

# Homework 1. Due October 10, 9:59PM.

CS181: Fall 2022

## GUIDELINES:

- Upload your assignments to Gradescope by 9:59 PM.
- Follow the instructions mentioned on the course webpage for uploading to Gradescope very carefully (including starting each problem on a new page and matching the pages with the assignments); this makes it easy and smooth for everyone. As the guidelines are simple enough, bad uploads will not be graded.
- You may use results proved in class without proofs as long as you state them clearly.
- Most importantly, make sure you adhere to the policies for academic honesty set out on the course [webpage](#). The policies will be enforced strictly. Homework is a stepping stone for exams; keep in mind that reasonable partial credit will be awarded and trying the problems will help you a lot for the exams.
- All problem numbers correspond to our text 'Introduction to Theory of Computation' by Boaz Barak. So, exercise a.b refers to Chapter a, exercise b.

1. Let  $S, T$  be two finite sets such that there is a one-to-one mapping from  $S$  to  $T$  and a one-to-one mapping from  $T$  to  $S$ . Show that  $|S| = |T|$  (i.e., the two sets have the same number of elements). [1 point]
2. Exercise 2.4 [1 point]. (Note: The constant 1000 is there for slack and not a specific one.)
3. Prove that the set  $\{AND, NOT\}$  is universal. [1 point]
4. Exercise 3.4. To be more precise, the problem is asking you to show that there is a function that **cannot** be computed by a Boolean circuit that is only allowed to use AND/OR (so NOT gates not allowed). As a further hint, you can show that there is a function that takes two inputs and has one output that cannot be computed in such a way (no matter how many AND/OR gates you use). [1 point]

**ADDITIONAL PROBLEMS.** DO NOT turn in answers for the following problems - they are meant for your curiosity and understanding.

1. Exercises 2.3, 3.1, 3.9, 3.10, 3.13, 3.14.

## Problem 1

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Given that  $S, T$  are one-to-one mappings from  $S$  to  $T$  and  $T$  to  $S$ , we can deduce

$$F: S \rightarrow T \Rightarrow x \in S \text{ has a single } F(x) \in T \quad \text{where } x \neq x' \in S \Rightarrow F(x) \neq F(x') \in T$$
$$G: T \rightarrow S \Rightarrow y \in T \text{ has a single } G(y) \in S \quad \text{where } y \neq y' \in T \Rightarrow G(y) \neq G(y') \in S$$

By definition,  $F: S \rightarrow T$  being a one-to-one mapping means that  $|S| \leq |T|$ .

Equivalently,  $G: T \rightarrow S$  being a one-to-one mapping means that  $|T| \leq |S|$ .

The 2 equalities  $|S| \leq |T|$  and  $|T| \leq |S|$  can only be satisfied under one condition as  $|S| < |T|$  and  $|T| < |S|$  cannot simultaneously be true. That leaves  $|S| = |T|$  as the only possible cardinalities of  $S$  and  $T$ .

Therefore,

$$\therefore |S| = |T|$$

## Problem 2

**Exercise 2.4 — Representing graphs: upper bound.** Show that there is a string representation of directed graphs with vertex set  $[n]$  and degree at most 10 that uses at most  $1000n \log n$  bits. More formally, show the following: Suppose we define for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the set  $G_n$  as the set containing all directed graphs (with no self loops) over the vertex set  $[n]$  where every vertex has degree at most 10. Then, prove that for every sufficiently large  $n$ , there exists a one-to-one function  $E : G_n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{\lfloor 1000n \log n \rfloor}$ . ■

Given  $G_n$  is the set  $[n]$  where every vertex has degree at most 10, we can define a function  $E$  that represents a circuit  $C$  as a DAG with  $n$  vertices where  $n =$  input vertices,  $s =$  gate vertices and  $m$  of these labeled as outputs.

For this graph, let  $A_G$  be the adjacency list between vertices  $n$  and  $s$ , that is

$$a_{ns} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n \rightarrow s \in G_n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

For each  $a_{ns}$  where  $s = m$ , there are at most 10  $s$  gates for each  $n$  vertex. Therefore, each ( $n$  has 10 ·  $s$  has 10) at most 10 times  $\Rightarrow 10 \cdot 10 \cdot 10 = 1000$  for each  $n$ . However, since not all of these paths will lead to an output  $m$  as the graph is a DAG and each vertex has an input that leads to only one output (or the graph is cyclic or a vertex has multiple edges by definition), there is a binary multiplicative of paths for each  $n$ , that is,  $\log(n)$ . Therefore all paths can be determined in such a graph linearly with  $\sum_{n=1}^{1000} 1000 \log(n)$

Henceforth, there is at most  $1000n \log(n)$  graph of vertices, and can be represented as a one-to-one function (as described above with properties of a DAG)  $E : G_n \xrightarrow{\text{one-to-one}} \{0, 1\}^{\lfloor 1000n \log(n) \rfloor}$

### Problem 3

3. Prove that the set  $\{\text{AND}, \text{NOT}\}$  is universal. [1 point]

A universal gate is a set of gates such that every boolean function can be implemented with gates in this set. As proven in discussion 1D,  $\forall f : \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^m \exists \text{ AND/OR/NOT Boolean circuit of size } f$ . Hence, the set  $\{\text{AND}, \text{OR}, \text{NOT}\}$  is universal.

We must prove that the set  $\{\text{AND}, \text{NOT}\}$  can construct an OR gate. For that will mean that  $\{\text{AND}, \text{NOT}\} = \{\text{AND}, \text{NOT}, \text{OR}\}$ , and thus universal.

Using de Morgan's law, we can construct

$$\begin{aligned} \text{NOT}(\text{AND}(\text{NOT } A, \text{NOT } B)) &= \text{NOT}(\text{OR}(A, B)) \\ \downarrow \\ \text{NOT}(\text{AND}(\text{NOT } A, \text{NOT } B)) &= \text{NOT}(\text{NOT}(\text{OR}(A, B))) \\ \downarrow \\ \text{NOT}(\text{AND}(\text{NOT } A, \text{NOT } B)) &= \text{OR}(A, B) \end{aligned}$$

Henceforth, using AND and NOT gates, we were able to create an OR gate. That implies the set  $\{\text{AND}, \text{NOT}\}$  contains the gate OR. Therefore, by transivity, since  $\{\text{AND}, \text{NOT}, \text{OR}\}$  is a universal gate, so is  $\{\text{AND}, \text{NOT}\}$ .

$$\therefore \{\text{AND}, \text{NOT}\} = \{\text{AND}, \text{OR}, \text{NOT}\} \Rightarrow \text{universal}$$

## Problem 4

**Exercise 3.4 — AND,OR is not universal.** Prove that for every  $n$ -bit input circuit  $C$  that contains only AND and OR gates, as well as gates that compute the constant functions 0 and 1,  $C$  is *monotone*, in the sense that if  $x, x' \in \{0, 1\}^n$ ,  $x_i \leq x'_i$  for every  $i \in [n]$ , then  $C(x) \leq C(x')$ .

Conclude that the set  $\{\text{AND}, \text{OR}, 0, 1\}$  is *not* universal.

For all  $n$ -bit input circuit  $C$ , we can deduce the following:

- 1)  $2^n$  possible input circuits  $C \rightarrow$  where  $i \in \{0, 1\}^{2^n}$  in range  $[0, 2^n - 1]$
- 2)  $2^{(2^n)}$  possible functions in  $C \rightarrow$  where  $f \in \{0, 1\}^{2^{2^n}}$  in range  $[0, 2^{2^n} - 1]$

If a circuit  $C$  only contains AND and OR gates, then the function must be non-negative in order to maintain the monotony of the circuit function and input states.

Say a function  $f \in \{0, 1\}^{2^n}$  is not monotonic. That would imply  $i, i' \in \{0, 1\}^{2^n}$ , such that  $f(i) = 1$  AND  $f(i') = 0$ , and  $f(i \text{ OR } i') = i'$ . This function could only maintain monotony if the NOT gate altered the 0 state with 1 — this cannot be achieved by the constant functions 0 or 1 because it would require a fundamental reconfiguration of the input — however, the use of the NOT gate would render the function negative function as the sign bit would flip.

However, such a function  $f$  could not be true because if  $f(i) = 1$  AND  $f(i') = 0$ ,  $f(i \text{ OR } i')$  returns  $i$  not  $i'$ . Therefore, with AND and OR gates only in a circuit  $C$ , all  $n$ -bit input circuit  $C$  for any size will have  $C$  as monotone.

Since  $C$  is monotone, we know the NOT gate cannot be used. That means the NAND and NOR gates cannot be constructed, which by definition means the the set  $\{\text{AND}, \text{OR}, 0, 1\}$  cannot be universal.