

# Computational Complexity

## Exam

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**Problem 1. (0.6 pt)** Consider the following problem:

INPUT: a directed graph  $G$  such that every vertex has at most one successor (i.e., in every vertex there starts at most one edge), and vertices  $s, t$ .

QUESTION: is there a path from  $s$  to  $t$  in  $G$ ?

Prove either that this problem is in L, or that it is NL-complete (under log-space reductions).

**Problem 2. (0.6 pt)** Prove that the following problem is NP-complete:

INPUT: a list of pairs of words  $(v_1, w_1), (v_2, w_2), \dots, (v_k, w_k)$ , and a word  $y$  of length  $m$ .

QUESTION: is there a list of indices  $i_1, \dots, i_m$  such that  $v_{i_1} v_{i_2} \dots v_{i_m} = w_{i_1} w_{i_2} \dots w_{i_m}$ ?

**Note.** The word  $y$  is irrelevant, only its length is important. By  $v_{i_1} v_{i_2} \dots v_{i_m}$  we mean the concatenation of the words  $v_{i_1}, v_{i_2}, \dots, v_{i_m}$ .

**Example.** For  $(v_1, w_1) = (ba, a)$ , and  $(v_2, w_2) = (a, ab)$ , and  $m = 2$  the answer is YES: we can take  $i_1 = 2, i_2 = 1$ , and the concatenated word is  $aba$ . For  $(v_1, w_1) = (ba, a)$ , and  $(v_2, w_2) = (a, ab)$ , and  $m = 1$  the answer is NO.

**Problem 3. (0.6 pt)** We say that  $L \in \text{RPSpace}$  if there exists a probabilistic Turing machine  $M$  such that:

- $M$  uses polynomial space;
- $M$  stops in exponential time;
- $\forall w \in L \ \mathbb{P}_r[M(x, r) = \text{YES}] \geq \frac{1}{2}$ ;
- $\forall w \notin L \ \mathbb{P}_r[M(x, r) = \text{YES}] = 0$ .

Prove or disprove:  $\text{RPSpace} = \text{PSpace}$ .