Out: 04/17/08 Due: 05/01/08

Ground Rules

- (Grading) You will be graded on the correctness as well as clarity of your solutions. Please state and prove any assumptions or claims that you make.
- (Collaboration) You are allowed to discuss questions with other people in the class. However, you must solve and write your answers yourself without any help. You must also give explicit citations to any sources besides the textbook and class notes, including discussions with classmates.
- (Lateness) Late submissions do not get any credit.
- Start working on your homework early. Plan your work in such a way that you have the opportunity to put some problems on the back burner for a while and revisit them later. Good luck!

Problems

1. (10 pts) Let $FACT_7 = \{n | n \text{ has a prime factor that is } \equiv 7 \pmod{10} \}$. Prove that if $FACT_7$ is NP-complete, then NP = Co-NP. Note: this problem is not known to be in P.

(Hint: Prove that $FACT_7$ is in NP \cap Co-NP.)

- 2. **(10 pts)** Problem 7.26 in the book (pg. 297).
- 3. (12 pts) Consider the following problem: Given a Boolean circuit C, find the smallest circuit C' that computes the same Boolean function as C, where "smallest" refers to a lexicographic ordering of the description of the circuit.

Show that this problem can be solved in polynomial time if and only if P = NP.

- 4. (8 pts) Problem 8.11 in the book (pg. 330).
- 5. (10 pts) Give a deterministic algorithm that runs in logarithmic space to determine whether a given undirected graph has a cycle.