

Computer Science 3711
(Winter 2003):
Handout:
Computational Problems

VERTEX COVER (VC)

Input: An undirected graph $G = (V, E)$ and an integer $k > 0$.

Question: Is there a vertex cover of G of size at most k , i.e., is there a subset $V' \subseteq V$ such that $|V'| \leq k$ and for all edges $(u, v) \in E$, at least one of u and v is in V' ?

VERTEX COVER COST (VC-C)

Input: An undirected graph $G = (V, E)$.

Output: The size of the smallest vertex cover of G .

VERTEX COVER EXAMPLE (VC-E)

Input: An undirected graph $G = (V, E)$.

Output: One of the smallest vertex covers of G .

CLIQUE

Input: An undirected graph $G = (V, E)$ and an integer $k > 0$.

Question: Is there a clique in G of size at least k , *i.e.*, is there a subset $V' \subseteq V$, $|V'| \geq k$, such that for all $u, v \in V'$, $(u, v) \in E$?

SUBSET SUM (SS)

Input: A set $S \subset \mathcal{N}$ of integers and an integer $k \geq 0$.

Question: Is there a subset S' of S whose elements sum to k ?

STEINER TREE IN GRAPHS (STG)

Input: An undirected graph $G = (V, E)$, a set $V' \subseteq V$, and an integer $k > 0$.

QUESTION: Is there a tree in G that connects all vertices in V' and contains at most k edges?