

Theory of Computation

Homework 4

Due: 2008/05/22

Problem 1. Show that if $\text{NP} \neq \text{coNP}$, then $\text{NP} \neq \text{NL}$. (Hint: The Immerman-Szelepcényi theorem implies $\text{NL} = \text{coNL}$.)

Problem 2. Let k be a positive integer which is not a multiple of 13. Show that if $k^5 = 1 \pmod{13}$, then $k = 1 \pmod{13}$. (Hint: Fermat's little theorem implies $k^{12} = 1 \pmod{13}$.)