

## Seminar 19. Boolean circuits II. Circuits, Algorithms and Complexity

If the basis is not described in the problem's statement, then you shall use the common basis  $\{\neg, \wedge, \vee\}$ .

If a graph is mentioned in the problem, it is assumed that the circuit has  $\binom{n}{2}$  inputs, each of them corresponds to an edge (if one is on the input then there is the edge in the graph).

1. Construct a polynomial circuit that computes  $\text{MAJ}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ . (Recall that Majority is a boolean function  $\text{MAJ}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  that returns the most frequent value among  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ . Assume that if the numbers of zeroes and ones are the same then Majority returns 0.)
2. A boolean function  $L(x_1, \dots, x_n; y_1, \dots, y_n)$  computes which binary number on the input is greater. Formally, it returns 1 if and only if  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)_2 < (y_1, \dots, y_n)_2$ . Construct a boolean circuit of size  $O(n)$  that computes  $L(x_1, \dots, x_n; y_1, \dots, y_n)$ .
3. **a)** Construct a polynomial boolean circuit that "sorts" bits on the input. Formally if the input is  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  and exactly  $k$  variables are assigned to 1 then on the output  $(y_1, \dots, y_n)$  first  $k$  bits are equal to 1 and all the rest are equal to zero. **b)** Construct the circuit with gates  $\{\wedge, \vee\}$ .
4. Prove that each boolean function  $f: \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  is computable by a circuit of size  $O(2^n)$ . (Upgrade a DNF construction or design a recursive construction).
5. Construct a polynomial circuit for the function  $f: \{0, 1\}^{\binom{n}{2}} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  that equals one if and only if the input graph is connected and contains the Eulerian cycle.
6. Let  $n = k + 2^k$ . Pointer function  $f(x_1, \dots, x_k, y_0, \dots, y_{2^k-1})$  equals  $y_x$ , where  $x$  is a number with binary representation  $x_1 \dots x_k$ . Construct a polynomial scheme for the pointer function.
7. Prove that you can arbitrary define a boolean function  $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{2n})$  on all the tuples  $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{2n})$  with exactly  $n$  zeroes and after that you can define it on the rest tuples so that  $f$  would be a monotone boolean function.

Recall that boolean function  $f: \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  is *monotone* if for all pairs  $(x_1, \dots, x_n), (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \{0, 1\}^n$  the condition  $\forall i x_i \leq y_i$  implies  $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) \leq f(y_1, \dots, y_n)$ .

8. Prove that for all sufficiently large  $n$  there exists a monotone Boolean function  $f: \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ , that is not computable by any circuit of size less than  $n^{100}$ .

## Home Assignment 19

If the basis is not described in the problem's statement, then you shall use the common basis  $\{\neg, \wedge, \vee\}$ .

1. Construct a polynomial circuit that verifies whether an  $n$ -bit binary number on the input is divisible by 3.
2. A triangle in a graph is a triple of vertices connected to each other. Consider the input of a function  $T: \{0, 1\}^{\binom{n}{2}} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  as an undirected graph on  $n$  vertices and put  $T(G) = 1$  if and only if  $G$  has no triangles. Construct a polynomial circuit that computes the function  $T$ .
3. Construct a polynomial circuit for the function  $f: \{0, 1\}^{\binom{n}{2}} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ , that returns 1 if and only if the input graph is two-colorable.
4. A Boolean function  $W(u_1, \dots, u_\ell; x_1, \dots, x_n)$  returns 1 if and only if the binary word  $u_1 u_2 \dots u_\ell$  is a subword of the binary word  $x_1 x_2 \dots x_n$  i.e. for some  $0 \leq k \leq n - \ell$  the equalities  $x_{k+i} = u_i$  hold. Construct a polynomial circuit that computes  $W$ .
5. A boolean function  $f: \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  is *symmetric* if its value does not depend on the permutation of its input bits. For example  $f(1, 0, 1, 0) = f(1, 1, 0, 0) = f(1, 0, 0, 1)$  for a symmetric  $f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)$ . Prove that any symmetric boolean function is computable by a polynomial circuit.
6. Prove that each boolean function  $f: \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  is computable by a circuit with gates  $\{\oplus, \wedge, 1\}$  of size of at most  $2^{n+1}$ .
7. Construct a polynomial boolean circuit with gates  $\{\wedge, \vee\}$  that computes  $\text{MAJ}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ .