600.471 Theory of Computation

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Handout 8: Homework 4

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This assignment is due by the start of lecture on November 11.

1. (10 points) Answer each of the following with TRUE or FALSE. You do not need to justify your answers. (Note: when dealing with sets like O(f(n)), $\Omega(f(n))$, etc., we use the symbols = and \in interchangeably.)

1.
$$200 = O(n)$$

6.
$$\frac{1}{6} = o(1)$$

2.
$$n^{8/3} = O(n^2 \log^2(n))$$

7.
$$n - log_2(n) = \Theta(n)$$

3.
$$3^n = 2^{O(n)}$$

8.
$$log(n) = \Theta(log(log(n)))$$

4.
$$n^n = O(n!)$$

9.
$$n^5 = \Omega(32^{\log_2(n)})$$

5.
$$2n = o(n^2)$$

10.
$$2^{5^n} = \Omega(5^{2^n})$$

- 2. (15 points) Prove that P is closed under any two of the following operations (clearly state which two you are proving!):
 - (a) union,
 - (b) intersection,
 - (c) complement,
 - (d) concatenation.

P is also closed under the star operation.

- 3. (15 points) Prove that NP is closed under any two of the following operations (clearly state which two you are proving!):
 - (a) union,
 - (b) intersection,
 - (c) concatenation.

NP is also closed under star, but it is not known if NP is closed under complement.

- 4. (20 points) (Sipser 7.27) [3COLOR is NP-complete]
- 5. (20 points) (Sipser 7.29) [A scheduling problem]
- 6. (20 points) (Sipser 7.36) [finding a satisfying assignment if P = NP]