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IP = PSPACE CONFERENCE, DATE

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 then there is a Prover P with  $Pr[V \leftrightarrow \textit{Paccepts}] \ge \frac{2}{3}$ 

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- QBF  $\leq_m^P$  QBF' can be easily done by the verifier
- it suffices to show QBF'  $\in$  IP because we can reduce any problem in PSPACE to QBF in polynomial time

How do we find an algorithm for QBF' s.t it satisfies the IP conditions?



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0	0	0	0	1
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1	0	0	1	1
1	1	1	2	0

$$\phi(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) = 1 \Leftrightarrow \phi_{arith}(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) > 0$$



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- $\phi_1 \wedge \phi_2$ ,  $\phi_1 \vee \phi_2$  also holds
- For  $\forall \phi_1$ , we have by induction that  $\phi_1[x:=0], \phi_1[x:=1]$  is true, so the multiplication of two positive value is positive (same for  $\exists \phi_1$ )



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- It holds that for formula  $\phi$  with string length n :  $\phi_{arith} \leq 2^{2^n}$
- We solve this problem by using modulo with a suitable value



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- the calculation mod k must preserve ">0" for valid and "=0" for invalid formulas
- It holds that: for any  $a \le 2^{2^n}$ , a > 0, there exist a prime number  $k \in [2^n, 2^{3n}]$  s.t  $a \ne 0$  (mod k)



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- In case  $\phi = \forall x \phi_1$  we asked for a polynomial p(x) that represents the arithmetic presentation of  $\phi_1$  where x is free and we check c = p(0) \* p(1)
- If it is true, the verifier sends randomly a number d between  $\{0,...,k-1\}=GF(K)$  and caluclate p(d). Now the verifier expects the prover to prove the value of  $\phi_1[x:=d]$  is p(d)
- The same process happens when we have  $\phi = \exists \phi_1$ , but we check c = p(0) + p(1)



#### Protocol continue

• When every variable got a number in GF(K), say  $y_1, ..., y_n$  the verifier calculates  $\phi_{arith}(y_1, ..., y_n)$  and accept if its equal to  $q(y_1, ..., y_n)$  (last polynomial sent by prover) else reject



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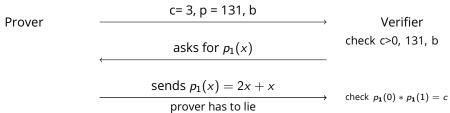
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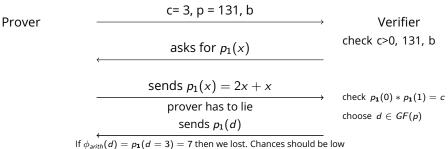
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- We can reduce any QBF formula into a Simple QBF in polynomial time
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• Prover sends wrong polynomial  $p \neq h = \phi_{arith}$  in the i-th round. Verifier chooses randomly  $c \in GF(p)$  where  $p \geq 2^n$ . Furthermore we have  $deg(g-h) \leq 2n$ . Then  $Pr[p(c) = h(c)] = Pr[Error i-th round] \leq \frac{2n}{2^n}$ .



### Correctness continue

- That means Pr[No Error in i-th round] $\geq 1 rac{2n}{2^n}$
- Because random number are chosen independently, and after  $m \le n$  rounds, we have :

$$Pr[Error] = 1 - Pr[ ext{No Error}] = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^m Pr[ ext{No Error in i-th round}]$$

$$\leq (1 - (1 - \frac{2n}{2^n}))^n$$

• The last approximation is true because :  $\prod_{i=1}^m Pr[\text{no error in i-th round}] \geq (1-\frac{2n}{2^n})^m \geq (1-\frac{2n}{2^n})^n$ 



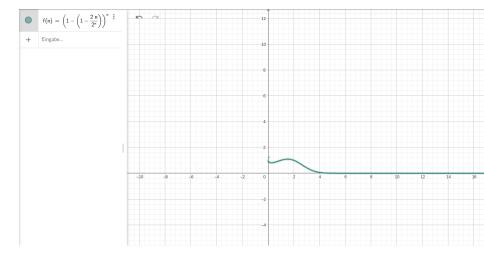


Figure:  $n \to \infty$ 

