

CS221 LECTURE 9

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Today:  $BPP \subseteq P / \text{poly}$  $BPP \subseteq PH$ 

+ other stuff.

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Last time

Definition of  $BPP_{c,s}$  $L \in BPP_{c,s}$  if  $\exists$  polytime  $m(\cdot, \cdot)$  s.t. $\forall x$ 

$$x \in L \Rightarrow \Pr_y [m(x,y) = 1] \geq c$$

$$x \notin L \Rightarrow \Pr_y [m(x,y) = 1] \leq s$$

Regular BPP  $c = 2/3, s = 1/3$ Weak BPP  $c - s = \frac{1}{\text{poly}(n)}$ Strong BPP  $c = 1 - \exp(-\text{poly}(n)), s = \exp(-\text{poly}(n))$

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Amplification Thm: Strong BPP = Weak BPP

Application ①:  $BPP \subseteq P/poly$ .

Proof: Idea: Want to show  $\exists$  single  $y$  for which  
 $M(x,y) = L(x) \quad \forall x \in \{0,1\}^n$ .

Idea: Work with "Strong BPP"

$$C = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}; \quad S = \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$$

$\forall x \in \{0,1\}^n$

$$\Pr_y [M(x,y) \neq L(x)] \leq \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} \triangleq \delta$$

$$\Pr_y \left[ \exists x \ M(x,y) \neq L(x) \right] \leq \underbrace{2^n \cdot \delta}_{\uparrow} \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

Union Bound

$\Rightarrow \exists y$  st.  $\forall x \ M(x,y) = L(x)$ .

Use  $y$  as advice !!

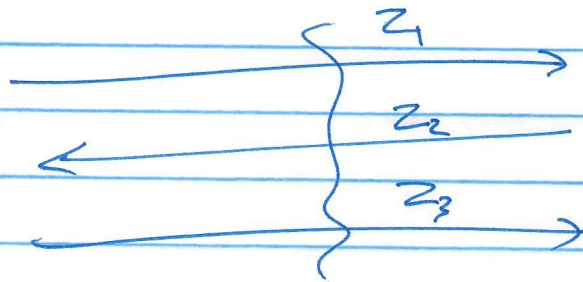


Application 2: BPP  $\subseteq$  PIT

Recall PIT = Debate

Alice "x  $\in$  L"

Bob "x  $\notin$  L"



$$\forall (x, z_1, z_2, z_3) = 1 \Leftrightarrow x \in L.$$

Ideas that don't work

Alice  $\rightarrow$  Bob "y" s.t.  $M(x, y) = 1$   
 (exists  $\forall x$ )

Bob  $\rightarrow$  Alice "y" s.t.  $M(x, y) = 0$ .  
 (also exists  $\forall x$ )

Really need to utilize/prove "many" such y's exist.

### Idea of Proof

- if  $S \subseteq \{0,1\}^m$  [ $m = |y|$ ]

• if  $|S|$  large, then random shifts of  $S$  cover  $\{0,1\}^m$

- if  $|S|$  small, random shifts leave most of  $\{0,1\}^m$  uncovered.

Verifying Idea: random shift = permutations  $\pi_i: \{0,1\}^m \rightarrow \{0,1\}^m$

① Assume  $|S| \geq \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2^m$

$\vdots$  "  
 $\pi_m$  "  
 $\pi_{m+1}$  "

if  $\pi_1, \dots, \pi_{m+1}$  are random permutations, fix  $x \in \{0,1\}^m$

$$\Pr_{\pi_1, \dots, \pi_{m+1}} [\exists i \text{ s.t. } M(x, \pi_i(y)) = 1] = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{m+1}}$$

$$\Pr [\forall i \quad M(x, \pi_i(y)) = 0] \leq 2^{-(m+1)}$$

$$\Pr [\exists y \forall i \quad M(x, \pi_i(y)) = 0] \leq 2^m \cdot 2^{-(m+1)} \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists \pi_1, \dots, \pi_{m+1} \forall y \exists i \quad M(x, \pi_i(y)) = 1.$$



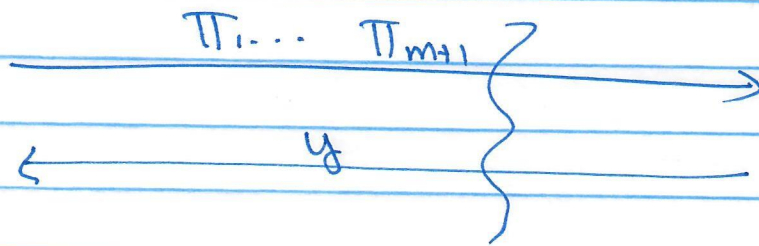
② Now if  $|S| \leq \frac{1}{2^{m+1}} \cdot 2^m$

then  $\Pr_y \left[ \exists i \text{ s.t. } m(x, \pi_i(y)) = 1 \right] \leq \frac{1}{2}$

fix  $\pi_1 \dots \pi_{m+1}$

$\Rightarrow \forall \pi_1 \dots \pi_{m+1} \exists y \text{ s.t. } \forall i \ m(x, \pi_i(y)) = 0$

Put Together



$\exists i \text{ s.t. } m(x, \pi_i(y)) = 1 ?$

Almost works: Problem = ?

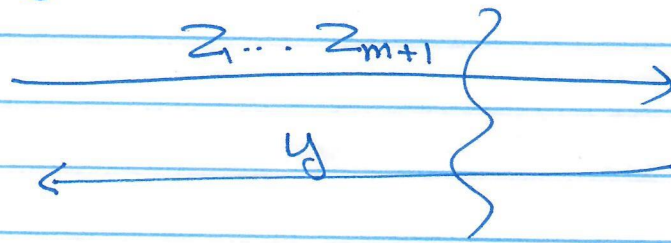
$\pi_i$  "too random"; need  $m \cdot 2^m$  bits to describe ...

Simpler  $\pi_i \rightarrow$  Pick  $z_i \in \{0,1\}^m$  at random

$\pi_i(y) = z_i \oplus y$  [bitwise XOR]

Has all randomness properties for above analysis  $\square$ .

Resulting Protocol



V: Accept if  $\exists i$  s.t.  $M(x, z_i \oplus y) = 1$ .

Neat aspect of proof: Neither Alice / Bob need to be "superpowerfull" to play their part whp.

Crucial Role of Amplification:

BPP  $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2^{m+1}}$

where  $m = \#$  random bits.  
(not bytes input).

Why is this ok?

Neat aspect of proof: Neither Alice nor Bob need to be "superpowerfull" to play their part whp.

Alice can pick  $z_1 \dots z_m$  purely at random  
 Bob can pick  $y$  " " " "



• "Effectivity used by "Goldwasser-Spencer" to ~~prove~~ give a counting proof" ... will see later in course.

• [Fortnow]: ~~Promise~~ - BPP

$$P = \text{Promise-RP} \Rightarrow P = \text{Promise-BPP.}$$

• Proof:

~~$$L = \{ (x, z_1 \dots z_{m+1}) \mid \Pr_y [ \bigwedge_{i=1}^{m+1} M(x, y, z_i) = 1 ] \geq \frac{1}{2} \}$$~~

$$M'((x, z_1 \dots z_{m+1}); y) = 1 \quad \text{if } \forall i \cdot M(x, y, z_i) = 1$$

~~$$x \in L \Leftrightarrow \Pr_y [ M' = 1 ] \geq \frac{1}{2}$$~~

$$L'_y = \{ (x, z_1 \dots z_{m+1}) \mid \Pr_y [ M'(\cdot; y) = 1 ] \geq \frac{1}{2} \}$$

$$L'_N = \{ (x, z_1 \dots z_{m+1}) \mid \Pr_y [ \cdot = 1 ] \leq 0 \}$$

$$\Rightarrow L' \in \text{Promise-RP} \Rightarrow L' \in P$$

Now consider  $M''((x; z_1 \dots z_{m+1})) = 1$  if  $(x, z_1 \dots z_{m+1}) \in L'$   
 $= 0$  o.w.

~~$$\text{if } x \in L \Leftrightarrow \Pr_y \left[ \bigwedge_{z_1 \dots z_{m+1}} M''(x, z_1 \dots z_{m+1}) \right]$$~~

$$L''_y = \{ x \mid \Pr_{z_1 \dots z_{m+1}} [ (x, z_1 \dots z_{m+1}) \in L' ] \geq \frac{1}{2} \} \quad L''_N = [ \cdot ] \leq 0.$$

$$L'' \in \text{Promise-RP} \Rightarrow L'' \in P. \quad \square$$

Aside:

Randomized log Space

RL	→ One-sided error	} Need to insist
BPL	→ two-sided error.	
		run time = Poly(n).
		+ space = O(log n).

Famous RL problem: Undirected st conn.

- Graph G undirected, (s,t) vertices in G
- Question:  $\exists$  path from s to t in G
- in RL: take a random walk
- Also also in L [Reingold '04]: take <sup>all of.</sup> CS221 + ~~not~~ more...

•  $RL \subseteq NL \subseteq L^2$

$BPL \subseteq L^2$  [Sevitch?]

State of Art  $BPL \subseteq L^{3/2}$  !