

# Homework 20

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## 1 Problem 32

### 1.1 Part a

Prove  $IP' = IP$

Let  $L$  be an arbitrary language in  $IP'$ .

$\exists$  BPP verifier

$\exists$  probabilistic prover

The prover-verifier protocol is run, with the end result having the verifier accepting or rejecting if the prover's strategy is correct or not. Instead of halting here, run the protocol a polynomial number of times and output the majority (i.e. boost the result to near-certainty).

This runs in a polynomial number of steps, thus it runs in polynomial time. Therefore,  $L \in IP$ .

This is true for all languages in  $IP'$ , therefore  $IP' = IP$ .

### 1.2 Part b

Prove  $IP \subseteq PSPACE$ .

The Prover may use unbounded computational power to prove the string is in the language. However, there exists some optimal prover for a given verifier  $V$ , which we can find in polynomial space.

To find the optimal prover, recursively iterate over all possible communications between the prover and the verifier. We will use the best  $P$  such that  $V$  will accept iff  $P$  can prove  $x$  is in the language.

To recursively iterate over all communications, do a depth-first search to find the best path that yields an accept result. Since by definition of  $IP$ , there are a polynomial number of questions from the verifier, there is a polynomial depth to this tree. The size of the resulting path would be polynomial, since the path itself would have values on the order of exponential.

As a result, the prover can be polynomial size, therefore  $IP \subseteq PSPACE$ .

### 1.3 Part c

Prove  $IP' = IP$

Let  $L$  be an arbitrary language in  $IP'$ . The probability a TM that decides  $L$  accepts if  $x \in L = 1$ , which is greater than  $\frac{2}{3}$ . Thus,  $L \in IP$ .

Let  $L$  be an arbitrary language in  $IP$ . Boost the TM that decides  $L$  to drive the probability it is correct if  $x \in L$  to  $1 - \frac{1}{4^n}$ . Then, use the strategy from the proof that  $BPP \in \Sigma_2^P$  to marry  $k$  results from that TM. There must exist some sequence of weddings such that the result will always be correct if  $x \in L$ .

Thus,  $L \in IP'$ . Therefore,  $IP' = IP$ .

### 1.4 Part d

Prove  $IP' = IP$

Let  $L$  be an arbitrary language in  $NP$ . The probability a TM that decides  $L$  is correct is 1, which is greater than the probabilities of  $IP'$ . Therefore,  $L \in IP'$ .

Let  $L$  be an arbitrary language in  $IP'$ . Boost the TM that decides  $L$  to drive the probability it is correct when  $x \in L$  from  $\frac{2}{3}$  to  $1 - \frac{1}{4^n}$ . Do the marriage strategy like in Part c, to make certain the result is correct.

Thus,  $L \in NP$ . Therefore,  $IP' = NP$ .

## 2 Problem 33

If for every  $x \in L$  there exists a prover, then we can find that prover when that  $x$  occurs. We can construct a prover  $P$  which includes all of those provers, which will satisfy all strings  $x \in L$ .

## 3 Problem 34

Prove  $AM = BP.NP$

Prove  $AM \subseteq BP.NP$

The  $AM$  protocol states  $V$  sends random bits to  $M$ , which then sends an advice string which  $V$  should use to accept or reject. The probability  $V$  accepts is  $\geq \frac{2}{3}$  if  $x \in L$  and  $\leq \frac{1}{3}$  if  $x \notin L$ .

With these values  $r$ , the random question, and  $x$ , the input, there exists some function which is the randomized reduction from the language to  $3SAT$ . If  $x \in L$ , then the probability the randomized reduction is in  $3SAT$  is  $\geq \frac{2}{3}$ , otherwise it is  $\leq \frac{1}{3}$ .

Therefore,  $AM \subseteq BP.NP$ .

Prove  $BP.NP \subseteq AM$

There exists some function which constructs a randomized reduction from  $L$  to  $3SAT$ .  $V$  sends a random message to  $M$ , which  $M$  then uses to construct a

valid randomized reduction from L to 3SAT. If the reduction is actually valid, V accepts with probability  $\geq \frac{2}{3}$ , otherwise it accepts with probability  $\leq \frac{1}{3}$ .

Therefore,  $\text{BP.NP} \subseteq \text{AM}$ .

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