CS 487 – Assignment 8

- 1. Read the description of Generalized Geography and the proof of its PSPACE-completeness in Sipser, pages 289–293. Consider the modified problem GG-edge which is the same as Generalized Geography except that players are allowed to repeat vertices but they cannot repeat edges. Show that GG-edge is also PSPACE-complete.
- 2. Not all games are PSPACE-complete. Show that HAPPY-CAT, as described in Sipser, problem 8.15, page 303, is in P.
- 3. Let $s_1(n)$ and $s_2(n)$ be space-computable functions such that $s_1(n) = o(s_2(n))$. Show that

 $NSPACE(s_1(n)) \subsetneq NSPACE(s_2(n)).$

Hint: Use the fact, which we proved in class, that NSPACE(s(n)) = co-NSPACE(s(n)) for all s(n).

4. Show that $P \neq DSPACE(n^2)$. Note that it is open whether $P \subseteq DSPACE(n^2)$ and whether $DSPACE(n^2) \subseteq P$ but you need to show that both possibilities cannot be true.