

Complexity of Boolean functions

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Homework 9

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Exercise 1:

- a) Show that Claim 1 and Claim 2 at page 161 of the lecture notes imply the lower bound $\frac{1}{6} \binom{s}{r-1}^{s/2}$.
- b) Prove Corollary 4.2 of the lecture.

Exercise 2:

Develop an algorithm which computes for each node g of a given monotone network β $\text{DNF}_\beta(g)$ and $\text{CNF}_\beta(g)$.

Exercise 3:

- a) Describe a CNF/DNF-switch.
- b) Let α be a DNF-formula (CNF-formula). Prove that the formula γ obtained by a DNF/CNF-switch (CNF/DNF-switch) computes the same function as α .

Exercise 4:

Consider the lower bound proof for the clique function which uses DNF/CNF-approximators.

- a) Show that the number of inputs in T_1 for which the approximator D_g^r could introduce an error is bounded by $\binom{m-r}{s-r} \left(\frac{m}{4s}\right)^r$.
- b) Show that the number of inputs in T_0 for which the approximator C_g^k could introduce an error is bounded by $\left(\frac{s}{2}\right)^k (s-1)^{m-k}$.
- c) Show that either $C_{g_0}^k$ computes the constant function one or $C_{g_0}^k$ computes the value of at least half of the inputs in T_1 incorrectly.
- d) Prove Theorem 5.1 of the lecture.