

last class.

SAT vs NP complete

Recall: A language  $L \in NP \iff \exists$  polynomial  $P$ , verifier  $V$  s.t.

SAT

Literal  $B$  is either a variable  $x$  or its negation  $\bar{x}$

Formula  $\phi$  is an expression of literals joined with logic operators  $\wedge, \vee, \neg$ , and we can use brackets  $()$ .

$|\phi| = \#$  literals in it

Problem: given  $\phi$ ,  $\exists$  some assignment true/false st  $\phi$  is true?

Claim:  $SAT \in NP$

$$\phi (A \wedge \neg B) \wedge (\neg A \vee B)$$

$$y: \{A=T, B=F\}$$

$$\forall L \in NP, L \leq SAT$$

let  $V$  be the verifier of  $L \in NP$ .

let  $x \in L$   $n = |x|$

let  $y$  be a certificate for  $x$

let  $Q$  be the states of  $V$

let  $\Gamma$  be the tape alphabet

let  $\delta$  be the transition function

Assume  $V$  always starts with the following tape configuration

$$[y_m, y_{m-1}, \dots, y_1 \# x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$$

$$m, \dots, 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

Assume  $V$  always halts at position 0 with  $accept \in \Gamma \iff y$  is a true certificate for  $x$ .

Note:  $|y| = m \leq P(n)$  and the head of the machine can move at most  $P(n)$  positions to the right or left.

$$STEPS = \{1, 2, \dots, P(n)\}$$

$$POSITIONS = \{-P(n), \dots, P(n)\}$$

want =  $(V, x, y) \Rightarrow \forall x$

Literals

- I.  $\forall i \in STEPS, \forall q \in Q, R_{iq}$  means that after  $i$  steps,  $V$  is in state  $q$ .
- II.  $\forall i \in STEPS, \forall j \in POSITIONS, \forall a \in \Gamma, S_{ija}$  means that after  $i$  steps,  $a$  is at position  $j$ .
- III.  $\forall i \in STEPS, \forall j \in POSITIONS, T_{ij}$  means that after  $i$  steps, it's at position  $j$ .

1. At each step,  $V$  is in at least 1 state.

$$\forall i \in STEPS, \left( \bigvee_{q \in Q} R_{iq} \right) \equiv (R_{iq_0} \vee R_{iq_1} \vee \dots \vee R_{iq_{|Q|}})$$

$$P(n) |Q| = O(P(n))$$

2) At each step,  $V$  is at most 1 state

$$\forall i \in STEPS, \forall q_k, q_l \in Q \text{ such that } q_k \neq q_l \rightarrow \neg (R_{iq_k} \wedge R_{iq_l})$$

$$P(n) |Q| (|Q| - 1) = O(P(n)^2)$$

3) At each step, each tape position contains at least one symbol  
 $\forall i \in \text{STEPS}, \forall j \in \text{POSITIONS},$

$$P(n)(2P(n)+1)|\Gamma| = O\left(\sum_{a \in \Gamma} S_{ija}\right)$$

4) At each step, each tape position contains at most one symbol

$\forall i \in \text{STEPS}, \forall j \in \text{POSITIONS}, \forall a_k, a_l \in \Gamma \text{ st } a_k \neq a_l,$

$$\neg (S_{ija_k} \wedge S_{ija_l})$$

$$P(n)(2P(n)+1)|\Gamma|(\Gamma-1) = O(P(n)^2)$$

5) At each step, the head is in at least 1 position

$\forall i \in \text{STEPS}$

$$\left(\bigvee_{j \in \text{POS}} T_{ij}\right)$$

$$P(n)(2P(n)+1) = O(P(n)^2)$$

6) At each step, the head is in at most 1 position

$\forall i \in \text{STEPS}, \forall p_k, p_l \in \text{POSITIONS} \text{ st } p_k \neq p_l$

$$\neg (T_{ip_k} \wedge T_{ip_l})$$

$$P(n)(2P(n)+1)(2P(n)) = O(P(n)^3) \text{ (still polynomial)}$$

... now comes the tricky part: (TRANSITION FUNCTION).

7) The configuration of  $V$  after the first step depends only on  $\delta$ ,

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \forall i \in \text{STEPS} \\ \forall j \in \text{POS} \\ \forall q \in Q \\ \forall a \in \Gamma \end{array} \right) \delta(j, q, a) \rightarrow (j', q', a' \text{ at } j)$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} T_{ij} \wedge R_{iq} \wedge S_{ija} \\ T_{ij} \wedge R_{iq} \wedge S_{ija} \\ T_{ij} \wedge R_{iq} \wedge S_{ija} \\ S_{ija} \wedge \neg T_{ij} \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} R_{(i+1)j'} \\ T_{(i+1)j'} \\ S_{(i+1)j'a'} \\ S_{(i+1)ja} \end{array}$$

$$[\text{Note: } A \rightarrow B \equiv (\neg A \vee B)]$$

$$(12|Q|+3)(P(n)(2P(n))|T|) = O(P(n)^2)$$

8) Initially,  $V$  starts at position 0 in  $q_{start}$

$$(R_{0q_{start}} \wedge T_{00})$$

9)  $P(n)^{\text{th}}$  step:  $V$  halted at position 0, accept

$$R_{P(n)q_{halt}} \wedge T_{P(n)0} \wedge S_{P(n)0 \text{ accept}}$$

10)  $x$  is written on the tape as  $x = x_1 x_2 \dots x_n$

$$(S_{01a} \wedge S_{02x_2} \wedge \dots \wedge S_{0nx_n})$$

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$n$  literals

$x \in L \Rightarrow \exists p_x \in SAT$

$x \in L \Rightarrow \exists$  certificate  $y$  for  $x$  such that  $V(x,y)$  accepts  
(ie; halts, at pos 0 w/ accept).

$[y \neq x]$  means that  $p_x \in SAT$ .

$x \notin L \Rightarrow \forall p \notin SAT$ .

$x \notin L \Rightarrow \exists y$  such that  $V(x,y)$  accepted  $\Rightarrow$  halts, is at pos 0 but not w/ q accept.

so  $x \in L \Leftrightarrow \exists p_x \in SAT$ .

$O(P(n)^3) \quad \square$

$\Rightarrow \forall L \in NP, L \in_p SAT$