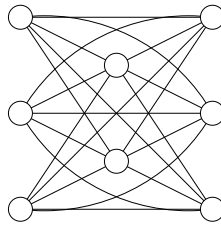


Disclaimer:

These are practice problems for the upcoming final exam. You will be given a sheet of notes for the exam. Also, go over your homework assignments. **Warning:** This does not necessarily reflect the length, difficulty, or coverage of the actual exam.

Problem 1 A graph is tripartite if the vertices can be partitioned into three sets so that there are no edges internal to any set. The *complete* tripartite graph, $K(a, b, c)$, has three sets of vertices with sizes a , b , and c and all possible edges between each pair of sets of vertices. $K(3, 2, 3)$ is pictured below. A *Hamiltonian* cycle in a graph is a cycle that traverses every vertex exactly once.



- For which values of n does $K(1, 1, n)$ have a Hamiltonian cycle.
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Problem 2 Let $G = (V, E)$ be an undirected graph. A *triangle* is a set of three vertices such that each pair has an edge.

- Give an efficient algorithm to find all of the triangles in a graph.
- How fast is your algorithm?

Problem 3 Show that you can convert a formula in Conjunctive Normal Form (CNF) where every clause has *at most three* literals, into a new formula where every clause has *exactly* three literals, so that the new formula is satisfiable if and only if the original formula is satisfiable. No variable may occur twice in the same clause.

Problem 4 A *vertex cover* in a graph $G = (V, E)$ is a subset of vertices such that every edge is incident on at least one vertex of the subset. The *Weighted Vertex Cover Problem* (WVCP) is, given a graph $G = (V, E)$ with integer weights on the vertices, find a vertex cover whose sum of weights is as small as possible. You can assume that the weights are between 1 and n (inclusive).

- WVCP is an optimization problem. Define a decision version of WVCP.
- Show that the decision version is in **NP**. Make sure to state the certificate and give the pseudo code.
- Show that if you could solve the optimization version in polynomial time that you could also solve the decision version in polynomial time.

- (d) Show that if you could solve the decision version in polynomial time that you could also solve the optimization version in polynomial time. HINT: First find the weight of an optimal weighted vertex cover.