

## Homework Assignment 3

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**Instructions:** Submit either in class (hard copy) or to Coursys (if scanned, make sure it is good quality).

**Question 1 (25 points)** In the UNIQUE-CLIQUE problem the input is a graph  $G = (V, E)$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . An algorithm is said to solve the UNIQUE-CLIQUE problem if it satisfies the following guarantees.

**YES case :** If  $G$  has a clique of size  $k$  and the maximum size clique is unique, the algorithm outputs YES.

**NO case :** If  $G$  has no clique of size  $k$ , the algorithm must output NO.

**Remark:** If  $G$  has a clique of size at least  $k$ , and has more than one clique of maximum size, the algorithm may output anything.

Show a randomized reduction from the MAX-CLIQUE problem to the UNIQUE-CLIQUE problem. That is, show a randomized polynomial time reduction (an algorithm) that gets a graph  $H$  and a parameter  $k' \in \mathbb{N}$ , and outputs a graph  $G$  and a parameter  $k$  and satisfies the following guarantees.

**YES case :** If  $H$  has a clique of size at least  $k'$ , then  $G$  has a clique of size at least  $k$ , and has a unique clique of maximum size with probability at least 0.9.

**NO case :** If  $H$  has no clique of size  $k'$ , then  $G$  has no clique of size  $k$ .

Conclude that if UNIQUE-CLIQUE can be solved in polynomial time, then the MAX-CLIQUE problem can be solved using a poly-time randomized algorithm.

(Hint: Use the isolation lemma.)

**Question 2 (25 points)** Solve the following linear problem. Prove that your solution is optimal by writing the dual LP, and showing a corresponding feasible solution for the dual LP.

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize}_{x,y,z \in \mathbb{R}} && 3x + 5y + 2z \\ & \text{subject to} && \begin{cases} x + 6y & \geq 1 \\ 2y + 2z & \geq 2 \\ x - 2y + 3z & \geq 2 \\ 2x - 2y + z & \geq 3 \\ x, y, z & \geq 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

**Question 3 (25 points)**

- Write an integer linear programming (ILP) formulation for the 3-coloring problem. (There is more than one way to write such an ILP. You may choose any formulation)
- Relax the ILP to LP, and show a graph that is not 3-colorable that has a feasible solution to your LP. (Note that this is a feasibility problem, and not an optimization problem)

(c) Write the Dual LP for the linear program in the previous item.

**Question 4 (25 points)** In the max-cut problem the input is a graph  $G = (V, E)$ , and the goal is to find a subset  $S \subseteq V$  that maximizes  $|\{(u, v) \in E : u \in S, v \notin S\}|$ .

(a) Write a CSP formulation for the MAX-CUT problem.

(b) Write the level-2 Sherali-Adams LP for the MAX-CUT problem. Specify explicitly the variables, the constraints, and the objective function.