

CS579: Computational Complexity: Lecture 5 22/25

admin: - ps 1 due 01.31 @ 3:30pm I email to course staff ✓  
 - Sanders office hours - cancelled tomorrow (pizza arrived) ✓  
 - rescheduled to today 6-8pm SC3303

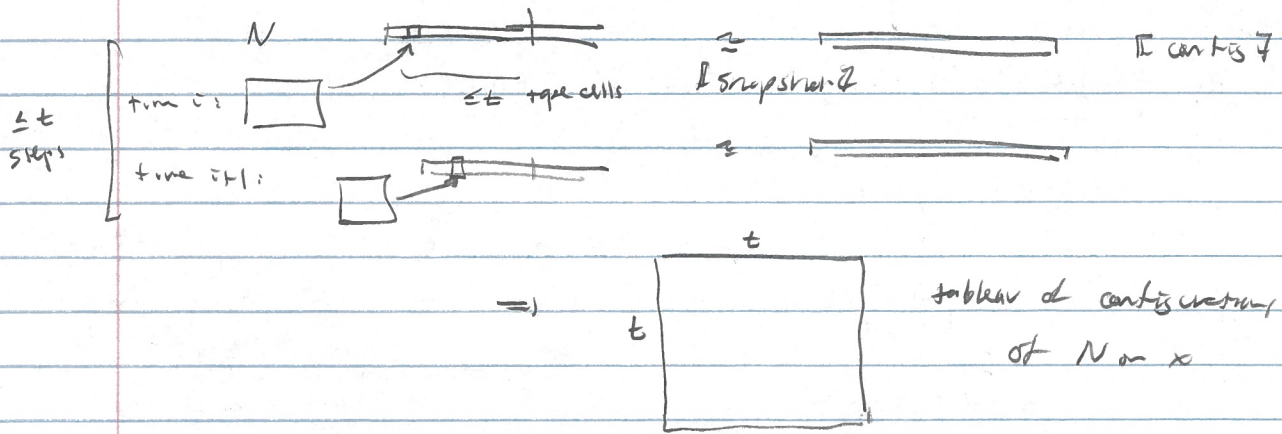
best time: - reducibility  
 - NP completeness  
 - 3SAT ≤ CLIQUE

today - Cook Levin Thm: NP = PSPACE  
 thm [Cook 71, Levin 73]: - 3SAT is NP-complete

- 3SAT ∈ NP [easy] ✓  
 -  $\forall A \in NP \exists \phi \in 3SAT \text{ s.t. } A \in P \iff \phi \in NP$  [today] ✓

plan:  
 1.  $A \in NP \iff \exists \phi \in 3SAT$  [most of ideas]  
 2.  $\exists \phi \in 3SAT \iff A \in NP$  [by modification]

idea: A is NP, decided by NTM N time  $t(n) \in poly(n)$  [such NTM exists] ✓  
 $f: x \in \Sigma^* \mapsto \phi_x$   
 $x \in A \iff \phi_x \in 3SAT$   
 ↳ will simulate N on x  
 "says" "some branch of N accepts x"  
 vars y of  $\phi_x$  encode branch



def: NTM N - states  $Q$   
 - tape alphabet  $\Gamma$  [assume disjoint] ✓

a configuration is a string over  $C := Q \cup \Gamma^* \cup \{ \sqcup \}$   
 -  $\sqcup$  appears only in first/last position (contains 'L')  
 - exactly one symbol of  $Q$  appears (state of NTM)  
 - position of head to the right (end markers)

ex. NTM  $N$  on  $\Sigma$  has starting configuration  $\# \underbrace{q_1 \dots q_n}_{t-n} \#$

$\Rightarrow$  TM uses  $t$  cells  $\Rightarrow$  config has  $t+3$  symbols  $\{ \text{head} = \sqcup, \text{boundary} = \# \}$   
 def. a tableau of  $N$  is a sequence of  $t$  configurations of length  $t+3$   $\subseteq \Sigma \times (Q \cup \{ \sqcup, \# \})^2$  matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \end{bmatrix}$

- an accepting tableau has  $t$  configs
- row  $i =$  config of  $i$ th step of  $N$  on  $x$
  - row 1  $\Rightarrow$  initialization
  - row  $i$  non-deterministically follows row  $i-1$
  - last row is accepting config  $\leftarrow$  has  $\sqcup$

Q: if  $N$  halts early?

A: configs freeze on halting

Claim: NTM  $N$  accepts  $x$  in  $\leq t$  steps  $\iff \exists$  accepting tableau size  $t \times (t+3)$

PF: by defn.

from  $\leq t \Rightarrow \leq t$  rows  
 $\leq t \Rightarrow \leq t+3$  cols

Q: what is  $t(n)$ ?

Can it might be complicated, need to construct it?

Can it technical lem?

$\exists c, t(n) \leq O(n^c) \Rightarrow \exists d, s + \forall n, t(n) \leq n^d + d$

PF:  $\Rightarrow \exists n_0, c_0 \in \mathbb{N} \forall n \geq n_0, t(n) \leq c_0 n^c$

$n_1 := \max\{n_0, c_0\}$

$\Rightarrow \exists n_1 \forall n \geq n_1, t(n) \leq c_0 n^c \leq n_1 \cdot n^c \leq n^{c+1}$

$c_1 := \max_{n \geq n_1} t(n) \Rightarrow \forall n \geq n_1, t(n) \leq c_1 \leq n^{c+1} + c_1$   
 $\exists n_2 \in n^{c+1} \leq n^{c+1} + c_1$

$d = \max\{c+1, c_1\} \forall n \in n^d + d$

PF of Cook Lemma: If NP accepted by NTM  $N$  - runs in time  $t(n) = n^c + c$

- states  $Q$
- tape  $\Gamma$

plan. NTM  $N$  acc  $x$  iff NTM  $N$  acc  $x$  in  $t(n)$  steps  
 iff  $\exists$  tableau, via some branch

iff exists  $t \times (t+3)$  size accepting tableau

iff  $\exists x$  has satisfying assignment  $\rightarrow$  says  $x$   
 need to construct (drop  $x$  now)

$\phi = \text{vars } \gamma_{i,j}, a \text{ over } \{0,1\} \quad (1 \leq i, j \leq t, a \in \{0,1\} \cup \{\#\})$   
 $\text{next} = 1 \text{ if cell } [i,j] = a \text{ in table} =: C$

$\phi = \phi_{\text{cell}} \wedge \phi_{\text{start}} \wedge \phi_{\text{accept}} \wedge \phi_{\text{move}}$   
 $\begin{matrix} \text{each} & \text{start} & \text{accept} & \text{transition} \\ \text{cell} & \text{correctly} & \text{correctly} & \text{correctly} \\ \text{well} & & & \\ \text{defined} & & & \end{matrix}$   
 $\text{most} \rightarrow \text{necessary}$

$$\phi_{\text{cell}} = \bigwedge_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq t \\ 1 \leq j \leq t}} \left( \underbrace{\left( \bigvee_{a \in C} \gamma_{i,j,a} \right)}_{\geq 1 \text{ symbol chosen}} \wedge \underbrace{\left( \overline{\gamma_{i,j,a}} \vee \overline{\gamma_{i,j,b}} \right)}_{\leq 1 \text{ symbol chosen}} \right)$$

$\Rightarrow = 1 \text{ symbol per cell}$

$\text{note: is CNF } \& C_1 \wedge \dots \wedge C_k \text{ (} \bigvee \text{ is } \vee \text{ in } \bigvee \text{)} \text{)$

$$\phi_{\text{start}} := \gamma_{1,1,\#} \wedge \gamma_{1,2,q_0} \wedge \gamma_{1,3,x_1} \wedge \gamma_{1,4,x_2} \wedge \dots \wedge \gamma_{1,(n+2),x_n} \wedge \gamma_{1,(n+3),\#} \dots \wedge \gamma_{1,(t+2),\#} \wedge \gamma_{1,(t+3),\#}$$

$\text{note: is CNF}$

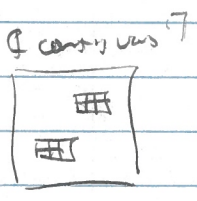
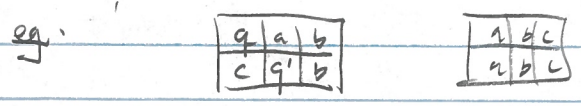
$$\phi_{\text{acc}} := \bigvee_{1 \leq j \leq t+3} \gamma_{t,j,q_{\text{acc}}}$$

$\text{note is CNF}$

$\phi_{\text{move}} := \text{each row follows legally from previous row}$

- = # stay #
- if cell is not rewritten by head, stays same
- if is " , is properly rewritten
- if head moves, does correctly

= every 2x3 window of table is valid



eg not: 

a	b	c
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 If no head

$$\phi_{\text{move}} = \bigwedge_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq t-1 \\ 1 \leq j \leq t+1}} \left( \underbrace{\text{2x3 window starting at } (i,j)}_{\text{is valid}} \right)$$

$$= \bigvee_{\text{legal}} \left( \gamma_{i,j,a} \wedge \gamma_{i,j,b} \wedge \gamma_{i,j,c} \wedge \dots \wedge \gamma_{i+1,j+2,t} \right)$$

$\text{note: is not a CNF, but can be made into one by distribution law}$

$$a \vee (b \wedge c) = (a \vee b) \wedge (a \vee c)$$

