

### COMPLEXITY: Exercise No. 3

due next week

1. Prove that for any  $f(n)$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\mathbf{SPACE}(f(n)) \subseteq \mathbf{SPACE}(\epsilon f(n))$ .
2. Show that a language decided by a  $k$ -tape NDTM operating within time  $f(n)$  can be decided by a 2-tape NDTM in time  $f(n)$  (Assume that  $f(n)$  is a complexity function which can be computed by a 2-tape DTM in time  $O(f(n))$ , and that  $f(n) = \omega(n)$ ).
3. a. For a language  $L$  define  $L^* = \{x_1x_2 \cdots x_k : k \geq 0, x_1, \dots, x_k \in L\}$ . Show that if  $L \in \mathbf{NP}$  then  $L^* \in \mathbf{NP}$ .  
b. Show that if  $L \in \mathbf{P}$  then  $L^* \in \mathbf{P}$ .
4. a. Show that if  $f, g$  are proper complexity function then so are  $f + g, f \cdot g, 2^g$  and  $f(g)$  (for the last part, assume  $f(n) \geq n$ ).  
b. Show that  $\lceil \log n \rceil, n!$  and  $\lceil n^{1/3} \rceil$  are proper complexity functions.
5. (Test 98) Prove or disprove: If  $f, g$  are proper functions, each can be computed in  $O(2^n)$  time, then  $h = f \cdot g$  (i.e.,  $h(x) = f(g(x))$ ) can be computed in  $O(2^n)$  time.