

HONORS ALGORITHMS

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p1

Boolean circuit

gates, wires

$1, v$ $\neg$

: digraph

DAG

input gates

x_i $\bar{x}_i$

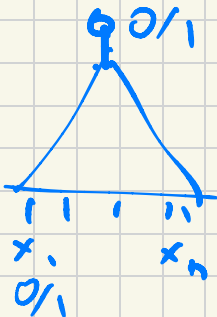
literals

Decision problem:

input $\underline{x} = (x_1 \dots x_n)$

satisfying assignment
satisfies the

circuit C if $C(x_1 \dots x_n) = 1$



Q: Given C

$\exists? \underline{x} \quad C(\underline{x}) = 1$

SAT

satisfiability
problem

Given a graph G

is it 3-colorable

i.e. $\chi(G) \leq 3$

3COL

3COL $\leq$ SAT

└ reduction

Karp reduction:

$f: \{\text{graphs}\} \rightarrow \text{Boolean circuits}$

input to
3COL

(set of 3-colorable
graphs)

input to
SAT

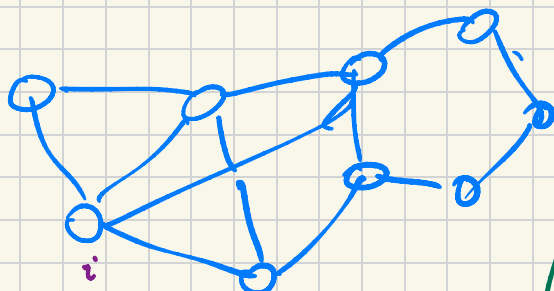
(set of satisfiable
Boolean ckt's)

s.t.

① f is poly-time computable

② $(\forall G) (G \in \text{3COL} \iff f(G) \in \text{SAT})$

colors
R G B



$$G \in 3COL \iff F \in SAT$$

$x_{it} = 1$ if i is RED
 $x_{i2} = 1$ if i is GREEN
 $x_{i3} = 1$ if i is BLUE

Clauses

$$\overline{x_{it}} \vee \overline{x_{is}}$$

each vertex has exactly one color

$$t, s \in [3] \quad \overline{x_{it} = 1 \Rightarrow x_{is} = 0} \quad s \neq t$$

$$\neg(x_{i1} = x_{i2} = x_{i3} = 0)$$

$$x_{i1} \vee x_{i2} \vee x_{i3}$$

Clauses

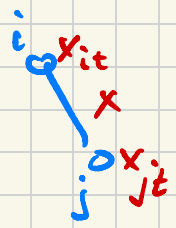
$t \in [3]$ if $i \sim j$ and $x_{it} = 1$ then $x_{jt} = 0$

$$A \rightarrow B \text{ means } \neg A \vee B$$

$$x_{it} \rightarrow \neg x_{jt}$$

$$\overline{x_{it}} \vee \overline{x_{jt}}$$

Clauses



$$F = \bigwedge \text{Clauses}$$

$F(x_{it} \mid i \in [n], t \in [3])$: CNF circuit

Σ finite alphabet

Σ^* set of all finite ^{words} strings from Σ

$$\Sigma = \{A, B, X\}$$

$$ABBBXAXXX \in \Sigma^*$$

Language: $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$

Computing a language L

means

given $x \in \Sigma^*$

decide $x \stackrel{?}{\in} L$

} solving this
decision
problem

membership
problem

P : set of languages

computable in polynomial time

example: $DIV = \{(x, y) \mid x, y \in \mathbb{Z}, x \mid y\}$

integer
is matrix multiplication in P ? divisor $\uparrow$

[multiplication of integer matrices
can be performed in poly time

✓ p5

$k \times k$ matrices : product computable
by $O(k^3)$ arithm. operations

if max bitlength of entries is l

then we work with numbers
of bitlength $\leq l$ for multiple
 $\leq 2l$ for addition

NOT in P

b/c NOT a DECISION PROBLEM

b/c has a multi-bit output

decision problem about Σ^* :

predicate on Σ^* : $f: \Sigma^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}$

PRIMALITY : given $x \in \mathbb{N}$ is it a prime?

Thm PRIMALITY IN P

Agrawal
Kayal
Saxena

identification

languages $\leftrightarrow$ decision problems
(predicates)

given lang $L \rightarrow$ decision probl. f

$$L \subseteq \Sigma^*$$

$$\forall x \in \Sigma^* \quad f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in L \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in \Sigma^* \setminus L \end{cases}$$

($x \notin L$)

inverse:

given decision problem $f \rightarrow$ language L

$$L = f^{-1}(1)$$

$$= \{x \in \Sigma^* \mid f(x) = 1\}$$

$\mathcal{P}$ is a class of languages

non deterministic polynomial time
NP : class of languages

random guess, divine inspiration

examples:

SAT $\in$ NP

3COL $\in$ NP

COMPOSITE NUMBERS $\in$ NP

FACT $\in$ NP (decision version of factoring)

feasibility of generalized SUDOKU $\in$ NP

puzzle x

purported solution y

← "witness"

verifiable in poly time