

What is computable w/ $O(n)$ size cts?

- Addition of two n -bit #'s

OPEN: Mult??

- Error correcting codes (Spielman '95)

$\exists \epsilon, \forall n$, matrix $E_n \in \mathbb{F}^{4n \times n}$
s.t. $\forall x \neq y \in \{0,1\}^n$,

$$H(E_n(x), E_n(y)) > \epsilon \cdot n$$

- Universal hash fns.

Let $H_n \subseteq \{f: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^m\}$

H_n is universal if $\forall x \neq y, \Pr_{h \in H_n} [h(x) = h(y)] = \frac{1}{2^m}$.

same prob. as if h were uniform random

Interesting when $|H_n|$ is small, like $n^{O(1)}$.

Thm [Ishai et al. '08]

$\exists \{H_n\}$ s.t. $\forall n, H_n$ is universal and $\forall h \in H_n, C_{\mathbb{R}^2}(h) \leq O(n)$.

Disproved a 20-year-old conjecture

Conj: (A.N. Kolmogorov) $\exists k \quad P \subseteq SIZE(O(n^k)). (!)$

↑ Would imply $P \neq NP$: $P = NP \Rightarrow \Sigma_2 P = P$
 $\Rightarrow P \notin SIZE(O(n^k)), \forall k...$

Why??

Hilbert's 13th Problem:

"Can all continuous fns on 3 vars be represented with a finite # of cont. fns on 2 vars?"

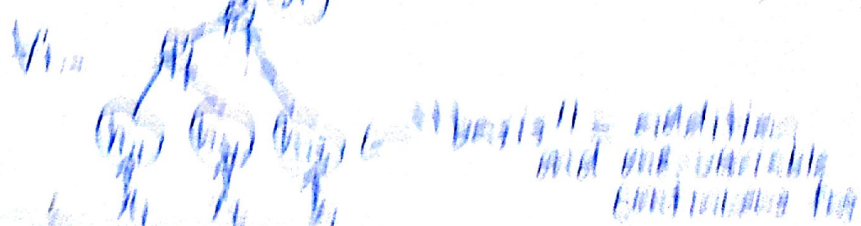
(kt complexity in the continuous world...)

YES!

Thm [Kol - Arnold '57] For all cont. $f: [0,1]^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$,

$$\exists g_i, h_{ij} \text{ st. } f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \sum_{i=1}^7 g_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^3 h_{ij}(x_j) \right)$$

(one-var fns need ADD $(x,y): \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ also!)



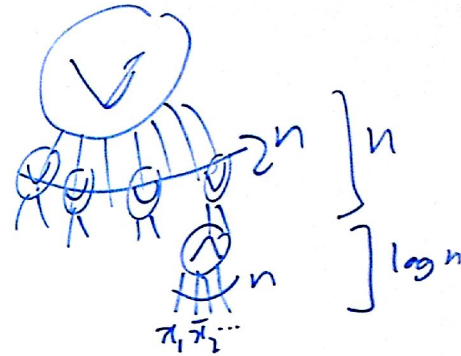
(Generalizing to all continuous $f: [0,1]^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $[0,1]^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$)

Circuit Depth.

$\mathcal{B}_2 = \text{basis}, f \in \mathcal{B}_n, D(f) = \text{min depth of a ckt computing } f.$
 $C(f) = \text{ckt compl of } f.$

Prop. $D(f) \leq n + \log n$

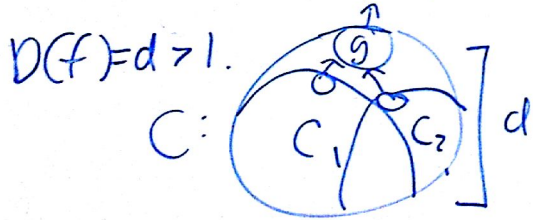
Pf. Build an OR of ANDs (DNF) from the truth table of f :



Thm: $C(f) \leq 2^{D(f)} - 1$

Pf. Induction on $D(f)$. ($D(f) \geq \log_2 C(f)$)

$D(f) = 1 \Rightarrow C(f) = 1$ ✓



C_1, C_2 depth $d-1$.

IH $\Rightarrow \exists 2^{d-1} - 1$ ckt's

$C_1' + C_2'$ (formula!)

||| |||
 $C_1 \quad C_2$



has size $2 \cdot (2^{d-1} - 1) + 1 = 2^d - 1. \square$

When is $D(f) \in O(\log C(f))$?

Best known: Thm (Paterson & Valiant '77)

$$D(f) \leq O\left(\frac{C(f)}{\log C(f)}\right).$$

Given ckt of size s , \exists depth $O(s/\log s)$ formula
of size $\geq 2^{O(s/\log s)}$.

Analogies with Uniform Complexity

① ALG TIME \approx CKT SIZE

"TIME:ALGS :: SIZE:CKTS"

$$\rightarrow \text{TIME}(f) \subset \text{SIZE}(f^{O(1)})$$

\rightarrow Size s ckts sim. in $s^{O(1)}$ time:

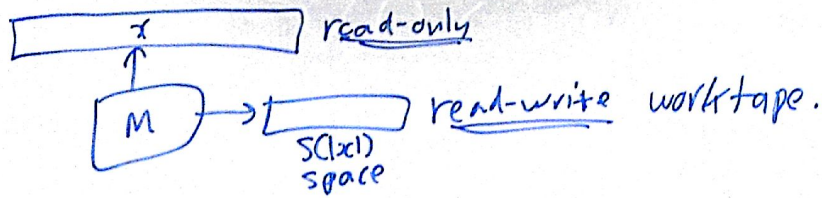
$$| \text{Ckt Eval} | = \{ (C, x) \mid \text{ckt } C \text{ on input } x \text{ outputs } 1 \}$$

Prop: $|\text{Ckt Eval}| \in P$. (In fact, "P-complete")

② ALG SPACE \approx CKT DEPTH
(not perfect analogy...)

Let's briefly recall space complexity.

Space $s(n)$ machine M :
 (note, TM model doesn't affect results... can use practically any other model)



Def. $L \subseteq \{0,1\}^*$ is in space $s(n)$ if $\exists c, \exists$ TM M st. $\forall x, M(x)$ uses $\leq c \cdot s(|x|) + c$ cells on worktape.

$SPACE[s(n)] \triangleq \{L \mid L \text{ is in space } s(n)\}$.

Let $CircEval D = \{(C, x, d) \mid C \text{ has depth } d \wedge (C, x) \in CircEval\}$

Thm [Borodin '77] $CircEval D \in SPACE[d + \log n]$.

Pf: Implement pf that $C(f) \leq^{D(f)}$ Recall $SP(s) \subseteq T(2^{O(s)})$ but $T(2^{O(s)}) \subseteq SP(s)$.
 (???)

$Eval(C, x, b) \searrow$ return true iff $C(x) = b$

$O(\log n)$ space \leftarrow Find output gate g of C .
 g is an input \rightarrow return true iff $g = b$.

$O(\log n)$ space \leftarrow Let g_1, g_2 be inputs to g .
 $C_{g_i} :=$ subcircuit of C with $g_i =$ output. (contains all predecessors of g_i)

"push (b_1, b_2) " on stack.

push $1/0$ on a stack

$O(1)$ bits per gate on largest path.

then pop when call returns

For all $(b_1, b_2) \in \{0,1\}^2$ s.t. $g(b_1, b_2) = b$,

if $Eval(C_{g_1}, x, b_1) \wedge Eval(C_{g_2}, x, b_2)$ then return true

End for
 return false

push $1/0$ on stack.

Cor. $NC^1 \text{ Ckt Eval} \in \text{SPACE}(\log n)$
 $\{ (C, x) \mid C \text{ has depth } 100 \cdot \log|x| + C(x) = 1 \}$.

Opposite direction.

Thm [Ruzzo?] For $d(n) \geq \log n$,
 $\text{SPACE}(d) \subseteq \text{SIZE-DEPTH}(2^{O(d)}, d^2)$.

\Downarrow langs computable by ckt families of size $2^{O(d)}$ & depth $O(d^2)$.

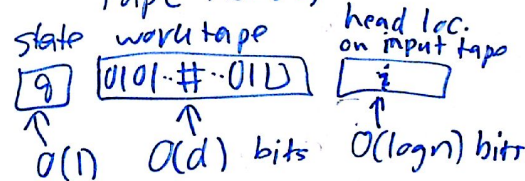
Idea: Reduce $L \in \text{SP}(d)$ to iterative Boolean matrix mult then solve the matrix mult in low depth.

Need a few concepts...

For TM M w/ input x , cfg graph $G_{M,x}$ has:

nodes = cfgs: strings encoding positions of tape heads, machine state, work tape content.

\downarrow
 $2^{O(d)}$ nodes

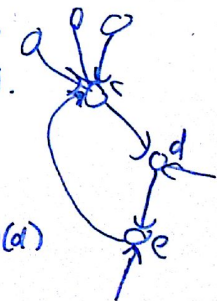


$\longrightarrow O(d + \log n)$ bits.

directed edges = $\{ (c, d) \mid \text{running } M(x) \text{ from } c \text{ reaches } d \text{ in 1 step} \}$.

[could also add self-loops (c, c) "TM runs forever doing nothing" after acc/rej]

Let $A_{M,x}$ = adj matrix of $G_{M,x}$. $A_{M,x} \in \{0,1\}^{2^{O(d)} \times 2^{O(d)}}$.



Def BMM of $n \times n$ $A \in \mathcal{B}$:

$$(A * B)(i, j) = \bigvee_k (A(i, k) \wedge B(k, j))$$

$$A^2 = (A * A), \quad A^k = A * A^{k-1}$$

Claim: Let $s = \text{start node of } G_{M, x}$ (start cfg)

$$M(x) \text{ acc. in } \leq t \text{ steps} \iff \bigvee_{\substack{\text{"accept nodes"} \\ a}} (A_{M, x})^t [s, a] = 1.$$

Pf. $M(x)$ acc in $\leq t$ steps

$\iff \exists$ cfgs $s, c_1, \dots, c_{t-1}, a \in \text{"accept nodes"}$
 $(s, c_1), (c_1, c_2), \dots, (c_{t-1}, a)$ edges in $G_{M, x}$

$$\iff \bigvee_{\substack{s, c_1, \dots, a \\ \text{acc node}}} (A_{M, x}(s, c_1) \wedge \dots \wedge A_{M, x}(c_{t-1}, a)) = 1$$

$$\iff \bigvee_a (A_{M, x})^t [s, a] = 1 \quad \square$$

Claim: $\forall TM M, \exists 2^{O(d)}$ -size $O(d)$ -depth circuit C

$$\text{s.t. } C(x, c, c') = A_{M, x}(c, c')$$

Pf: Given cfgs c and c' , can check that $C \stackrel{M, x}{\vdash} c'$ in $\text{poly}(|c|, |c'|)$ size and $O(\log(|c| \cdot |c'|))$ depth.
 $2^{O(d)}$ bits \nearrow Each bit of c' depends on $O(1)$ bits of $c \dots$

simulate this
w/ $t = 2^{O(d)}$
in $2^{O(d)}$ size
and $O(d^2)$ depth

Claim: $A, B \in \{0,1\}^{n \times n}$,
 Can comp. $(A \times B)$ in $O(n^3)$ size + $O(\log n)$ depth.

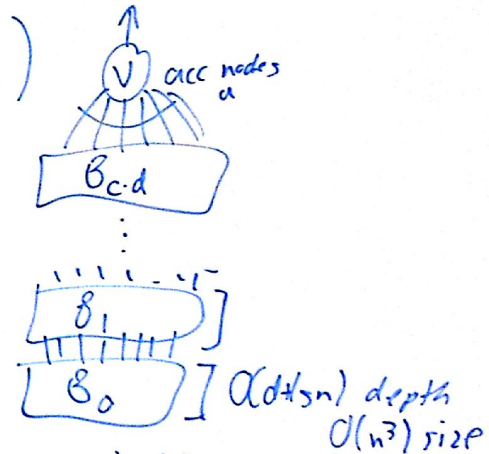
Pf: Each output bit is an OR of n ANDs of 2 inputs. \square

Final ckt will iteratively square $A_{m,x}$:

$$B_0 := A_{m,x}$$

$$\text{For } i=1, \dots, c.d, \quad B_i := (B_{i-1} * B_{i-1})$$

$$\text{Output} \left(\bigvee_{\substack{\text{acc} \\ \text{nodes} \\ a}} B_{c.d}(s, a) \right)$$



$$\Rightarrow O((d+\log n) \cdot d) \text{ depth,}$$

$$O(n^3 \cdot c.d) \text{ size. } \square$$

Cor. $\text{NSPACE}[d] \subset \text{SIZE-DEPTH}[2^{O(d)}, d^2]$

(fg graphs are same... except nodes have outdeg ≥ 1 ...)

$$\text{NC}^2 \triangleq \bigcup_{k \geq 1} \text{SIZE-DEPTH}[n^k, \log^2 n]$$

Cor. $\text{NLOGSPACE} \subset \text{NC}^2$. (Improve to NC^1 ?? Open!)
 (SNC¹ ?? Open!)