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**Complexity Theory, Semester I 2019 - IIC3242**

**Homework 2**

Deadline: Tuesday, 30th April 2019 (anywhere on Earth)

## 1 Is SAT actually PTIME? [2 points]

Consider the following language, where  $k$  is an arbitrary natural number:

$$\text{k-SAT} = \{ \langle \varphi \rangle \mid \varphi \text{ is a valid formula with at most } k \text{ variables} \}.$$

Can you show that k-SAT is solvable in time  $O(n^m)$  for some natural number  $m$ ? Explain why or why not.

## 2 Isomorphic subgraphs [5 points]

Let  $G_1 = (V_1, E_1)$  and  $G_2 = (V_2, E_2)$  be two undirected graphs. We will say that  $G_1$  contains a subgraph  $H = (V_H, E_H)$  that is *isomorphic* to  $G_2$  if:

- $V_H \subseteq V_1$
- $E_H \subseteq E_1$
- $|V_H| = |V_2|$
- There exists a function  $f : V_2 \rightarrow V_H$  such that:
  - $f$  is injective
  - $\{v, v'\} \in E_2$  if and only if  $\{f(v), f(v')\} \in E_H$ .

We define the following language:

$$\text{SUBGRAPH ISOMORPHISM} = \{ \langle G_1, G_2 \rangle \mid G_1 \text{ contains a subgraph } H \text{ isomorphic to } G_2 \}.$$

Show that SUBGRAPH ISOMORPHISM is NP-complete.