

# CS46 Homework 10

This homework is due at 11:59PM on Thursday, May 6. This is a **7 point** homework. For this homework, you will work with a partner. It's ok to discuss approaches at a high level with other students, but most of your discussions should just be with your partner. Your partnership's write-up is your own: do not share it, and do not read other teams' write-ups. If you use any out-of-class references (anything except class notes, the textbook, or asking Joshua), then you **must** cite these in your post-homework survey. Please refer to the course webpage or ask me any questions you have about this policy.

**Note:** You must submit your solutions in a file named **hw10.tex**, and your submission must compile without errors using **pdflatex**. Any .pdf submissions will be ignored. Any .tex files not named hw10.tex, .tex files that don't compile, or not submitting a post-homework survey will earn up to a **-0.5** point deduction.

1. (Sipser 7.9) A **triangle** in a graph is three nodes that are all connected to each other by edges. Show that  $\text{TRIANGLE} \in \text{P}$ , where

$$\text{TRIANGLE} = \{\langle G \rangle \mid G \text{ contains a triangle}\}$$

2. **Closure properties.**

- (a) Prove that  $\text{P}$  is closed under concatenation.
- (b) Prove that  $\text{NP}$  is closed under union.

**Note:** Your proofs do not need to be completely formal. High-level descriptions will suffice as long as they are clear and rigorous.

3. Give polynomial-time verifiers for the following problems:

- (a) **THREE-COLOR.** Say a graph  $G$  is *three colorable* if the vertices of  $G$  can be colored using one of three colors (say, **RED**, **BLUE**, or **GREEN**) such that each edge has different-colored endpoints.

Let  $\text{THREE-COLOR} = \{\langle G \rangle \mid G \text{ is a three colorable graph}\}$ .

- (b) **FACTOR.** Let  $\text{FACTOR} = \{\langle N, k \rangle \mid N, k \text{ are written in binary and } N \text{ is divisible by } d \text{ for some } 1 < d \leq k\}$ .

4. **Closure properties. (extra credit)**

- (a) Prove that  $\text{P}$  is closed under complement.
- (b) Prove that  $\text{NP}$  is closed under concatenation.

5. **(extra credit)** Does  $\text{CONP} = \text{NP}$ ? Support your answer with a proof.