Homework 22

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1 Problem 36

Show that MAM is a subset of AM.

Consider an MAM protocol. The soundness error for this protocol is $\leq \frac{1}{3}$. Merlin sends a message, π , to Arthur, who then flips a coin to decide whether $x \in L$. The probability Arthur accepts if $x \notin L$ is $\leq \frac{1}{3}$. By using the known error reduction technique, Arthur can flip m+1 coins and decide if any of them would make him reject. The probability Merlin fools Arthur is $\leq \frac{1}{3^{m+1}}$.

Consider switching the protocol such that Arthur sends his random coin flips to Merlin before Merlin sends his message. Merlin can choose up to m different messages to send. For any given π Merlin chooses, the probability it will fool Arthur is $\leq \frac{1}{3^{m+1}}$. By using the union bound, the probability Merlin can choose a π which fools Arthur for all of his coin flips is $\leq \frac{1}{3}$. Therefore, this new AMM protocol is still sound.

Since an AMM protocol is equivalent to an AM protocol where both M messages are sent at once, this MAM protocol can be converted into an AM protocol. Therefore, $MAM \subseteq AM$.

2 Problem 37

2.1 Part a

First consider the protocol without linearization.

2.1.1 i

What is the integer S and polynomial s(x) that Merlin sends in the first round?

$$\begin{split} & S = 2. \\ & s(x) = \Pi_{y=0}^{1} \Sigma_{z=0}^{1} P(x, y, z) \\ & = \Sigma_{z=0}^{1} P(x, 0, z) * P(x, 1, z) \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} &= P(x,0,0)*P(x,1,0) + P(x,0,1)*P(x,1,1) \\ &= ((1-(1-x)*1*0)*(1-x*0*1))*((1-(1-x)*0*0)*(1-(1-x)*1*1)) + \\ &((1-(1-x)*1*1)*(1-x*0*0))*((1-(1-x)*0*1)*(1-(1-x)*1*0)) \\ &= (1*1)*(1*(1-(1-x))) + ((1-(1-x))*1)*(1*1) \\ &= (1)*(x) + (x)*1 \\ &= 2x \end{split}$$

2.1.2 ii

What is the polynomial that Merlin sends in his second message to Arthur?

$$\begin{split} s(r) &= \Pi_{y=0}^1 \Sigma_{z=0}^1 P(r,y,z) \\ q(y) &= \Sigma_{z=0}^1 P(r,y,z) \\ &= P(r,y,0) + P(r,y,1) \\ &= (1 - (1-r)*(1-y)*0)*(1-r*y*1) + (1-(1-r)*(1-y)*1)*(1-r*y*0) \\ &= (1)*(1-r*y) + (1-(1-r)*(1-y))*(1) \\ &= (1-r*y) + (1-(1-r)*(1-y)) \\ &= (1-\frac{1}{3}*y) + (1-(1-\frac{1}{3})*(1-y)) \\ &= 1-\frac{1}{3}*y + (1-\frac{2}{3}*(1-y)) \\ &= 1-\frac{1}{3}*y + \frac{4}{3} \end{split}$$

2.1.3 iii

Arthur checks this second polynomial to see if it has some property, what property is this?

Whether q(0) * q(1) = s(r) (if not, reject; otherwise continue)

2.2 Part b

Now consider the protocol with linearization.

2.2.1 i

What is the integer S and polynomial s(x) that Merlin sends in the first round?

$$\begin{split} &\mathbf{S} = 2. \\ &s(x) = \Pi_{y=0}^{1} \Sigma_{z=0}^{1} P(x,y,z) \\ &= \Sigma_{z=0}^{1} P(x,0,z) * P(x,1,z) \\ &= P(x,0,0) * P(x,1,0) + P(x,0,1) * P(x,1,1) \\ &= ((1-(1-x)*1*0)*(1-x*0*1))*((1-(1-x)*0*0)*(1-(1-x)*1*1)) + ((1-(1-x)*1*1)*(1-x*0*0))*((1-(1-x)*0*1)*(1-(1-x)*1*0)) \\ &= (1*1)*(1*(1-(1-x))) + ((1-(1-x))*1)*(1*1) \\ &= (1)*(x) + (x)*1 \\ &= 2x \\ &= x \end{split}$$

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2.2.3 iii

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