

CS 254 Midterm

Grading

- Due 2014-02-20 @ 2pm. (Right before class).
- Please send all submissions (both L^AT_EXed and *neatly* handwritten) to cs254-win1314-hw@lists.stanford.edu

Problem 1

Show that there is an oracle A and a language $L \in \text{NP}^A$ such that L is not polynomial time reducible to 3SAT even when the machine computing the reduction is allowed access to A .

Problem 2

Prove that $\text{EXP} \cap \text{P}_{/\text{poly}} \not\subseteq P$.

Problem 3

Show that if $\text{P} = \text{NP}$, then there is a language in EXP that requires circuits of size $\frac{2^n}{10n}$.

Problem 4

Show that $\text{Size}(O(n^{\log n})) \not\subseteq \text{BPP}$.

Problem 5

$P^{\text{NP}[k]}$ is the set of languages decidable by a polynomial time TM that makes k adaptive queries to an NP oracle. $P_{\parallel}^{\text{NP}[k]}$ is the set of languages decidable by a polynomial time TM that makes k parallel queries to an NP oracle. (The TM does some computation, writes down k queries, queries the oracle, receives k responses, does some more computation, and terminates.)

Prove: $P^{\text{NP}[k]} \subseteq P_{\parallel}^{\text{NP}[2^k-1]}$ and $P_{\parallel}^{\text{NP}[2^k-1]} \subseteq P^{\text{NP}[k+1]}$