

Monday

Recall Definition (Sipser 7.1): For M a deterministic decider, its **running time** is the function $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ given by

$$f(n) = \max \text{ number of steps } M \text{ takes before halting, over all inputs of length } n$$

Recall Definition (Sipser 7.7): For each function $t(n)$, the **time complexity class** $TIME(t(n))$, is defined by

$$TIME(t(n)) = \{L \mid L \text{ is decidable by a Turing machine with running time in } O(t(n))\}$$

Recall Definition (Sipser 7.12) : P is the class of languages that are decidable in polynomial time on a deterministic 1-tape Turing machine

$$P = \bigcup_k TIME(n^k)$$

Definition (Sipser 7.9): For N a nondeterministic decider. The **running time** of N is the function $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ given by

$$f(n) = \max \text{ number of steps } N \text{ takes on any branch before halting, over all inputs of length } n$$

Definition (Sipser 7.21): For each function $t(n)$, the **nondeterministic time complexity class** $NTIME(t(n))$, is defined by

$$NTIME(t(n)) = \{L \mid L \text{ is decidable by a nondeterministic Turing machine with running time in } O(t(n))\}$$

$$NP = \bigcup_k NTIME(n^k)$$

True or **False**: $TIME(n^2) \subseteq NTIME(n^2)$

if have deterministic machine that is guaranteed to halt in $O(n^2)$ steps. it also witnesses that the language is in $NTIME(n^2)$.

True or **False**: $NTIME(n^2) \subseteq DTIME(n^2)$

???

Big Question



Examples in P

informally
Can't use nondeterminism; Can use multiple tapes; Often need to be "more clever" than naïve / brute force approach

$$PATH = \{\langle G, s, t \rangle \mid G \text{ is digraph with } n \text{ nodes there is path from } s \text{ to } t\}$$

Use breadth first search to show in P

$$RELPRIME = \{\langle x, y \rangle \mid x \text{ and } y \text{ are relatively prime integers}\}$$

Use Euclidean Algorithm to show in P (long division over and over)

$$L(G) = \{w \mid w \text{ is generated by } G\}$$

(where G is a context-free grammar). Use dynamic programming to show in P .

Examples in NP

"Verifiable" i.e. NP , Can be decided by a nondeterministic TM in polynomial time, best known deterministic solution may be brute-force, solution can be verified by a deterministic TM in polynomial time.

$$HAMPATH = \{\langle G, s, t \rangle \mid G \text{ is digraph with } n \text{ nodes, there is path from } s \text{ to } t \text{ that goes through every node exactly once}\}$$

$$VERTEX - COVER = \{\langle G, k \rangle \mid G \text{ is an undirected graph with } n \text{ nodes that has a } k\text{-node vertex cover}\}$$

$$CLIQUE = \{\langle G, k \rangle \mid G \text{ is an undirected graph with } n \text{ nodes that has a } k\text{-clique}\}$$

$$SAT = \{\langle X \rangle \mid X \text{ is a satisfiable Boolean formula with } n \text{ variables}\}$$

any language in P is also in NP .

Every problem in NP is decidable with an exponential-time algorithm

Nondeterministic approach: guess a possible solution, verify that it works.

Brute-force (worst-case exponential time) approach: iterate over all possible solutions, for each one, check if it works.

Problems in P	Problems in NP
(Membership in any) regular language	Any problem in P
(Membership in any) context-free language	
A_{DFA}	SAT
E_{DFA}	$CLIQUE$
EQ_{DFA}	$VERTEX - COVER$
$PATH$	$HAMPATH$
$RELPRIME$	\dots
\dots	

Million-dollar question: Is $P = NP$?

One approach to trying to answer it is to look for *hardest* problems in NP and then (1) if we can show that there are efficient algorithms for them, then we can get efficient algorithms for all problems in NP so $P = NP$, or (2) these problems might be good candidates for showing that there are problems in NP for which there are no efficient algorithms.

Review: Week 10 Monday

Please complete the review quiz questions on [Gradescope](#) about complexity (P and NP)

Wednesday

Before: mapping reductions.

Definition (Sipser 7.29) Language A is **polynomial-time mapping reducible** to language B , written $A \leq_P B$, means there is a polynomial-time computable function $f: \Sigma^* \rightarrow \Sigma^*$ such that for every $x \in \Sigma^*$

$$x \in A \quad \text{iff} \quad f(x) \in B.$$

The function f is called the **polynomial time reduction** of A to B .

f witnesses the polynomial time reduction.

Theorem (Sipser 7.31): If $A \leq_P B$ and $B \in P$ then $A \in P$.

WTS

WTS

Reference result

if $A \leq_P B$ and B is decidable then A is decidable.

Proof:

Let A, B be languages.

Assume $A \leq_P B$, so there's witnessing function $f: \Sigma^* \rightarrow \Sigma^*$ computed by TM F , with $x \in A$ iff $f(x) \in B$.
in polynomial time.

Assume $B \in P$, so there's witnessing decider M_B that halts in polynomial time and $L(M_B) = B$.

Define $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{On input } x \\ 1. \text{ Compute (using } F) f(x). \\ 2. \text{ Run } M_B \text{ on } f(x). \\ 3. \text{ If } M_B \text{ accepts } f(x), \text{ accept } x. \\ 4. \text{ If } M_B \text{ rejects } f(x), \text{ reject } x. \end{array} \right.$
polynomial time polynomial time polynomial time polynomial time

Claim: this TM is a polynomial time decider for A .

Definition (Sipser 7.34; based in Stephen Cook and Leonid Levin's work in the 1970s): A language B is **NP-complete** means (1) B is in NP and (2) every language A in NP is polynomial time reducible to B .
 $B \in NP$ for each $A \in NP$ ($A \leq_P B$).

Theorem (Sipser 7.35): If B is NP-complete and $B \in P$ then $P = NP$.

Proof: Assume B is NP-complete and $B \in P$.

We already know $P \subseteq NP$.

It remains to prove that $NP \subseteq P$.

Let A be an arbitrary set in NP.
By definition of B being NP-complete,
 $A \leq_P B$.

By thm 7.31 and assumption that $B \in P$, $A \in P$ also, as required.

Example of NP complete problem

3SAT: A literal is a Boolean variable (e.g. x) or a negated Boolean variable (e.g. \bar{x}). A Boolean formula is a **3cnf-formula** if it is a Boolean formula in conjunctive normal form (a conjunction of disjunctive clauses of literals) and each clause has three literals.

$$3SAT = \{ \langle \phi \rangle \mid \phi \text{ is a satisfiable 3cnf-formula} \}$$

collection of strings encoding satisfiable proposition formulas in conjunctive normal form with 3 literals in each term.

Example strings in 3SAT

$$\langle (x \vee \bar{y} \vee \bar{z}) \wedge (\bar{x} \vee y \vee z) \wedge (x \vee y \vee z) \rangle \in 3\text{-SAT.}$$

$$(x \vee y) \wedge (x \vee z) \wedge (y \vee z)$$

eg.

Example strings not in 3SAT

$$(x \vee \bar{y} \vee \bar{z}) \wedge (\bar{x} \vee y \vee z) \wedge (x \vee y \vee z)$$

satisfiable, satisfied by truth assignment

$$\begin{aligned} x &= T \\ y &= T \\ z &= T \end{aligned}$$

Cook-Levin Theorem: 3SAT is NP-complete.

"first ever NP-complete" problem

Are there other NP-complete problems? To prove that X is NP-complete

- From scratch: prove X is in NP and that all NP problems are polynomial-time reducible to X .
- Using reduction: prove X is in NP and that a known-to-be NP-complete problem is polynomial-time reducible to X .

Given A in NP, WTS $A \leq_p X$

If Y is known to be NP-complete, know that

$$A \leq_p Y$$

so as soon as we have

$$Y \leq_p X$$

CLIQUE: A k -clique in an undirected graph is a maximally connected subgraph with k nodes.

$$CLIQUE = \{ \langle G, k \rangle \mid G \text{ is an undirected graph with a } k\text{-clique} \}$$

subset of vertices
that are pairwise
adjacent.

Example strings in $CLIQUE$

Example strings not in $CLIQUE$

Theorem (Sipser 7.32):

$$3SAT \leq_P CLIQUE$$

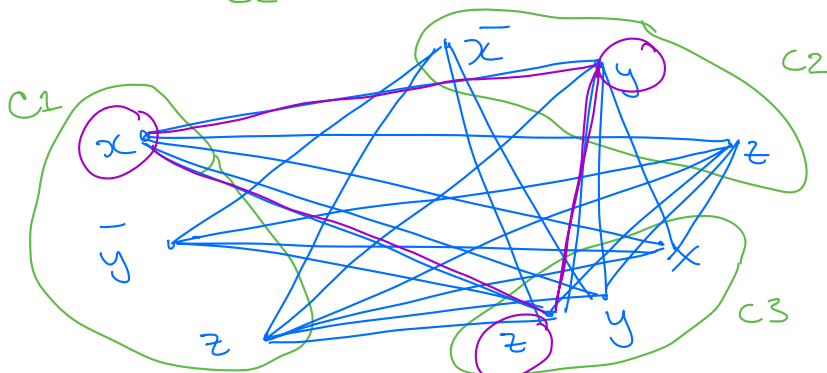
Given a Boolean formula in conjunctive normal form with k clauses and three literals per clause, we will map it to a graph so that the graph has a clique if the original formula is satisfiable and the graph does not have a clique if the original formula is not satisfiable.

The graph has $3k$ vertices (one for each literal in each clause) and an edge between all vertices except

- vertices for two literals in the same clause
- vertices for literals that are negations of one another

Example: $(x \vee \bar{y} \vee \bar{z}) \wedge (\bar{x} \vee y \vee z) \wedge (x \vee y \vee z)$

$k = 3$



Satisfiable!
sample satisfying assignment
is $x=T, y=T, z=T$.

has 3-clique! $\{x \text{ from } C1, y \text{ from } C2, z \text{ from } C3\}$

Review: Week 10 Wednesday

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What can (4) computers do?

Friday

Model of Computation	Class of Languages
<p>Deterministic finite automata: formal definition, how to design for a given language, how to describe language of a machine? Nondeterministic finite automata: formal definition, how to design for a given language, how to describe language of a machine? Regular expressions: formal definition, how to design for a given language, how to describe language of expression? Also: converting between different models.</p> <p>Ch 1 RegEx: Concise DFA: implement</p>	<p>Class of regular languages: what are the closure properties of this class? which languages are not in the class? using pumping lemma to prove nonregularity.</p> <p>some example operations: complement, union, Kleene star, concatenation, ...</p>
<p>Push-down automata: formal definition, how to design for a given language, how to describe language of a machine? Context-free grammars: formal definition, how to design for a given language, how to describe language of a grammar?</p> <p>Ch 2 Ex context-free, nonregular languages: $\{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0\}$ $\{0^n 0^m 1^n \mid m \geq 0\}$ $\{ww^R \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*\}$</p>	<p>Class of context-free languages: what are the closure properties of this class? which languages are not in the class?</p> <p>recognizable by a PDA or generable by a CFG.</p>
<p>Turing machines that always halt in <u>polynomial time</u></p> <p>Nondeterministic Turing machines that <u>always halt in polynomial time</u></p> <p>Ch 7</p>	<p>P</p> <p>NP</p> <p>polynomial time reductions NP-complete.</p>
<p>Deciders (Turing machines that always halt): formal definition, how to design for a given language, how to describe language of a machine?</p> <p>Ch 3-4 Ch 5</p>	<p>Class of decidable languages: what are the closure properties of this class? which languages are not in the class? using diagonalization and mapping reduction to show undecidability</p> <p>$A_{TM} = \{ \langle M, w \rangle \mid M \text{ TM } w \text{ str, } w \in L(M) \}$</p>
<p>Turing machines formal definition, how to design for a given language, how to describe language of a machine?</p> <p>Ch 3 Ch 5</p>	<p>Class of recognizable languages: what are the closure properties of this class? which languages are not in the class? using closure and mapping reduction to show unrecognizability</p>

Closure properties: to prove that a class of languages is not closed under an operation, need an example language that is in the class but for which applying this operation results in a language no longer in the class

Given a language, prove it is regular

Strategy 1: construct DFA recognizing the language and prove it works.

Strategy 2: construct NFA recognizing the language and prove it works.

Strategy 3: construct regular expression recognizing the language and prove it works.

“Prove it works” means ...

Example: $L = \{w \in \{0, 1\}^* \mid w \text{ has odd number of 1s or starts with 0}\}$

Extra practice

Using NFA

Using regular expressions

Example: Select all and only the options that result in a true statement: “To show a language A is not regular, we can. . .”

- a. Show A is finite
- b. Show there is a CFG generating A
- c. Show A has no pumping length
- d. Show A is undecidable

Extra practice

Example: What is the language generated by the CFG with rules

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow aSb \mid bY \mid Ya \\ Y &\rightarrow bY \mid Ya \mid \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

Extra practice

Example: Prove that the language $T = \{\langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a Turing machine and } L(M) \text{ is infinite}\}$ is undecidable.

Example string in T : 
state diagram for a TM

To show a language is undecidable
can find some set that is undecidable
and that mapping reduces to it.

* $A_{TM} = \{\langle M, w \rangle \mid M \text{ TM } w \text{ string, } w \in L(M)\}$ *
 $HALT_{TM} = \{\langle M, w \rangle \mid M \text{ TM } w \text{ string } M \text{ halts on } w\}$.

A_{TM}
 $HALT_{TM}$

reference undecidable languages

Goal: Prove that $A_{TM} \leq_m T = \{\langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is TM } L(M) \text{ infinite}\}$
We need a computable function $f: \Sigma^* \rightarrow \Sigma^*$
where $x \in A_{TM} \iff f(x) \in T$.

i.e. for each $x \in \Sigma^*$

\Rightarrow if $x \neq \langle M, w \rangle$, M TM w str.

want $f(x) \notin T$.

\Rightarrow if $x = \langle M, w \rangle$, M TM w str.
 M accepts w

want $f(x) \in T$

\Rightarrow if $x = \langle M, w \rangle$, M TM w str.
 M rejects w
or
 M loops on w

want $f(x) \notin T$.

Use $L(\sim) = \Sigma^*$
 $L(\sim) = \emptyset$
as proxy.

Define f as the function computed by the TM

$F =$ " On input x

1. If $x = \langle M, w \rangle$ for some $M \in \Sigma^*$, w str. go to step 3.
2. If not, output $\langle \text{rej} \rangle$
3. $x = \langle M, w \rangle$ for $M \in \Sigma^*$, str w .

Define

$M'_x =$ " On input y

1. Run M on w
2. If accepts, accept.
3. If rejects, reject.

4. Output $\langle M'_x \rangle$ "

Claim: This TM computes function witnessing $\text{ATM} \leq_m T$.

Pf of claim: Extra practice

Example: Prove that the class of decidable languages is closed under concatenation.

Extra practice



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