

Exercise 1

Let A be a minimization problem on graphs.

Let kA be the language: $kA = \{G \mid A(G) \leq k\}$

(1) Prove that if there exists a poly-time (7) -approximation algorithm to A , then $\text{gap-}A[4, 28]$ is poly-time solvable.

(2) Prove that if $kA \in P$ for all k then $\text{gap-}A[4, 28]$ is poly-time solvable.

Exercise 2

IS - the optimization problem of finding $\frac{|\text{maximal independent set}|}{|V|}$

VC - the optimization problem of finding $\frac{|\text{minimal vertex cover}|}{|V|}$

Prove:

$\text{gap-IS}[\alpha, \beta]$ is poly-time solvable iff $\text{gap-VC}[1 - \beta, 1 - \alpha]$ is poly-time solvable.

Exercise 3

Define the complexity class C :

C is the class of all languages that can be verified by a TM that has:

- (a) Polynomial Work Tape
- (b) Exponential Witness Tape that must be read bit by bit without going back

Prove: $C = PSPACE$

Exercise 4

Given the string: $1^n \langle M \rangle$ (where $\langle M \rangle$ is the encoding of a poly-time TM) define the following graph:

$$\begin{aligned} G_M^n &= (V_M^n, E_M^n) \\ V_M^n &= \{0, 1\}^n \\ E_M^n &= \{(u, v) \mid (u, v) \in L_M\} \end{aligned}$$

(i.e. the edges are all the binary strings of length $2n$ accepted by M)

Prove: $CLIQUE - G_M^n \in NEXPTIME$

GOOD LUCK