

Homework 8 Morally Due April 16 at 3:30PM

1. (30 points) Show that NP is closed under intersection.

2. (40 points) In this problem we will look at instructions a Turing Machine could have and how they would be modeled by Boolean Formulas (by modifying the proof of the Cook-Levin Theorem)

We will DO one such problem and then assign two others.

- (a) (0 points- I give the answer so that you can do the other parts more easily) Assume that a Turing Machine has an instruction of the following type:

$$\delta(q, a) = (p, RR)$$

which means that if the head is looking at the symbol a , and the state is q , then the head of the Turing Machine moves TWO steps to the right and the state changes to p . Nothing on the tape changes, though the configuration will change since the head has moved.

Give the formula that models this instruction.

ANSWER:

We first look at what happens if the configuration is $(q, a)bb$? Here is the sequence of parts of the configurations.

(q, a)	b	b
a	b	(p, b)

The formula is

$$(z_{i,j,(q,a)} \wedge z_{i,j+1,b} \wedge z_{i,j+2,b}) \rightarrow (z_{i+1,j,a} \wedge z_{i+1,j+1,b} \wedge z_{i+1,j+2,(p,b)})$$

This is NOT the final answer since the configuration could have other symbols where I have the bb . Here is what happens if the config is $(q, a)\sigma_1\sigma_2$.

(q, a)	σ_1	σ_2
a	σ_1	(p, σ_2)

Hence the formula is

$$\bigwedge_{(\sigma_1, \sigma_2) \in \Sigma \times \Sigma}$$

$$(z_{i,j,(q,a)} \wedge z_{i,j+1,\sigma_1} \wedge z_{i,j+2,\sigma_2}) \rightarrow (z_{i+1,j,a} \wedge z_{i+1,j+1,\sigma_1} \wedge z_{i+1,j+2,(p,\sigma_2)})$$

When you answer the questions below you NEED to have both a diagram like this one:

(q, a)	σ_1	σ_2
a	σ_1	(p, σ_2)

and the formula like this one:

$$\bigwedge_{(\sigma_1, \sigma_2) \in \Sigma \times \Sigma}$$

$$(z_{i,j,(q,a)} \wedge z_{i,j+1,\sigma_1} \wedge z_{i,j+2,\sigma_2}) \rightarrow (z_{i+1,j,a} \wedge z_{i+1,j+1,\sigma_1} \wedge z_{i+1,j+2,(p,\sigma_2)})$$

And NOW for the problems YOU need to do.

- (b) (20 points) Do what I did above for the transition

$$\delta(q, a) = (p, b, L)$$

which means that if the head is looking at an a and the machine is in state q then it will overwrite the a it is looking with by a b **AND** change state to p **AND** move Left.

- (c) (20 points) Do what I did above for the transition

$$\delta(q, a) = (p, L, b)$$

which means that if the head is looking at an a and the machine is in state q then it will move Left **AND THEN** write a b in the square (overwriting whatever was there) **AND THEN** change state to p .

3. (30 points) Let $a, b \in \mathbf{N}$, $a, b \geq 2$. Let B be solvable in time 2^{n^b} time where n is the length of the input to B . (NOTE- in this problem the input to B will be an ordered pair (x, y) where $|x| = n$ and $|y| = n^a$ (as you will see soon). since $n \ll n^a$ we will consider the length of the input to B to be $O(n^a)$.) Let

$$A = \{x : (\exists y, |y| = |x|^a)[(x, y) \in B]\}.$$

Give an algorithm that determines if $x \in A$. Give $T(n)$, the time bound on the algorithm for inputs of length n . $T(n)$ should be of the form $2^{O(n^c)}$ for a c that depends on a, b .