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$$F = \left(\bigwedge_{i=1}^{n} \left(\bigvee_{j=1}^{m} L_{i,j} \right) \right)$$

- **Non-deterministically pick a truth assignment.**
  Represent this in a look-up table.
  [linear in number of literals]

- **Check if truth assignment satisfies F.**
  [quadratic – because of comparison of input with table entries]

- **Formally, we need to do this on a TM – the encoding is a bit unwieldy, but straightforward.**

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- **Give a logical formula which transforms computations of a TM M with input string u into a formula f(u) s.t.**

  u is accepted   iff   f(u) is satisfiable.

- **+ show that transformation is polynomial.**

- **[f(u) doesn't have to be in CNF because of Exercise 30]**

Encoding

ND TM M:

- **states: $q_0,...,q_m$**
- **alphabet: $B=a_0,...,a_t$**
- **accepting state: q_m**
- **rejecting state: q_{m-1} (only one)**

p(n)   polynomial which is upper bound to number of computations

Boolean variables:

- **$Q_{i,k}$ M is in state q_i at time k**
- **$P_{j,k}$ Tape head is in position j at time k**
- **$S_{j,r,k}$ Tape position j contains symbol a_r at time k**

SAT is NP-hard: Clauses *i* & *ii*

	Clause	Conditions	Interpretation
i)	State $$\bigvee_{i=0}^{m} Q_{i,k}$$	$0 \leq k \leq p(n)$	For each time k, M is in at least one state [p(n) clauses, m literals each]
	$\neg Q_{i,k} \vee \neg Q_{i',k}$	$0 \leq i < i' \leq m$ $0 \leq k \leq p(n)$	M is in at most one state at any time [$O(m^2) \times p(n)$ clauses]
ii)	Tape head $$\bigvee_{j=0}^{p(n)} P_{j,k}$$	$0 \leq k \leq p(n)$	For each time k, the tape head is in at least one position [p(n) clauses, p(n) literals each]
	$\neg P_{j,k} \vee \neg P_{j',k}$	$0 \leq j < j' \leq p(n)$ $0 \leq k \leq p(n)$	…and at most one position [$O(p(n)^3)$ clauses]

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SAT is NP-hard: Clause *iii*

	Clause	Conditions	Interpretation
iii)	Symbols $$\bigvee_{r=0}^{t} S_{j,r,k}$$	$0 \leq j \leq p(n)$ $0 \leq k \leq p(n)$	For each time k and position j, position j contains at least one symbol [p(n)² clauses, t literals each]
	$\neg S_{j,r,k} \vee \neg S_{j,r',k}$	$0 \leq j \leq p(n)$ $0 \leq r < r' \leq t$ $0 \leq k \leq p(n)$	… and at most one symbol [O(t²) × p(n)² clauses]

SAT is NP-hard: Clauses *iv* & *v*

	Clause	Interpretation
iv)	Initialization $Q_{0,0}$	Begin in state 0
	$P_{0,0}$	…reading leftmost tape cell (position 0)
	$S_{0,0,0}$	…which contains a blank (symbol 0)
	$S_{1,r1,0}$	The next n symbols contain the input string,
	$S_{2,r2,0}$	which we'll denote $a_{r1}, a_{r2}, \dots a_{rn}$
	…	
	$S_{n,rn,0}$	
	$S_{n+1,0,0}$	And the rest of the tape contains blanks…
	…	
	$S_{p(n),0,0}$	… for the entire accessible portion
v)	Final state $Q_{m,p(n)}$	The computation ends in q_m – the accepting state

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A computation that satisfies all of these clauses still doesn't necessarily follow the rules of the machine, M.

Each state/symbol/position after time 0 must be obtained from the transition rules of M.

Tape Consistency

	Clause	Conditions	Interpretation
vi)	Tape Changes $\neg S_{j,r,k} \vee P_{j,k} \vee S_{j,r,k+1}$	$0 \leq j \leq p(n)$ $0 \leq r \leq t$ $0 \leq k \leq p(n)$	Symbols not at the position of the tape head are unchanged [$p(n)^2 \times t$ clauses]

$$\neg Q_{i,k} \vee \neg P_{j,k} \vee \neg S_{j,r,k} \vee Q_{i',k+1}$$

If none of these are satisfied, then we are in state q_i and position j scanning symbol a_r at time k

In that case, the next state must be $Q_{i'}$ or the clause is not satisfied.

For <u>each</u> $\delta(q_i, a_r) = [q_{i'}, ?, ?]$

$$\neg Q_{i,k} \vee \neg P_{j,k} \vee \neg S_{j,r,k} \vee S_{j,r',k+1}$$

If none of these are satisfied, then we are in state Q_i and position P_j scanning symbol S_r at time k

In that case, the next symbol at position j must be $S_{r'}$ or the clause is not satisfied.

For <u>each</u> $\delta(q_i, a_r) = [?, a_{r'}, ?]$

$$\neg Q_{i,k} \lor \neg P_{j,k} \lor \neg S_{j,r,k} \lor P_{j+n(d),k+1}$$

If none of these are satisfied, then we are in state Q_i and position P_j scanning symbol S_r at time k

In that case, the tape head will move either one position left or one position right.

Where $n(L) = -1$, and $n(R) = +1$
For <u>each</u> $\delta(q_i, a_r) = [?, ?, L/R]$

The conjunction of these three clause types ensures that if we are in a certain state, reading a particular symbol at a particular time, we must be in the right configuration, according to δ in the following time step.

These are <u>machine dependent.</u>

Consistency clauses are constructed for every time, state, tape head position and tape symbol.

However, if we are scanning position 0 and attempt to move left, we go directly to the rejecting state.

We've been talking like there is only one transition for each state/symbol pair, but this is a <u>non-deterministic</u> Turing machine, right?

Let trans(i, j, r, k) be the disjunction of all the consistency clause sets for i, j, r, k. The resulting clause ensures that we are in <u>some</u> valid configuration following each transition.

	Clause	Interpretation
vi)	<u>Halted</u>	
	$\neg Q_{i,k} \vee \neg P_{j,k} \vee \neg S_{j,r,k} \vee Q_{i,k+1}$	same state
	$\neg Q_{i,k} \vee \neg P_{j,k} \vee \neg S_{j,r,k} \vee P_{j,k+1}$	same tape head position
	$\neg Q_{i,k} \vee \neg P_{j,k} \vee \neg S_{j,r,k} \vee S_{j,r,k+1}$	same symbol at position r

For all appropriate j, r, k, and i = q_{m-1},
and i = q_m

We've defined a set of wff that are satisfiable if (and only if) some computation of ND TM M leads to an accepting final state.

Can the formula be created from any NDTM M *in polynomial time?*

- The values *m* and *t* are independent of the size of the input string. They <u>don't grow with *n*</u>.
- The number of clauses is polynomial in *p*(*n*).

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