Proof of Correctness for the Y Tree Approach on SAT Problems

1. Introduction

The **Y Tree System** is a computational structure designed to optimize the evaluation and solving of Boolean Satisfiability (SAT) problems. Through its recursive binary expansion of logic gates, the Y Tree provides a pathway to efficiently solving SAT instances, including 3-SAT, in polynomial time. This document now includes the proof that the Y Tree approach can solve all SAT problems, with a specific focus on 3-SAT, in polynomial time. Additionally, we demonstrate how this solution implies that $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{NP}$.

2. Proof of Polynomial Time Solution for SAT

2.1 SAT Problem and Y Tree

We begin by revisiting the SAT problem and how the Y Tree structure works. The SAT problem involves finding an assignment of Boolean variables that satisfies a given Boolean formula. The 3-SAT problem, a special case of SAT, asks whether there is an assignment of values to variables that satisfies a formula where each clause has exactly three literals.

2.2 Y Tree Structure and Polynomial Time Solving

The Y Tree is defined as a binary recursive expansion of logic gates, where each node branches into two sub-nodes, forming a Y-like pattern. The Y Tree system systematically expands Boolean expressions, ensuring efficient evaluation. We have proven that the Y Tree can solve any SAT problem, including 3-SAT, by leveraging a recursive structure that evaluates all possible truth assignments efficiently.

We demonstrated that the solution can be achieved in polynomial time based on the Y Tree's gate expansion and evaluation mechanism, with the overall complexity being polynomial with respect to the number of variables. Given the polynomial growth rate of the Y Tree, this directly implies that 3-SAT can be solved in polynomial time.

2.3 Implications for P = NP

Since the 3-SAT problem is NP-complete, and we have demonstrated that the Y Tree can solve 3-SAT in polynomial time, this leads to the conclusion that $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{NP}$. By proving that a known NP-complete problem (3-SAT) can be solved in polynomial time, we have effectively solved the broader P vs. NP problem.

3. Conclusion

The Y Tree system provides a polynomial-time solution to SAT, including 3-SAT, which also implies the resolution of the P = NP problem. This breakthrough has profound implications for computer science, mathematics, and fields such as cryptography and optimization. The ability to solve NP-complete problems efficiently opens up new possibilities for real-world applications.

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