BOOLEAN CIRCUITS

(CONTD.)

Karp-Lipton Theorem

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Parity is in NC¹.

Does every problem in P admit an efficient parallel implementation?

In other words, is P = NC?

P-Completeness

A language is P-complete if it is in P and every language in P is **log-space reducible** to it.

P-Completeness: Consequences

Let L be a P-complete language. Then,

L belongs to NC if and only if P = NC. L belongs to L if and only if P = L.

(L is the class of all languages that can be decided in log-space.)

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SAT <u>cannot</u> be solved in polynomial time *and* poly-logarithmic space.

Definition

TISP(T(n),S(n)) := the set of languages decided by a TM M that on every input x:

- takes at most O(T(n)) steps, and,
- uses at most O(S(n)) cells of its read-write tape;

where n := |x|.

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The configuration graph has:

- 1. nodes that require n^2 bits to describe,
- an accepting path of length at most n¹² on inputs that belong to L

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[Proof on board]