

Theoretical Computer Science

List of Problems

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Outline

Undecidable problems

NP-complete problems

Undecidable problems

Special Halting Problem

$$K = \{w \in \{0, 1\}^* \mid M_w[w] \downarrow\}$$

General Halting Problem

$$H = \{w \# x \mid w, x \in \{0, 1\}^* \wedge M_w[x] \downarrow\}$$

Halting Problem on an empty tape

$$H_0 = \{w \in \{0, 1\}^* \mid M_w[\epsilon] \downarrow\}$$

Post's Correspondence Problem (PCP)

given: finite sequence $(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_k, y_k)$ where $x_i, y_i \in \Sigma^+$

problem: is there a sequence of indices $i_1, \dots, i_n \in [k], n > 0$ such that $x_{i_1} \dots x_{i_n} = y_{i_1} \dots y_{i_n}$?

Undecidable problems

CFG problems

Let G, G_1, G_2 be CFGs.

- $L(G_1) \cap L(G_2) = \emptyset$?
- $|L(G_1) \cap L(G_2)| = \infty$?
- $L(G_1) \cap L(G_2)$ context-free?
- $L(G_1) \subseteq L(G_2)$?
- $L(G_1) = L(G_2)$?
- G ambiguous?
- G regular?
- G deterministic?
- for some regular expression α , $L(G) = L(\alpha)$?

NP-complete problems

SAT

given: propositional formula F

problem: is F satisfiable?+-

CNF-SAT

given: propositional formula F in k CNF for $k \geq 3$

problem: is F satisfiable?

NONEQUIVALENCE

given: two propositional formulas F_1, F_2

problem: is there an assignment \mathcal{A} such that $\mathcal{A}(F_1) \neq \mathcal{A}(F_2)$?

NP-complete problems

HAMILTON

given: undirected graph G

problem: does G have a Hamiltonian circuit (i.e. a circuit visiting every vertex exactly once)?

TRAVELLING SALESMAN (TSP)

given: matrix $(M_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}$ of *distances*, $k \in \mathbb{N}$

problem: is there a roundtrip (Hamiltonian circuit) of length $\leq k$?

NP-complete problems

COL

given: undirected graph G , $k \geq 3$

problem: is there a vertex coloring with k colors such that no two adjacent vertices are assigned the same color?

SETCOVER

given: $T_1, \dots, T_n \subseteq M$ with M finite, $k \in \mathbb{N}$

problem: is there $i_1, \dots, i_n \in [k]$ with $M = T_{i_1} \cup \dots \cup T_{i_n}$?

CLIQUE

given: undirected graph G , $k \in \mathbb{N}$

problem: does G have a clique of at least size k ?

NP-complete problems

KNAPSACK

given: $a_1, \dots, a_n, b \in \mathbb{N}$

problem: is there $R \subseteq [n]$ with $\sum_{i \in R} a_i = b$?

PARTITION

given: $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{N}$

problem: is there $I \subseteq [n]$ with $\sum_{i \in I} a_i = \sum_{i \notin I} a_i$?

BINPACKING

given: *can size* $b \in \mathbb{N}$, *# of cans* $k \in \mathbb{N}$, *objects* $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{N}$

problem: can each object be assigned to a can without any can overflowing?