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- 1.(a)
 - i. NPC the class of languages that are in NP and are NP-hard
 - ii. SAT: given a set of clauses, is there a satisfying assignment
HP: given a graph, is there a hamiltonian path
TSP(D): given a graph, is there a cycle that visits all nodes within budget b
 - iii. Assume $\text{NPC} \cap \text{P} \neq \emptyset$
Then there is some language L_0 that is NP-complete and in P.
We already know that $\text{P} \subseteq \text{NP}$, so we need to show $\text{NP} \subseteq \text{P}$.
Take some language $L \in \text{NP}$.
Since L_0 is NPC, we have $L \leq L_0$
But since $L_0 \in \text{P}$, we have $L \in \text{P}$ (P is downwards-closed).
Hence $\text{NP} \subseteq \text{P}$. So $\text{P} = \text{NP}$.
- (b)
 - We can find a reduction from HP to AHP.
Let $f(G)$ add two new nodes, x and p . Add edge (x, p) and edges (p, u) for all u in original G . Then G has HC iff $f(G)$ has HP starting at x .
(\Rightarrow) If G has HP $u \dots v$, then $f(G)$ has HP starting at x : $x, p, u \dots v$.
(\Leftarrow) If $f(G)$ has HP, it must start/end at x , because x is the only node with degree 1, so and path must go through p at the start/end to reach x . $u \dots v p x$.
So G has HP $u \dots v$.
If G has any degree 0 nodes, then it returns some no-instance.
 f can be computed in p-time and so AHP is NPC.
 - We can find a reduction from HP to THP.
Let $f(G)$ add four new nodes, p, q, r, s .
Add edge (p, q) and edges (q, u) for all u in original G .
Add edge (r, s) and edges (u, r) for all u in original G . Label some node in the old graph as x . If G has any degree 0 nodes, then it returns some no-instance.
Then G has HP iff $f(G)$ has HP starting that doesn't start or end at x .
(\Rightarrow) If G has HP $u \dots v$, then $f(G)$ does indeed have a HP $p, q, u \dots v, r, s$.
And, any HP in $f(G)$ must start/end with p, s , and so cannot start/end with the node labelled x from the original graph.
(\Leftarrow) If $f(G)$ has HP, it must start/end at p/s , because these are the only nodes in $f(G)$ with degree 1. So HP has the form $p, q, u \dots v, r, s$, and so G has HP $u \dots v$. f can be computed in p-time and so THP is NPC.
- (c)
 - i. 2SAT: Given a set of clauses, each with 2 literals, is there a satisfying assignment?

- ii. We can show that 2SAT is in P. Suppose that $2SAT \in NPC$. We have some language in both NPC and P, so $NPC \cap P \neq \emptyset$, so by (a)(iii), we have $P = NP$. Contradicting our assumption that $P \neq NP$. So 2SAT cannot be NP-complete under this assumption.
- iii. • Add nodes: p, q, r and $\neg p, \neg q, \neg r$.
 Add edges:
 $\neg p \rightarrow q, \neg q \rightarrow p$
 $q \rightarrow r, \neg r \rightarrow \neg q$
 $q \rightarrow \neg r, r \rightarrow \neg q$
 $r \rightarrow \neg r$
 Take p . Check if there is a path from p to $\neg p$. There is not. So $v(p) = tt$. Take q . Check if there is a path from q to $\neg p$. There is. check if path from $\neg p$ to p . There is not. So $v(q) = ff$. Take r . check if there is a path from r to $\neg r$. There is. Check if path from $\neg r$ to r . There is not. So $v(r) = ff$.
 Hence a satisfying assignment is $v(p) = tt, v(q) = ff, v(r) = ff$.
- Add nodes: p, q, r and $\neg p, \neg q, \neg r$.
 Add edges:
 $p \rightarrow q, \neg q \rightarrow \neg p$
 $p \rightarrow \neg q, q \rightarrow \neg p$
 $\neg p \rightarrow r, \neg r \rightarrow p$
 $r \rightarrow \neg r$
 $\neg r \rightarrow \neg q, q \rightarrow r$
 $\neg q \rightarrow p, \neg p \rightarrow q$
 Take p . Check if there is a path from p to $\neg p$. There is. Check if there is a path from $\neg p$ to p . There is. We have a cycle from p to $\neg p$, so there is no satisfying assignment.
- 2.(a) i. • LOGSPACE: The set of languages that can decided by a k -tape input-output turing machine in logspace.
 • log-space reduction: $A \leq_{\log} B$ iff there is a map f such that $x \in A$ iff $f(x) \in B$ and f is computable in logspace.
 • NL-complete: A language, L is nl-complete iff it is can be decided by a nondeterministic IOTM in logspace and has the property that for all L' , if $L' \in NL$ then $L' \leq_{\log} L$.
- ii. Savitch's theorem: RCH can be decided in $O(\log(n)^2)$ space.
 Consequence: $NL \subseteq SPACE(\log^2(n))$.
- (b) Consider the reduction $RCH \leq_{\log} DCONN$. Let

$$f((G, x, y)) = (V, E \cup \{(u, v) \mid v = x \vee u = y\}) \text{ where } G = (V, E)$$

To show $(G, x, y) \in \text{RCH}$ iff $f((G, x, y)) \in \text{DCONN}$

- (\Rightarrow) Assume (G, x, y) in RCH.
Then there is path $x \rightsquigarrow y$ in G' , and in G' (f doesn't remove edges).
Take $u, v \in G'$. There is edge $(u, x) \in E'$. and edge (y, v) . Hence there is a path $u, x \rightsquigarrow y, v$ in G' . Any two nodes u, v have a path connecting, so G' is connected.
- (\Leftarrow) Assume $f((G, x, y))$ in DCONN.
Since $f(G)$ is connected, every pair of nodes, u, v has path $u \rightsquigarrow v$. So there is path $x \rightsquigarrow y$ in G' . But, all edges in this path are also in G , (f only added incoming edges to x and outgoing edges from y - none of these are in the path $x \rightsquigarrow y$). Hence G has path $x \rightsquigarrow y$.

We can compute f in logspace. We use a counter to loop through all nodes, u , and add edges (u, x) and (y, u) . Changing the adj matrix can be done in logspace and we used a fixed counter bounded by input size, so f in logspace.

- (c) i. The *complement* of a language $\bar{L} = \Sigma^* - L$.
The class NL is the class $\{\bar{L} \mid L \in \text{NL}\}$.
The S-I theorem tells us that $\text{NL} = \text{co-NL}$.
- ii. $\overline{\text{D-CONN}}$: Given G are there nodes x, v where there is no path from x to v .
To show that $\overline{\text{D-CONN}}$ is in NL, first guess x and v , then use the algorithm for the S-I theorem to calculate, $N(x)$, the set of nodes reachable from x . On the final stage, any successful computation examines all nodes y , and indicates whether $y \in N(x)$. We use this to see if any of the y 's reachable in $n - 1$ edges are v . If none are, then we return yes. If one of them is then we would've returned no on discovering $y = v$.

Algorithm:

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k = 0
s = 1
while k < n - 1
  ycount = 0;
  for y in Nodes(G)
    zcount++; foundy = false
    if (Rch(x, z, k))
      ycount++
  for z in Nodes (G):
    zcount++
    if !foundy and ((z, y) in G or y = z)
      ycount++; foundy = true;
      if (y = v) return = NO;

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        if zcount < s
            return FAIL
    s = ycount
    k++
return = YES;

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- iii. Since $\overline{\text{D-CONN}}$ is in co-NL, by the S-I theorem, D-CONN is in NL. But we have from (b), $\text{RCH} \leq_{\log} \text{D-CONN}$ and that RCH is NL-complete. Hence DCONN is NL-complete.
- 3.(a) i. A family of circuits is *uniform* iff there is a logspace bounded IOTM which, given input of 1^n , outputs circuit C_n - where $C_n(n) = \text{tt}$ if $n \in S$, $C_n(n) = \text{ff}$ if $n \notin S$, for any undecidable set S of natural numbers.
- ii. NC_j is the class of languages that have some uniform family of circuits that decide the language in $O(\log^j(n))$ parallel time and $O(n^k)$ work for some k . NC is union over all j , $\text{NC} = \bigcup_{j \geq 0} \text{NC}_j$.
- iii. Suppose, n is a positive even with $|x| = 2k$ for some $k > 0$. Connect x_1 and x_{k+1} to an and-gate, x_2 to x_{k+2} to an and-gate, ..., x_k to x_{2k} to an and-gate. Then form a knockout-tournament with these k players, and connect them using and-gates to depth $\lceil \log(k) \rceil$. Output is tt iff $x_1 = x_{k+1}$, ..., $x_k = x_{2k}$ iff $x = x'x'$ for some $x' \in \{0, 1\}^*$. This circuit has depth $1 + \lceil \log(k) \rceil = O(\log(n))$ and size $k + k - 1 = O(n) = O(n^k)$ for $k = 1$. So C_n has $O(\log(n))$ depth and polynomial work. If n is odd let C_n be a circuit that simply outputs ff for all inputs. If $n = 0$, let C_n be a circuit that simply outputs tt for all inputs. Both of these circuits trivially have $O(\log(n))$ depth and polynomial work. So L has some uniform family of circuits that decide the language in $O(\log^1(n))$ parallel time and $O(n^k)$ work for some k . Hence $L \in \text{NC}_1$.
- iv. It would imply that all languages in P can be parallelized to have poly-log time with a polynomial number of processors, which seems unlikely. Some problems such as MAXFLOW seem inherently sequential. It would mean that $\text{NC} = \text{P}$, and that NC hierarchy of $\text{NC}_1 \subseteq \text{NC}_2 \subseteq \dots$ would collapse, giving $\text{NC} = \text{NC}_j$ for all $j \geq 2$.
- (b) i. Let M_f and M_g be the machines that compute f and g . Then the following machine M , computes $g(f(x))$ in logspace.
 Assume the output tape for M_f is numbered from 0,1,2,...
Algorithm:
 $i = 0$
 Run M_f from the very beginning
 until i th symbol written to its output tape

while(true):

 execute next instruction of M_g (using current
 symbol for M_g 's input tape as i th symbol on M_f 's output tape).
 if final state of M_g : return.

 if M_g moved input tape head to the right:

$i = i + 1$;

 Run M_f from the very beginning
 until i th symbol written to its output tape

 if M_g moved input tape head to the left:

$i = i - 1$;

 if $i < 0$: halt and succeed

 Run M_f from the very beginning

 until i th symbol written to its output tape

The output tape of M_f is never larger than i and i is bounded by size of M_g 's input tape. Given that M_g is a IOTM that computes g in logspace, M_g 's input tape is bounded logarithmically by its input size. So i can only be incremented logarithmically number of times. We have that $i \leq k \log(|f(x)|)$. Hence output tape of M_f is never larger $k \log(|f(x)|)$. Similarly, all the work tapes are bounded by $k \log(|f(x)|)$. M runs in $\log(|f(x)|)$ and computes $g(f(x))$. Hence $g(f(x))$ is logspace computable.

- ii. Since f is uniform, there must be some circuit to calculate $f(x)$ that takes inputs of size x and gives outputs of size $|f(x)|$. Similarly, since g is uniform, there must be some circuit that takes inputs of size $|f(x)|$ and gives outputs of size $|g(|f(x)|)|$. We can form a new logspace bounded machine which given input of 1^n , outputs this circuit, where $n = |x|$.

- 4.(a) i. A *Monte Carlo Turing Machine* for L is a precise polynomial time NDTM with 2 choices at each step that if $x \in L$, returns yes for $> \frac{1}{2}$ of its computation, and if $x \notin L$, returns no all of its computations. The class RP is the class of languages that have Monte Carlo Turing Machines.

- ii. $P \subseteq RP \subseteq NP$

$RP \subseteq NP$. Every language $L \in RP$ has some Monte Carlo Turing Machine M . Clearly if $x \in L$, then M has some computation that leads returns to yes. So M' nondeterministically decides L in p-time so $L \in NP$.

$P \subseteq RP$. Every language $L \in P$ has some deterministic Turing machine M that decides L . M can be transformed into a p-time precise nondeterministic TM, M' , with 2 choices (adding states for padding) that doesn't modify the outputs of M . Since M decides L , trivially, this will give yes for $> \frac{1}{2}$ of the computations when $x \in L$ and returns no for all computations when $x \notin L$. Hence M' is a Monte Carlo Turing Machine for L .

- iii. Let $L_1, L_2 \in RP$ be recognised by Monte Carlo TMs, M_1, M_2 . We describe

machine M for L . There are $n + 1$ splits to check.

Run S_1, S_1, \dots, S_{n+1} , where $S_i \equiv \text{running } M_1(x[0..i]) \text{ then } M_2(x[i..n])$. Return yes if any of the S_i has two successes. Return no if none of the S_i had double success. Each S_i is a binary tree of computations with $2^{p_1(i)+p_2(n-i)}$ comps. Overall M has $2^{\sum_{i=0}^n [p_1(i)+p_2(n-i)]}$ comps $= 2^{p_3(n)}$ for some polynomial p_3 .

Suppose if $x \in L_1$ then M_1 returns yes for exactly $\frac{1}{2} + \epsilon_1$ fraction of total comps. Suppose if $x \in L_2$ then M_2 returns yes for exactly $\frac{1}{2} + \epsilon_2$ fraction of total comps. Then each S_i returns yes for exactly $(\frac{1}{2} + \epsilon_1)(\frac{1}{2} + \epsilon_2)$ fraction of the total S_i comps. So M returns yes for exactly $[(\frac{1}{2} + \epsilon_1)(\frac{1}{2} + \epsilon_2)]^{n+1} = \epsilon$ of the $2^{p_3(n)}$ comps, for some ϵ . Suppose, given x we need to run M for a total m times accept if it gave least one yes. Overall we accept a fraction $> 1 - (1 - \epsilon)^m$ of comps. We can build an M' that runs m times such that $1 - (1 - \epsilon)^m > \frac{1}{2}$. M' is a Monte Carlo TM for L_2 , so $L_2 \in \text{RP}$.

- (b) 1. A shuffles the adjacency matrix.
 2. B asks whether non-adjacent nodes x, y are in independent set.
 3. Process repeats.

Suppose the independent set was invalid. Probability B catches A in the worst case is $\frac{1}{C(k,2)}$. If this process is repeated d times, the probability A escapes is

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}k(k-1)}\right)^d$$

We would like the probability of A escaping after polynomial repetitions to be to be exponentially small. Notice that

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}k(k-1)}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}k(k-1)} < \frac{1}{e} < \frac{1}{2}$$

since $k \leq n$, we have $\frac{1}{2}k(k-1)n \leq n^3$. So for $k > 1$:

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}k(k-1)}\right)^{n^3} < \left(1 - \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}k(k-1)}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}k(k-1)n} < \frac{1}{2^n}$$

So if we repeat the process $p(n) = n^3$ times (polynomial), then the chances of A getting away with a lie would be $< \frac{1}{2^n}$ (exponentially small).