

# CPTH-EXAM

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## Question 1.

Assume  $P = NP$

Now  $A \subseteq \Sigma^*$ ,  $A \neq \emptyset, \Sigma^*$

Hence we can find  $w_1, w_2$  s.t.  $w_1 \in A$  and  $w_2 \in A^c$

Now for any NP-problem  $B$  we have a polytime TM  $M$  which recognizes  $B$

Now define  $\gamma : \Sigma^* \rightarrow \Sigma^*$

$$\gamma(w) = \begin{cases} w_1 & \text{if } M(w) = 1 \\ w_2 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Clearly  $\gamma$  is a polytime reduction from  $B$  to  $A$  as  $M$  runs in polytime

Hence  $A$  is NP-complete

## Question 2.

Let  $m$  be a natural number

Let its prime factorization be

$$\begin{aligned} p_1^{k_1} \times \cdots \times p_n^{k_n} &= m \\ \implies k_1 \log p_1 + \cdots + k_n \log p_n &= \log m \\ \implies k_1 + \cdots + k_n &\leq \log m \end{aligned}$$

$$(\text{as } p_i \geq 2 \implies \log p_i \geq 1)$$

Now let  $L = \{(m, n) \mid m \text{ has a factor in } [2..n]\}$  is clearly in NP as

$$(m, n) \in L \iff \exists p \leq n, p \geq 2 \text{ s.t. } p \mid m$$

Hence we have a polytime DTM  $M$  for  $L$  by assuming  $P=NP$

Now we will describe an algorithm to find a prime factor of  $m$

We will check whether  $m$  has a factor in  $[2.. \frac{m}{2}]$  using  $M$

if no then we will check for  $[\frac{m}{2}..m]$  interval (checking for  $[2..m]$  will be same as checking for  $[\frac{m}{2}..m]$  as  $[0.. \frac{m}{2}]$  does not contain any factor)

If we find no factor then we can simply declare  $m$  is prime otherwise we will again bisect the smaller interval containing a factor and do the same  
 Basically we will continue binary search until we get a specific factor  
 But during binary search we will always choose the interval which contains the smaller numbers  
 Since we are choosing the smaller interval we will always find the smallest factor hence the factor will be prime

Let  $p$  be the factor

Then we will recurse this algorithm on  $\frac{m}{p}$

We will continue the recursion until we found a prime number or 1 which will be the base cases

For the base cases problem will be trivial

Now the binary search will use the TM  $M \log m$  many times

And each call it will use  $O((\log m)^c)$  time

Hence total time will be  $O((\log m)^{c+1})$

Now total time will be

$$T(m) = T\left(\frac{m}{p}\right) + O((\log m)^{c+1})$$

Now each time we will remove one factor from  $m$  then will continue the recursion

Hence the recursion will continue for  $k_1 + \dots + k_n$  many times (where  $p_1^{k_1} \times \dots \times p_n^{k_n} = m$  is the prime factorization of  $m$ )

Hence  $T(n) \leq (k_1 + \dots + k_n)O((\log m)^{c+1}) \leq \log m O((\log m)^{c+1}) = O((\log m)^{c+2})$

### Question 3.

The given algorithm certifies that  $SAT \in \text{Exp}$

But we know  $P \subseteq \text{Exp}$

So there is still a chance that SAT has a polytime algorithm since having an exponential algorithm doesn't imply it cannot have a polytime algorithm

It may have a polytime algorithm which works in a different way

### Question 4.

Note  $\langle G, k \rangle \in \text{MAX-CLIQUE} \iff \exists k \text{ size clique in } G \forall n \text{ size clique in } G \ n \leq k$

Now " $n > k$ " can be represented with a polytime TM  $M$  s.t. that statement will be equivalent to " $M(G, x, k) = 1$ "

And clearly  $|k/n \text{ size clique in } G| = |G.V| + |G.E| = O(|\langle G, k \rangle|)$

Hence MAX-CLIQUE is in  $\Sigma_2$

Now we know that if  $P = NP$  then  $PH = P$  or,  $\Sigma_2 \subseteq P$

Hence if  $P = NP$  then MAX-CLIQUE  $\in P$

We know  $k$ -size Clique =  $\{G \mid G \text{ has a } k\text{-size Clique}\}$  is a NP problem

Now for  $P=NP$  let we have a  $O(P_k(n))$  time total TM for  $k$ -size Clique

Now we will design a DTM  $M$  which on input  $\langle G, k \rangle$  will check for  $G \in k$ -size Clique

if no then it will reject the input other wise for all  $i$  in  $[k + 1..|G.v|]$  it will check for  $G \in i$ -size Clique

If for some  $i, G \in i$ -size Clique then it will reject it

Otherwise accept it

Clearly  $M$  will recognise MAX-CLIQUE

And the runnig time will be  $O(P_k(n) + P_{k+1}(n) + \dots + P_{|G.V|}(n)) = O(n^c)$  for some  $c$

### Question 5.

Let  $A_1, A_2$  are two DFAs with  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  set of states

Then from TOC we know that if  $A_1 \neq A_2$  then  $\exists$  a word  $w$  of lenght at max  $|Q_1| + |Q_2|$  s.t.  $w \in L(A_1)$  but  $w \notin L(A_2)$

Hence for two NFA  $A_1, A_2$  if  $A_1 \neq A_2$  then  $\exists$  a word  $w$  of lenght at max  $2^{|Q_1|+|Q_2|}$  s.t.  $w \in L(A_1)$  but  $w \notin L(A_2)$

Hence we always have an exponential certificate for any member of  $\overline{EQ_{REX}}$

Now we will construct a NTM for  $\overline{EQ_{REX}}$  which will use a lenght counter which on input  $R, S$  creates the NFA s  $R_n, S_n$  and two set of states  $R_q$  and  $S_q$  initially when the counter will be 0 it will run the 0 length word  $\epsilon$  on  $R_n$  and on  $S_n$  and add all states to  $R_q$  which can be reached using  $\epsilon$  in  $R_n$  and add all states to  $S_q$  which can be reached using  $\epsilon$  in  $S_n$

Then it will increase the counter by 1

Now from all the states in  $R_q$  it will run 1,0 non deterministically in  $R_n$  and add all those states to  $R_q$  which can be reached by this

same for  $S_q$

Then again it will increasae the counter by 1 and non deterministically add all those states to  $R_q$  which can be reached from some states of current  $R_q$ . Similar for  $S_q$  and this will be continued

Basically when the counter will show  $c$  it will record non deterministically all the states  $R_q$  which can be reached by each strings of length  $c$  in  $R_n$

Same for  $S_q$

Then it will record all the states reached by the states in  $R_q$  and  $S_q$  by 0,1 non deterministically and increase the counter by 1

Basically it will record all states recheable by  $c + 1$  length states

We will stop when counter will show  $2^{|R_n|+|S_n|}$

Clearly for  $x \in \overline{EQ_{REX}}$  we have a certificate  $w$

We can use that certificate to reach the specific  $R_q$  and  $S_q$  and then we will check is there any final state present in one but not in another

Note that specific path for the certificate will be poly pspace since any time the size of  $R_q$  and  $S_q$  will be bounded by  $|R_n|$  and  $|S_n|$

Note to write the max length which is  $2^{|R_n|+|S_n|}$  will take  $|R_n| + |S_n|$  bits

Hence  $\overline{EQ_{REX}}$  will be in NP-SPACE  
Hence  $EQ_{REX}$  will be in co-NPSPACE=PSPACE

### Question 6.

Assuming  $A$  is Dyck Language ,i.e.,

$x \in A \iff \#_x[ ] = \#_x[ ]$  and for any prefix  $y$  of  $x$ ,  $\#_y[ ] - \#_y[ ] \geq 0$

We will use a DTM  $M$  which on the work tape will use a counter which will be initially 0

If the tape header will be on the  $i$ th alphabet in the input  $x$  then the counter will remember the value of  $\#_y[ ] - \#_y[ ]$  where  $y = x[1..i]$  the  $i$  length prefix of  $x$

Hence from the definition it is clear that the input is in  $A$  iff at any point of time during the computation the counter should be non-negative and when the header will be at the end it must be 0

Now on input  $x$  the TM will start traversing from left to right whene ever the header will read  $[$  then it will increase the counter by 1, and whenever the header will read  $]$  it will subtract 1 from the counter

If any time the counter becomes negative it will reject  $x$

If in the end the counter becomes 0 then it will accept  $x$  otherwise it will reject it

Clearly  $M$  will recognlise  $A$

Now the counter is always less than or equal to the size of the input

Hence it will take  $O(\log |x|)$  space to use the counter

### Question 7.

We will modify the proof of the existence of oracle  $A$  s.t.  $P^A \neq NP^A$  for some some extent

We can enumerate the Nondeterministic oracle machine with oracle  $A$  s.t.  $M_i^A \in \text{co-NTIME}(n^i)$

Now we will construct  $A$  step by step

#### Construction of A at i-th step

1. Choose a  $n_0$  larger than the length of any string whose membership in  $A$  is decided within steps  $\leq i - 1$ , also  $2^{n_0} > n_0^i$
2. Run  $M_i$  on  $1^{n_0}$ , whenever  $M_i$  asks the oracle query answer according to the current structure of  $A$
3. If  $M_i$  accepts  $1^{n_0}$  then for all string of length  $n_0$ , never include them into  $A$
4. If  $M_i$  rejects  $1^{n_0}$  then there must exists a poly length certificate  $w$  s.t.  $M_i(1^{n_0}, w) = 0$  in  $O(n_0^i)$  time  
Hence add all the strings of length  $n_0$  which aren't asked as an oracle query during  $M_i(1^{n_0}, w)$  computation  
There must be such string since there can be only  $n_0^i$  many oracle queries and

$2^{n_0}$  many  $n_0$  length strings and  $2^{n_0} > n_0^i$

(Note in this algorithm we never repeat  $n_0$  in any step, hence we will never add any string to  $A$  if it is already recorded "no")

Now Lets define  $L_A = \{w \mid \exists x \in A \text{ s.t. } |x| = |w|\}$

We have proved in the class that  $L_A \in NP^A$

**Claim.**  $L_A \notin \text{co-NP}^A$

Now if  $L_A \in \text{co-NP}^A$

Then we have a Non deterministic oracle machine  $M_i^A$  for  $L_A$

let  $n_0$  was the integer choose in  $i$ th step of construction of  $A$

Now if  $M_i$  accepts  $1^{n_0}$  then clearly it will be self contradicting since from construction of  $A$  there will be no string of length of  $n_0$  in  $A$

Now if  $M_i$  rejects  $1^{n_0}$  then there must exists some word  $x$  of length  $n_0$  in  $A$  (from construction of  $A$ )

Hence from construction of  $L_A$  we can say  $1^{n_0} \in L_A$  which will contradict that  $M_i$  rejects  $1^{n_0}$

Hence our claim is true

### Question 8.

It can be observed that  $|pad(s, n^2)| = |s\#^{|s|^2 - |s|}| = |s|^2$

Now lets define  $\gamma : \Sigma^* \rightarrow \Sigma^*$  which basically converts  $pad(s, f(|s|))$  to  $s$  (by checking the number of # and if the number is equal to  $|s|^2 - |s|$  then by removing all #s)  
Clearly  $\gamma$  takes  $O(|s|^2) = O(|pad(s, n^2)|)$  time

Now we have a  $O(n^2)$  TM  $M$  for  $A$

Note  $|\gamma(x)| = \sqrt{|x|}$  Now we will design a DTM  $M'$  which on input  $x$  will see whether  $\gamma(x)$  exists or not

if no then it will reject it otherwise it will return  $M(\gamma(x))$

Clearly  $M'$  recognises  $pad(A, n^2)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now time taken by } M'(x) &= \text{time taken by } \gamma(x) + \text{time taken by } M(x) \\ &= O(|x|) + O(|\gamma(x)|^2) \\ &= O(|x|) + O(|x|) = O(|x|) \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $pad(A, n^2) \in \text{DTIME}(n)$

### Question 9.

We know that there exists a language  $L$  s.t.  $L \in \text{DTIME}(2^{2^n})$  but  $L \notin \text{EXP}$

Let  $1^L$  be the unary representation of  $L$

Then note for  $w \in L$ ,  $|1^w| = 2^{|w|}$

**Claim.**  $1^L \notin P$

Suppose  $1^L \in P$  then we have a polytime DTM  $M$  for  $1^L$

Now we can construct a TM  $M'$  which on input  $w$  writes  $1^w$  which takes  $O(2^{|w|})$  time

Now  $M'$  will use  $M$  to check whether  $1^w$  is in  $1^L$  or not which will take  $O((2^{|w|})^c)$  time.

Clearly  $M'$  will stop the execution in exponential time and it can recognise  $L$  completely

which contradicts  $L \notin EXP$

Hence our assumption was wrong, our claim is true

Now clearly  $1^L \in P/poly$

**Question 10.**

We know that if  $Exp \subseteq P/poly$  then  $Exp = \Sigma_2$

Hence if  $P = NP$  then  $Exp = \Sigma_2 \subseteq PH = P$  which will contradict the time hierarchy theorem

Hence  $Exp \neq P/poly$  if  $P = NP$