Math 6010 - Assignment 10

Due November 13, 2023

- (1) Show that as class of languages P is closed under the following operations:
 - (a) union,
 - (b) concatenation.
 - (c) Kleene star,
 - (d) complement.
- (2) (a) Show that NP is closed under union, concatenation and Kleene star.
 - (b) It is not known whether NP is closed under complementation. Explain why the naive proof for this does not work.
- (3) Graphs G = (V, E) and H = (W, F) are isomorphic if there exists a bijection $f: V \to W$ such that for all $i, j \in V$: $(i, j) \in E$ iff $(f(i), f(j)) \in F$.

Show that

GraphIsomorphism := $\{(G, H) \mid G, H \text{ are isomorphic graphs}\}$ is in NP.

If you've seen groups in some algebra course, do (4); else do (5).

(4) Show that

Primes :=
$$\{n \mid n \text{ is a prime in binary}\}$$

is in NP.

Use the following fact: For n > 1, the multiplicative group $\mathbb{Z}_n^* := \{x \in \mathbb{Z}_n \mid x \text{ has a multiplicative inverse}\}$ is cyclic of order n-1 iff n is prime. Then obtain a witness for primality of n from the prime factors of n-1.

(5) A graph G = (V, E) is undirected if E is a symmetric relation. For $k \in \mathbb{N}$, a k-coloring of an undirected graph G is a function $f: V \to \{1, \ldots, k\}$ such that

$$\forall i, j \in V : (i, j) \in E \Rightarrow f(i) \neq f(j).$$

Hence vertices connected by an edge are assigned different colors.

Show that

2-coloring := $\{G \mid G \text{ is an undirected graph with a 2-coloring}\}$ is in P.