

# Homework 11

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## 1 Problem 16

“Show that if there is a log space Turing machine  $S$  that accepts  $B$ , then there is a log space Turing Machine  $U$  that accepts  $A$ .”

There is a TM  $T$  which its output is in  $B$  iff  $x \in A$ . If there is a log space TM  $S$  that accepts  $B$ , then we can construct a TM  $U$  that accepts  $A$ :

$U$  inputs  $x$ , and it must run  $T$  on  $x$  to get its output, which is the input to  $S$  to decide if it is in  $B$ . If it is in  $B$ , then  $x$  is in  $A$ .

We can simulate  $T$  on  $x$  until it outputs its first symbol, which is then fed into  $S$ .  $T$  maintains its work tape, along with its current output, on the work tape of  $U$ . Once  $T$  has output its first symbol,  $S$  is simulated until it requires another output symbol of  $T$ . This required symbol's index  $i$  is stored on the work tape of  $U$ , along with the work of  $S$ .  $U$  then simulates  $T$  until it reaches its  $i$ th output, which is stored on the work tape.  $S$  is then simulated from where it left off until it requires another output of  $T$ , where the process is then repeated.  $U$  continues this process until  $S$  either accepts or rejects, which  $U$  will then accept or reject, respectively.

$U$  has a work tape which stores the individual work tapes of  $S$  and  $T$ . It also has to store the state of  $S$  when it runs  $T$  such that it can continue  $S$  later, along with the  $i$ th output of  $T$ . In total, the work tape of  $U$  uses  $2 * \log(x) + c$  where  $c$  is the constants which are the state of  $S$  and the  $i$ th output of  $T$ .

Therefore, if there is a log space TM  $S$  that accepts  $B$ , there exists a log space TM  $U$  that accepts  $A$ .

## 2 Problem 17

### 2.1 Part a

“Define a language  $C$ , and show that  $C$  is complete for EXPSPACE under polynomial time reductions.”

$$C = \{(M, I, 2^{n^k}) \mid M \text{ accepts } I \text{ in space } 2^{n^k}\}$$

$C$  is complete for EXPSPACE under polynomial time reductions.

1)  $C \in \text{EXPSPACE}$

There exists a TM  $N(\text{TM } M, \text{input } I, 2^{n^k})$  that decides  $C$ :

Run  $M$  on  $I$  for  $2^{n^k}$  steps

If  $M$  accepted or rejected, accept or reject respectively

Otherwise, reject

$N$  decides  $C$  in  $\text{EXPSPACE}$ , therefore  $C \in \text{EXPSPACE}$ .

2)  $\forall L \in \text{EXPSPACE}, L \leq_p C$

Let  $L \in \text{EXPSPACE}$

$\exists$  TM  $M$ , integer  $k \mid M$  accepts  $x$  iff  $x \in L$ ,  $M$  on  $x$  uses space  $\leq 2^{|x|^k}$ .

$\exists$  TM  $A$  which constructs input  $(M, I, 2^{|x|^k})$  and runs a decider for  $C$  on it. If the decider accepts,  $A$  accepts; otherwise it rejects.

$M$  and  $I$  can be constructed in polynomial time.  $2^{n^k}$  can be encoded using polynomial space in polynomial time.

## 2.2 Part b

“Define a language  $C$ , and show that  $C$  is complete for  $\text{EXPSPACE}$  under polynomial time reductions.”

$$C = \{(M, I, 1^{c^{n^k}}) \mid M \text{ accepts } I \text{ in space } c^{n^k}\}$$

$C$  is complete for  $\text{EXPSPACE}$  under polynomial time reductions.

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There exists a TM  $N(\text{TM } M, \text{input } I, c^{n^k})$  that decides  $C$ :

Run  $M$  on  $I$  for  $c^{n^k}$  steps

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$\exists$  TM  $M$ , integer  $k \mid M$  accepts  $x$  iff  $x \in L$ ,  $M$  on  $x$  uses space  $\leq c^{|x|^k}$ .

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$M$  and  $I$  can be constructed in polynomial time.  $c^{n^k}$  can be encoded using polynomial space in polynomial time.