DM508 – Algorithms and Complexity – 2013 Lecture 4

Lecture, April 15

We covered the lower bound on median finding from section 3.5 in the DM508 notes. We began on NP-completeness, from chapter 34 in the textbook and the section by Papadimitriou and Steiglitz from the course notes, defining P and NP.

Lecture, April 17

We will continue with NP-Completeness, defining reductions (section 34.3 in the textbook) and showing that 3-SAT, CLIQUE, and HAMILTONIAN CIRCUIT are NP-Complete. problems. These reductions are in sections 34.4 and 34.5 in the textbook.

Lecture, April 22

We will cover Cook's Theorem, proving that SATISFIABILITY from the section by Papadimitriou and Steig litz from the course notes. We will also show that VERTEX COVER and INDEPENDENT SET are NP-Compete. This is in section 34.5 in the textbook.

Problems to be discussed on April 24

Do problems:

- 1. 34.5-4. (you may check on pages 1228–1129 for a hint, which is 1044–1045 in the second edition).
- 2. 34.5-5 (Warning: it is tempting to think that this one is completely trivial; it is not. Also, to make this easier, you may redefine the Set Partition problem to allow the same value appearing more than once), 34.5-6.
- 3. 34-2, 34-3.
- 4. 34-1a, 34-1b, 34-1c.

If not all problems are finished, the most important ones missed will be done later.