

Notes for Lecture 4
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Proof of Statement C of Switching Lemma, con't

If $|dom(\pi_1)| \geq s$, let S be the first s variables in $dom(\pi_1)$ and let $\sigma = \tilde{\pi}_1|_S$. Otherwise, **Note:** There exists some i with $\rho\pi_1(D_i) \neq 1$ since otherwise $f|_{\rho\pi_1} \equiv 1$. This is impossible as $f|_{\rho} \neq 1$ (as earlier in proof) and π_1 only sets fewer than s literals in C_j , a conjunct with at least $s + 1$ variables. Let

$$i_2 = \min\{i : \rho\pi_1(D_i) \neq 1\}$$

Let

$$S_2 = (D_{i_2} \setminus dom(\rho\pi_1)) \cap dom(\pi).$$

Let $\pi_2 = \pi|_{S_2}$.

Define $\tilde{\pi}_2$ as follows:

$$\tilde{\pi}_2(i) = \begin{cases} * & i \notin S_2 \\ 1 & \text{"}\bar{x}_i\text{"} \in D_{i_2} \\ 0 & \text{"}x_i\text{"} \in D_{i_2} \end{cases}$$

Thus:

- $dom(\pi_2) = dom(\tilde{\pi}_2)$.
- $\pi_2 \neq \tilde{\pi}_2$, as, for example, $\rho\pi_2(D_{i_2}) = 1$ and $\rho\tilde{\pi}_2(D_{i_2}) \neq 1$.
- $\rho\pi_1(D_{i_2}) = *$. (It is $\neq 0$ as π_1 can be extended to π which makes D_{i_2} true.)
- $\forall l < i_2 \rho\pi_1(D_l) = 1$. (By def'n of i_2)
- For any setting π' of the literals in $dom(\pi) \setminus dom(\pi_1\pi_2)$, we have

$$\begin{cases} \rho\pi_1\tilde{\pi}_2\pi'(D_{i_2}) \in \{0, *\} \\ \forall l < i_2 \rho\pi_1\tilde{\pi}_2\pi'(D_l) = 1. \end{cases}$$

If $|dom(\pi_1\pi_2)| \geq s$, let S be the first s variables in $dom(\pi_1\pi_2)$ and let $\sigma = \tilde{\pi}_2|_S$. Otherwise, $f|_{\rho\pi_1\pi_2}$ is still non-trivial and this process can be repeated to define $\pi_3, \tilde{\pi}_3, \dots, \pi_k, \tilde{\pi}_k$ where $k \leq s$. (Each time π_i and $\tilde{\pi}_i$ is defined, at least one variable is set.)

Let

$$\rho' = \rho\tilde{\pi}_1\tilde{\pi}_2 \dots \tilde{\pi}_{k-1}\sigma.$$

Note that $\rho' \in R^{l-s}$.

Goal: Show that $K(\rho|\rho', f, l, s)$ is small.

Define $\gamma_j \in \{0, 1, *\}^t$ for $1 \leq j \leq s$ as follows:

- For $1 \leq j \leq k-1$, γ_j will describe how (in which places) π_j and $\tilde{\pi}_j$ differ. Let D_{i_j} be a disjunction of literals on the variables $\{x_{j_1} \vee \dots \vee x_{j_r}\}$. Let the l^{th} bit of γ_j ,

$$(\gamma_j)_l = \begin{cases} * & x_{j_l} \notin \text{dom}(\pi_j) \text{ or } l > r \\ 0 & \pi_j(x_{j_l}) = \tilde{\pi}_j(x_{j_l}) \\ 1 & \pi_j(x_{j_l}) \neq \tilde{\pi}_j(x_{j_l}) \end{cases}$$

- Let γ_k be as follows: Let D_{i_k} be a disjunction of literals on the variables $\{x_{k_1} \vee \dots \vee x_{k_{r'}}\}$ and let the l^{th} bit of γ_k ,

$$(\gamma_k)_l = \begin{cases} * & x_{k_l} \notin \text{dom}(\sigma) \text{ or } l > r' \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- For $k \leq j \leq s$, let $\gamma_j = \{*\}^t$.

Let $\gamma = \gamma_1 \gamma_2 \dots \gamma_s$ (concatenate the strings together).

Note that $|\gamma| = st$.

Note: γ contains exactly s symbols which are not equal to $*$ as

$$|\text{dom}(\pi_1 \dots \pi_{k-1} \sigma)| = s = |\text{dom}(\tilde{\pi}_1 \dots \tilde{\pi}_{k-1} \sigma)|.$$

Thus γ is of the form

$$*^{n_0} b_1 *^{n_1} \dots b_s *^{n_s}$$

where $b_i \in \{0, 1\}$ for $0 \leq i \leq s$ and $0 \leq n_i \leq 2t$ for $0 \leq i \leq s-1$. This is because each γ_j must contain at least one bit $\in \{0, 1\}$ until there have been s bits $\neq \{*\}$.

Therefore, to describe γ given s and t , we can use a string of the form $\bar{z} y_{n_i} y_{b_i}$ with z giving instructions to interpret the next $s \log 2t = |y_{n_i}|$ bits as values of n_1, \dots, n_s (as $n_i \leq 2t$ for $1 \leq i \leq s-1$) and to interpret y_{b_i} with $|y_{b_i}| = s$ as the s b_i 's.

We have shown that

$$K(\gamma|s, t) \leq s \log 2t + s + c_2 \quad (1)$$

Claim: $K(\rho|f, l, s) \leq \log \binom{n}{l-s} + n - l + s \log 8t + c$.

Proof: Given f, l, s , we can build ρ with a description of the form $\bar{z} y_{\rho'} y_{\gamma}$ where $y_{\rho'}$ is a string of length $\log \binom{n}{l-s} + n - l + s + c_1$ and y_{γ} is a string of length $s \log 2t + s + c_2$.

Building such a $y_{\rho'}$ is possible as $\rho' \in R^{l-s}$ and building such a y_{γ} is possible by (1) above.

\bar{z} will have constant length and will contain the following instructions:

- Use f to find n and t .
- Use s and t to compute $|y_\gamma| = s \log 2t + s + c_2$.
- Use $y_{\rho'}$ to compute ρ' and y_γ to compute γ .
- Express f as $f = \bigwedge_i D_i$ and find $i_1 = \min\{i : \rho'(D_i) \neq 1\}$.
- Use D_{i_1} and γ_1 to find

$$\text{dom}(\pi_1) = \{\text{variables in } D_{i_1}, \text{ corresponding to non-stars in } \gamma_1\}$$

Recall that γ_1 is just the first t variables in γ so γ_1 is given once γ has been found.

Note:

$$\pi_1 = \rho'|_{\text{dom}(\pi_1)} \text{ as } \rho' = \rho \tilde{\pi}_1 \tilde{\pi}_2 \dots \tilde{\pi}_{k-1} \sigma$$

- Build π_1 as follows:

$$\pi_1(i) = \begin{cases} * & i \notin \text{dom}(\pi_1) \\ \gamma_j \oplus \tilde{\pi}_1(i) & x_i = j^{\text{th}} \text{ variable in } D_{i_1} \end{cases}$$

- Let

$$i_2 = \min\{i : \rho \pi_1 \tilde{\pi}_2 \tilde{\pi}_3 \dots \tilde{\pi}_{k-1} \sigma(D_i) \neq 1\}.$$

As above, find $\text{dom}(\pi_2)$ and build π_2 . Continuing in this manner, build $\pi_3, \dots, \pi_{k-1}, \sigma$. (Recall that s is given so we know when σ has been found.)

- Finally,

$$\rho = \rho'|_{\{1..n\} \setminus \text{dom}(\pi_1 \dots \pi_{k-1} \sigma)}.$$

Thus, using $\bar{z} y_{\rho'} y_\gamma$ we can find ρ and we have shown that

$$\begin{aligned} K(\rho|f, l, s) &\leq \log \binom{n}{l-s} + n - l + s + c_1 + s \log 2t + s + c_2 \\ &= \log \binom{n}{l-s} + n - l + s \log 8t + c \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof.