CS3102 Theory of Computation

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Warm up:

Is this function computable with a NAND-Circuit?

$$f(a) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if UVA wins against ND tonight} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Logistics

- Quiz 3 out
 - Due Thursday
- Exercise 3 is out
 - Last exercise before midterm

Last Time

- Showing that NAND/AON can compute any finite function
- Started showing how we could have a function that simulates programs

How are programs run?

- Have a table of variables
- Execute code in sequence
- Update values in table
- Return a value from the table

Programs as Bits

- To evaluate a program with another program, we need to convert the first program into bits
- 1. Number each variable (first n go to input, last m to outputs)
- 2. Represent each line as 3 numbers (outvar, in1, in2)
- 3. Represent program as (n,m,[Lines])

Variable	Number
а	0
b	1
temp1	2
temp2	3
return	4

XOR to bits

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def XOR(a,b):
    u = NAND(a,b)
    v = NAND(a, u)
    w = NAND(b, u)
    return NAND(v,w)
n =
m =
s =
```

Variable	Number

Total bits =

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m = 1
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Variable	Number
а	0
b	1
u	2
V	3
W	4
return	5

Total bits = 3 [numbers per line] \cdot 3 [bits per number] \cdot 4[lines] + 6 [length of n + m]

How big is this?

- 1. Number each variable [log₂ 3s] bits each
- 2. Represent each line as 3 numbers (outvar, in1, in2)
- 3. Represent program as (n,m,[Lines]) $\frac{3s \cdot \lceil \log_2 3s \rceil}{2\lceil \log_2 s \rceil}$ bits

$$S(s) \le 4s \lceil \log_2 3s \rceil$$

$$\ell = \lceil \log_2 3s \rceil$$

Defining EVAL

$$EVAL_{s,n,m}: \{0,1\}^{S(s)+n} \to \{0,1\}^m$$

Input: bit string representing a program (first S(s) bits) plus input values (remaining n bits)

Output: the result of running the represented program on the provided input, or m 0's if there's a "compile error"

$$n=2$$

Defining the EVAL function

m = 1

Representation:

(2, 0, 1), (3, 0, 2), (4, 1, 2),

(5, 3, 4)

Input:

0, 1

Variable	Value
0	
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	

Psuedocode for EVAL

- Table *T* :
 - holds variables and their values
- GET(T, i)
 - Returns the bit of *T* associated with variable *i*
- UPDATE(T, i, b)
 - Returns a new table such that variable i's value has been changed to b

Psuedocode for EVAL

Input:

- Numbers n, m, s, t
 representing the number of
 inputs, outputs, variables,
 and lines respectively
- L, a list of triples
 representing the program
- A string x to be given as input to the program

Output:

Evaluation of the program represented by L when run on input x

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Let T be table of size t
For i in range(n):
   T = \mathsf{UPDATE}(T, i, x[i])
For (i,j,k) in L:
   a = GET(T, j)
   b = GET(T, k)
   T = \mathsf{UPDATE}(T, i, \mathsf{NAND}(a,b))
For i in range(m):
   Y[i] = GET(T, t - m + i)
Return Y
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EVAL in NAND

• Next we implement $EVAL_{s,n,m}$ using NAND

GET(T,i)

• Get the bit at "row" *i* of *T*

Look familiar?

How many gates to implement?

UPDATE

$$UPDATE_{\ell}: \{0,1\}^{s^{\ell}+\ell+1} \to \{0,1\}^{2^{\ell}}$$

- To change index i of table T to bit b
- For every index except i, return the same value
- For index i, return b instead
- Define $EQUAL_j$: $\{0,1\}^\ell \to \{0,1\}$ which returns 1 if the input binary number is equal to j

Note: $EQUAL_i$ can be done in $c \cdot \ell$ gates

UPDATE pseudocode

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For j in range(2^{\ell}): a = EQUALS_{j}(i) Runs 2^{\ell} times newT[j] = IF(a,b,T[j]) Return newT
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Conclusion

What we know:

- We can compute any finite function with circuits
- We can compute a function to evaluate programs of a certain size

Big question:

- How expensive are functions?
- Some are more expensive than others, how big could they get?
- If I wanted to be able to evaluate a program for any function $\{0,1\}^n \to \{0,1\}$, how big would the eval circuit need to be?

Complexity

- The "complexity" of a function:
 - Measure of the resources required to compute that function
- Complexity Class:
 - A set of functions defined by a complexity measure

Categorizing Functions by Circuit Size

- No functions require more than $cm2^n$ gates
 - Proved last class
- Some functions require much less
 - E.g. IF
- Observation: some functions are more "complicated" than others!
- Idea: categorize functions by resources required to implement them using a particular computing model

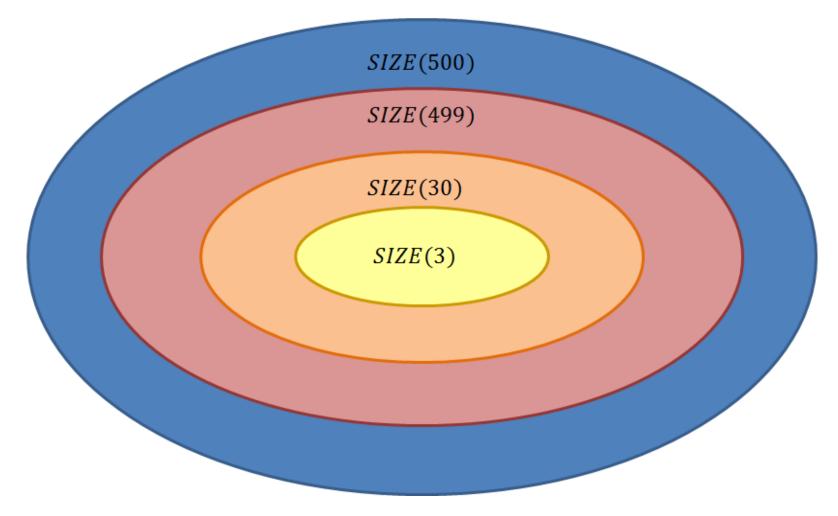
SIZE

• SIZE(s): The set of all functions that can be implemented by a circuit of at most s NAND gates

 $SIZE(1000m2^n)$ Contains all functions $f: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^m$

- TCS also uses:
 - $SIZE_{n,m}(s)$: The set of all n-input, m-output functions that can be implemented with at most s NAND gates
 - $SIZE_n(s)$: The set of all n-input, 1-output functions that can be implemented with at most s NAND gates

Comparing Classes



Theorem

 Let SIZE^{AON}(s) represent the set of all functions that can be computed using at most s AND/OR/NOT gates

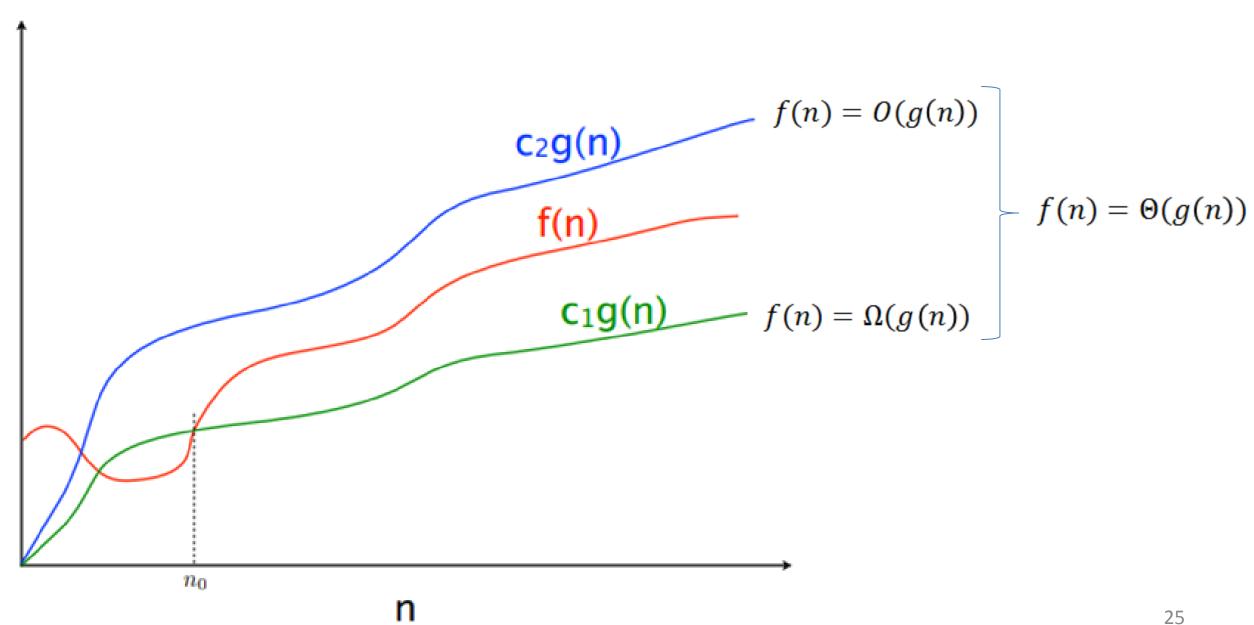
$$SIZE\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \subseteq SIZE^{AON}(s) \subseteq SIZE(3s)$$

Proof

$$SIZE\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \subseteq SIZE^{AON}(s) \subseteq SIZE(3s)$$

Ο, Ω, Θ

- Groups functions together
- Each uses a function as a bound for other functions
- O (Big-Oh):
 - O(f(n)) = the set of all functions "asymptotically upper-bounded" by f
- Ω (Big-Omega):
 - $-\Omega(f(n))$ = the set of all functions "asymptotically lower-bounded" by f
- Θ (Big-Theta):
 - $-\Theta(f(n))$ = the set of all functions "asymptotically tight-bounded" by f



Definitions

- O(g(n))
 - At most within constant of g for large n
 - $\{f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R} | \exists \text{ constants } c, n_0 > 0 \text{ s.t. } \forall n > n_0, f(n) \le c \cdot g(n) \}$
- $\Omega(g(n))$
 - At least within constant of g for large n
 - $\{f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R} | \exists \text{ constants } c, n_0 > 0 \text{ s.t. } \forall n > n_0, f(n) \ge c \cdot g(n) \}$
- $\Theta(g(n))$
 - "Tightly" within constant of g for large n
 - $\Omega(g(n)) \cap O(g(n))$

Showing Big-Oh

• To show: $n \log n \in O(n^2)$

Showing Big-Omega

• To Show: $2^n \in \Omega(n^2)$

Showing Big-Theta

• To Show: $\log_x n = \Theta(\log_y n)$