INPUT RELATION AND COMPUTATIONAL COMPLEXITY

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ABSTRACT. This paper describes about complexity of PH problems by using “Almost all monotone circuit family” and “Accept input pair that sandwich reject inputs”.

Explained in Michael Sipser “Introduction to the Theory of COMPUTATION”, circuit family that emulate Deterministic Turing machine (DTM) are almost all monotone circuit family except some NOT-gate that connect input variables (like negation normal form (NNF)). Therefore, we can find out DTM limitation by using this “NNF Circuit family”.

To clarify NNF circuit family limitation, we pay attention to AND-gate and OR-gate relation. If two accept “Neighbor input” pair that sandwich reject “Boundary input” in Hamming distance, NNF circuit have to meet these different variables of neighbor inputs in AND-gate to differentiate boundary inputs. NNF circuit have to use unique AND-gate to identify such neighbor input.

The other hand, we can make neighbor input problem “Neighbor Tautology DNF problem (NTD)” in PH. NTD is subset of tautology DNF that do not become tautology if proper subset of one variable permutate positive / negative. NTD include many different variables which number is over polynomial size of input length. Therefore NNF circuit family that compute NTD are over polynomial size of length, and NTD that include PH is not in P.

1. NNF CIRCUIT FAMILY

Explained in Sipser Circuit Complexity section, Circuit family can emulate DTM only using NOT-gate in changing input values \{0, 1\} to \{01, 10\}. This “almost all monotone circuit family” have simple structure like monotone circuit family.

Definition 1.1.
We use term as following:
NNF : Negation Normal Form.
DTM : Deterministic Turing Machine
DNF : Disjunctive Normal Form.

In this paper, we will use words and theorems of References [Sipser].
To simplify, we treat DNF as set of clauses, and also treat clause as set of literals as far as it's all right with you.

**Definition 1.2.**

We will use the terms;
“NNF Circuit Family” as circuit family that have no NOT-gate except connecting INPUT-gates directly (like negation normal form).
“Input variable pair” as output pair of INPUT-gate and NOT-gate \{01, 10\} that correspond to an input variable \{0, 1\}.

Figure 1.1 is example of a NNF circuit. NNF circuit consist two subcircuit (NOT-gate subcircuit and Monotone subcircuit).

**Theorem 1.3.**

\[ t : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \] be a function where \[ t(n) \geq n \].

If \[ A \in \text{TIME}(t(n)) \] then NNF circuit family can emulate DTM that compute \[ A \] with \[ O(t^2(n)) \] gate.

**Proof.** This Proof is based on [Sipser] proof.

NNF circuit family can emulate DTM by computing every step’s cell values (and head state if head on the cell). Figure 1.2 shows part of a NNF circuit block diagram.

Input of this circuit is modified \( w_1 \cdots w_n \) to \( c_{1,1} \cdots c_{1,n} \), and finally output result at \( c_{out} = c_{t(n),1} \) cell. This circuit emulate DTM behavior, so \( c_{u,v} \) compute cell’s state of step \( u \) from previous step cell \( c_{u-1,v} \) and each side cells \( c_{u-1,v-1}, c_{u-1,v+1} \) (because head affect at most side cells in each step).

Figure 1.3 shows example of \( c_{u,v} \) sub circuit that transition function is “if state is \( q_k \) and tape value is 0, then move +1 and change state to \( q_m \).” This circuit shows
one of transition configuration which $(c_{u-1,v-1}, c_{u-1,v}, c_{u-1,v+1}) = (q_k, 0, q, 0)$. $q_-$ means “no head on the cell”.

Each OR-gate $\lor_{w,q}$ in $c_{u,v}$ correspond to every step’s cell condition (cell value $w$, and head status $q$ if head exist on the $c_{u,v}$ cell), and output 1 if and only if $c_{u,v}$ cell satisfy corresponding condition. Previous step’s $\lor$ output in $c_{u-1,v-1}, c_{u-1,v}, c_{u-1,v+1}$ are connected to next step’s AND-gate $\land$ in $c_{u,v}$ with transition wire. Each $\land$ correspond to transition function $\delta$, and each $\land$ output correspond to each transition function’s result of $c_{u,v}$. To simplify, NNF circuit include separate three gates $\land_{\delta,-1}, \land_{\delta,0}, \land_{\delta,+1}$ according to head exists position $c_{u-1,v-1}, c_{u-1,v}, c_{u-1,v+1}$, and special transition function $\delta_-$ which correspond to no head transition (keep current tape value). So $\land$ in $c_{u,v}$ output 1 if and only if previous step’s $\lor$ output in $c_{u-1,v-1}, c_{u-1,v}, c_{u-1,v+1}$ satisfy transition function $\delta$ condition. Each
transition functions affect (or do not affect) next step’s condition, so $\land \delta$ output is connected to $\lor w_{\cdot qm}$ in $c_{u,v}$ and decide $c_{u,v}$ condition. Because DTM have constant number of transition functions, NNF can compute each step’s cell by using constant number of AND-gates and OR-gates (without NOT-gate).

First step’s cells are handled in a special way. Input is $\{0,1\}^*$ and above monotone circuit cannot manage 0 value. So NNF circuit compute $\{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{01,10\}^*$ by using NOT-gate.

**Corollary 1.4.**

*NNF circuit family can compute P problem with polynomial number of gates of input length.*
Confirm NNF circuit family behavior. NNF circuit family can emulate DTM with polynomial number of gate of DTM computation time. All effective circuit become DAG that root is specified OUTPUT-gate. All gates that include effective circuit become 1 if OUTPUT-gate become 1. Especially, all different variables of input cannot overlay in same input, so all effective circuits (with different inputs) are join at OR-gate to connect OUTPUT-gate. This NNF circuit behavior clarify input exclusivity and symmetry.

**Definition 1.5.**

We will use the term;

"Neighbor input (pair)" as accept inputs pair that no accept inputs exists between these accept input with Hamming distance.
“Boundary input (set) of neighbor input” as reject inputs that exist between neighbor inputs in Hamming space.

“Different Variables” as all difference part of neighbor input pair.

“Same Variables” as all same part of neighbor input pair.

“Sandwich structure” as connected graph which nodes are accept inputs and edges are some of neighbor input pair in Hamming space.

Figure 1.5 shows example of sandwich structure which neighbor input pair is 0000111110011000 and 0000000000000000. In this case, ◦ ◦ ◦ ◦ 11111 ◦ ◦ ◦ ◦ and ◦ ◦ ◦ ◦ 00000 ◦ ◦ ◦ ◦ are different variables, and 0000 ◦ ◦ ◦ ◦ 00 ◦ ◦ 00 are same variables.

“Effective circuit of accept input t” as one of minimal sub circuit of NNF circuit that decide circuit output as 1 with accept input t. Effective circuit do not include
Figure 1.5. Sandwich structure

gates which output 0, or even if gate change output 0 and effective circuit keep output 1.

Figure 1.6 shows example of effective circuit which previous 1.1 and input \( \{x_1, x_2, x_3\} = \{1, 1, 0\} \). Dotted gates do not affect OUTPUT-gate even if the gate negate output, so effective circuit do not include them.

**Theorem 1.6.**

All input variable pair of different variables join OR-gate in effective circuit.

**Proof.** Because all input variable pair is \( \{01, 10\} \) and do not become \( \{00, 11\} \) in one input, and NNF circuit is almost monotone circuit, so effective circuit have to to join another input effective circuit with OR-gate before connecting OUTPUT-gate.

Figure 1.7 shows example of connectivg effective circuit which previous 1.1 and input \( \{x_1, x_2, x_3\} = \{1, 1, 0\}, \{0, 0, 1\} \). Effective circuit include one of input variable
pair, and other side of variable pair do not become 1. So AND-gate cannot meet another effective circuit.

□

Theorem 1.7.

NNF circuit have at least one unique AND-gate to differentiate neighbor input and boundary input.

That is, each different variables correspond to unique AND-gate.

Proof. Mentioned above 1.6 all accept input variable pair of different variables join at OR-gate. Because NNF circuit is almost all monotone circuit, there is two case of joining at OR-gate:

a) all different variables meet at AND-gate, and join at OR-gate after meeting AND-gate.
b) some partial different variables meet at AND-gate, and join at OR-gate these AND-gate output, and meet at AND-gate all OR-gate output.

Case a), some AND-gate become 1 if and only if input include one side of different variables. Therefore, trunk of these AND-gate does not become 1 if input AND-gate does not include these different variables.

Case b), because no boundary input become accept input, some OR-gate which join neighbor input become 0 if input is boundary input. That is, effective circuit become 0 if some of these OR-gate become 0, and become 1 if all of these OR-gate become 1. Therefore, it is necessary that effective circuit include AND-gate that meet all these OR-gate which join all different variables like [1,2]. Such AND-gate become 1 if and only if input include different variables of one side of neighbor input pair. That is, AND-gate correspond to each different variables.
Therefore, NNF circuit have at least one unique AND-gate that correspond to different variables to differentiate neighbor input and boundary input. □

That is to say, we can measure NNF circuit family size (that equal DTM computing time) by counting different variables of problem’s sandwich structure.

2. Sandwich structure

Consider sandwich structure of some problems. For example, $t_a = (x_1 \lor \overline{x_2}) \land (\overline{x_1} \lor x_3) \land x_2 \land x_3 \land x_4$ is one of negation of Horn SAT problem $\overline{HornSAT}$ (Accept if and only if Horn CNF is $\bot$). We can reduce $t_a$ easily to another accept input $t_r = (x_1 \_\_\_) \land (\overline{x_1} \lor x_3) \land x_2 \land x_3 \land x_4$ (\_: filler). This means that each $\overline{HornSAT}$ input are close each other, and number of $\overline{HornSAT}$ different variables type is not many.
This is one of reason that we can compute P problem easily.

**Theorem 2.1.**

Let $\overline{\text{HornSAT}}$ (negation of Horn SAT problem) as problem if and only if Horn CNF is $\bot$.

In $\overline{\text{HornSAT}}$, there is some sandwich structure which number of different variables is at most polynomial size.

**Proof.** $t \in \overline{\text{HornSAT}}$ can reduce another $t' \in \overline{\text{HornSAT}}$ that delete all literal $\overline{x_i}$ which $x_i = c \in t$. Therefore, $t$ can reduce $t'$ by deleting $\overline{x_i}$ one by one. From the view of sandwich structure, $\overline{x_i}$ can delete within constant different variables if $\overline{\text{HornSAT}}$ have ignore symbol like $\blacksquare$. Therefore, number of different variables of $t \in \overline{\text{HornSAT}}$ is at most constant size.
Consider number of different variables type in HornSAT. Because number of different variables is at most constant size, number of different variables type is combination of different variables:
\[
\binom{|t|}{k} = \frac{|t|!}{k!(|t|-k)!} < O\left(\frac{|t|^k}{k}ight)
\]
k : length of code
Therefore we obtain theorem.

\[\square\]

3. Neighbor Tautology DNF

Let clarify number of neighbor input pair. To consider DNF tautology problem, some input become neighbor input by changing one variable positive / negative. So we define new partial problem of DNF tautology.

**Definition 3.1.**

We will use the term “Neighbor Tautology DNF problem” or “NTD” as partial Minimal Tautology DNF problem which input also tautology if one variables $x$ change positive / negative $\{x, \overline{x}\} \rightarrow \{\overline{x}, x\}$, and not tautology if proper subset of one variables $x$ change positive / negative.

\[
NTD = \left\{ f \mid f \equiv \top, f\left(\cdots x \overline{x} \cdots\right) \equiv \top, g = f\left(\cdots \{x, \overline{x}\} \{\overline{x}, x\} \cdots\right) \neq \top \right\}
\]

\[
\left(\cdots x \overline{x} \cdots\right): \text{ permutate all } x, \overline{x} \text{ to } \overline{x}, x.
\]

\[
\left(\cdots \overline{x} x \cdots\right): \text{ permutate (any) proper subset of } x, \overline{x} \text{ to } \overline{x}, x.
\]

**Theorem 3.2.**

If $f \in NTD$, then $f\left(\cdots x \overline{x} \cdots\right)$ is neighbor input of $f$.

**Proof.** It is trivial because of $x, \overline{x}$ symmetry with tautology and NTD definition;
\[
f\left(\cdots x \overline{x} \cdots\right)\left(\cdots \overline{x} x \cdots\right) = f \equiv \top
\]
\[
\begin{align*}
f \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdot & x & \overline{x} & \cdots \\
\cdot & \overline{x} & x & \cdots
\end{array} \right) &= f \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdots \\
\cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdots
\end{array} \right) \\
&= f \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdots \\
\cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdots
\end{array} \right) \\
&= f \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdots \\
\cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdots
\end{array} \right) \\
&= f \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdots \\
\cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdots
\end{array} \right)
\end{align*}
\]

\[\square\]

**Theorem 3.3.**

Minimal Tautology DNF (MTD) correspond to NTD.

**Proof.** Proof this theorem by constructing NTD from MTD.

If \(f \in \text{MTD}\) and \(f \notin \text{NTD}\), then there are some variable \(x\) that keep tautology to change proper subset of \(x\).

\[f \in \text{MTD} \land f \notin \text{NTD} \rightarrow \exists x \left( f \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdot & x & \overline{x} & \cdots \\
\cdot & \overline{x} & x & \cdots
\end{array} \right) \equiv \top \right) \]

Let attach free variable \(y\) to \(x\). \(y\) have some relation \(g\) with \(x\).

\[f \in \text{MTD} \land f \notin \text{NTD} \rightarrow \exists x \left( f \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdot & x & \overline{x} & \cdots \\
\cdot & \overline{x} & x & \cdots
\end{array} \right) \equiv \top \right) \land (g(x, y) \equiv \top) \]

\(y\): free variable.

However, from \(f \in \text{MTD}\) then

\[(x, y) \rightarrow (1, 1), (0, 0)\]

and from \(f \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdots \\
\cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdots
\end{array} \right) \equiv \top\) then

\[(x, y) \rightarrow (1, 0), (0, 1)\]

So

\[(x, y) \rightarrow (1, 1), (0, 0), (1, 0), (0, 1)\]

and \(g\) is no bind of \((x, y)\). So

\[f \in \text{MTD} \land f \notin \text{NTD} \rightarrow \exists x \left( f \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdot & x & \overline{x} & \cdots \\
\cdot & \overline{x} & x & \cdots
\end{array} \right) \equiv \top \right) \]

This means

\[f \in \text{MTD} \land f \notin \text{NTD} \rightarrow \exists x \left( f \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdot & x & \overline{x} & \cdots \\
\cdot & \overline{x} & x & \cdots
\end{array} \right) \in \text{MTD} \right) \]

\(y\): free variable.
On the other hand, each MTD have limitation of length and number of variables type. So we can repeat this operation to any proper subset of variables cannot change another free variable. Such MTD satisfy NTD condition. 

\[ \square \]

\[ x, y \text{ of } \text{NTD that made by } 3.3 \text{ is independent each other, but we can modify easily to depend } x, y \text{ each other. Before proofing this, we proof following lemma.} \]

**Lemma 3.4.**

There is some DNF \( f \) which;

a) become 1 at one of any set of truth value assignment \( T \)

\[ \forall T \forall t \in T \ (f(t) = 1) \]

b) each clauses have pre-defined 3 variables combination. (We can only decide these literal become positive or negative.)

c) number of clauses is at most polynomial size of variables type.

**Proof.** Let \( f = d_1 \lor d_2 \lor \cdots \lor d_n \) that variables is \( x_1, x_2, \ldots x_k \) and \( n = O(k^c) \), and \( d_1 \) include variables \( x_1, x_2, x_3 \). Because we can decide positive / negative of \( x_1, x_2, x_3 \) in \( d_1 \), so \( d_1 \) is possible 8 patterns;

\[ x_1 \land x_2 \land x_3, \overline{x_1} \land x_2 \land x_3, x_1 \land \overline{x_2} \land x_3, \overline{x_1} \land \overline{x_2} \land x_3, \]
\[ x_1 \land x_2 \land \overline{x_3}, \overline{x_1} \land x_2 \land \overline{x_3}, x_1 \land \overline{x_2} \land \overline{x_3}, \overline{x_1} \land \overline{x_2} \land \overline{x_3} \]

These possible \( d_1 \) become partition of truth value assignment, one of above \( d_1 \) become true at least \( \frac{1}{8} \) of truth value assignment \( T \). So we can reduce number of \( |T| \) at most \( \frac{7}{8} \) by deciding suitable positive / negative pattern as \( d_1 \).

Above condition is applicable another clauses \( d_2, \cdots d_n \), so we can decide positive / negative of variables \( x_1, x_2, \cdots x_k \) in \( d_2, \cdots d_n \) one by one to reduce \( T \) at most \( \frac{7}{8} \). Number of \( |T| \) is at most \( 2^k \), so some constant \( c_0 \) that \( 2^k \times \left(\frac{7}{8}\right)^{c_0} \to 0 \). Therefore, we can make \( f \) that cover \( \forall T \forall t \in T \ (f(t) = 1) \). 

\[ \square \]

**Theorem 3.5.**

Any NTD can convert some NTD that have all pair of variables in some clauses, and number of these clauses is at most polynomial of variables types.
Proof. If NTD $f$ does not have clauses which include both $x$ and $y$, we can make another NTD $f'$ that include $x, y$ in some clause with following step:

1) add literal $y$ or $\overline{y}$ to some clauses $c$ that include $x, \overline{x}$

$c \rightarrow c' = c \land Y \mid Y \in \{y, \overline{y}\}$

$c = X \land \cdots \mid X \in \{x, \overline{x}\}$

2) add new clauses $d$ which include $x, y$ and complement all truth value assignment $\{t\}$ that $c'(t) = 0 \rightarrow d(t) = 1$.

Mentioned above 3.4 number of such clauses is at most polynomial number of variables type. So $|f'|$ is polynomial size of $|f|$ because number of variables type in $f$ is at most $|f|$.

□

**Theorem 3.6.**

There is some NTD $f$ that does not keep same clauses to permute literal $x, \overline{x}$.

$\exists f \in NTD \left( f \cap f \left( \begin{array}{c} \cdots \ x \ \overline{x} \ \cdots \\ \cdots \ \overline{x} \ x \ \cdots \end{array} \right) \neq f \cup f \left( \begin{array}{c} \cdots \ x \ \overline{x} \ \cdots \\ \cdots \ \overline{x} \ x \ \cdots \end{array} \right) \right)$

$f \left( \begin{array}{c} \cdots \ x \ \overline{x} \ \cdots \\ \cdots \ \overline{x} \ x \ \cdots \end{array} \right)$ : clauses that permute all $x, \overline{x}$ to $\overline{x}, x$ in $f$.

Proof. To modify methods mentioned above proof 3.5 we can easily make $f$ from which keep same clauses to permute literal $x, \overline{x}$. In 2) step, we choose some variables set that do not same variables set in any clauses (and also another clauses in $f$), these clauses does not become symmetry with permutation of $(x, \overline{x})$. □

**Theorem 3.7.**

$NTD \in PH$

Proof. We can solve NTD by computing:

a) input as TAUT problem, and

b) all input that change any proper subset of one type literal as non TAUT problem.
We can compute b) that choice changing literal as universal and compute them as non TAUT problem. coNP Oracle machine with TAUT oracle can compute this problem. Therefore NTD is in PH.

**Theorem 3.8.**

*If input of NTD have some clauses which include variables $x, y$, the input that change variables $y$ to $x$ (and reduce all $x \land y \to x, x \land \overline{y} \to 0$ to become indistinguishable what variables changed) also in NTD.*

\[
\forall p \in \text{NTD} \left( \exists x, y \in p \ (x, y \in d \in p) \rightarrow q \in \text{NTD} \mid q = p \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdots & x & \overline{y} \\
\cdots & x & x & \overline{x}
\end{array} \right) \right)
\]

$x, y \in d \in p$: DNF $p$ have some clauses $d$ that include variable $x, y$.

**Proof.** (Proof by contradiction.) Assume to the contrary that

\[
\exists p \in \text{NTD} \left( \exists x, y \in p \ (x, y \in d \in p) \land q \notin \text{NTD} \mid q = p \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdots & x & \overline{y} \\
\cdots & x & x & \overline{x}
\end{array} \right) \right)
\]

Because of $p \equiv \top$, it is trivial that $q \equiv \top$ and $q \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdots & x \\
\cdots & \overline{x}
\end{array} \right) \equiv \top$. So

some $q \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdots & x & \overline{y} \\
\cdots & x & x & \overline{x}
\end{array} \right) \equiv \top$ from assumption $q \notin \text{NTD}$.

However,

\[
p \in \text{NTD} \rightarrow p \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdots & x & \overline{x} \\
\cdots & \{x, \overline{x}\} & \{x, \overline{x}\} & \cdots
\end{array} \right) \neq \top, p \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdots & y & \overline{y} \\
\cdots & \{y, \overline{y}\} & \{y, \overline{y}\} & \cdots
\end{array} \right) \neq \top
\]

So following are only tautology of changing positive / negative variables

\[
p \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdots & x & \overline{y} \\
\cdots & \overline{x} & y & \cdots
\end{array} \right) \equiv \top, p \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdots & x & \overline{y} \\
\cdots & \overline{x} & y & \cdots
\end{array} \right) \equiv \top
\]

then $q$ satisfy following conditions.

\[
q \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdots & x & \overline{x} & \cdots \\
\cdots & \overline{x} & x & \overline{x} & \cdots
\end{array} \right) \equiv \top, q \left( \begin{array}{ccc}
\cdots & x & \overline{x} & \cdots \\
\cdots & \overline{x} & \overline{x} & x & \cdots
\end{array} \right) \equiv \top
\]
This means that we have to treat each \( x, y \) in \( q = p \begin{pmatrix} \cdots & x & \overline{y} & y & \cdots \\ \cdots & x & \overline{x} & x & \cdots \end{pmatrix} \) separately. That is, \( q = p \begin{pmatrix} \cdots & x & \overline{y} & y & \cdots \\ \cdots & x & \overline{x} & x & \cdots \end{pmatrix} \) is irreducible about \( x \land x \rightarrow x \) and \( x \land \overline{x} \rightarrow 0 \), so \( \forall x, y \in p(x, y \notin d \in p) \). This is contradict assumption \( \exists x, y \in p(x, y \in d \in p) \).

\( \square \)

**Theorem 3.9.**

*Number of different variables type in NTD is over polynomial number of input length.*

**Proof.** Mentioned above 3.8, if \( p \in NTD \) and exists \( x, y \in c \in p \) then \( q \in NTD \mid q = p \begin{pmatrix} \cdots & x & \overline{y} & y & \cdots \\ \cdots & x & \overline{x} & x & \cdots \end{pmatrix} \). Because of symmetry of \( y, \overline{y} \) in tautology, \( q' \in NTD \mid q' = p \begin{pmatrix} \cdots & x & \overline{x} & \overline{y} & y & \cdots \\ \cdots & x & \overline{x} & \overline{x} & x & \cdots \end{pmatrix} \) also true. If \( p \) does not have some clauses that include \( x, y \) in same clauses, we can change \( p \) to \( p' \) that have some clauses that include \( x, y \) in same clauses like 3.5. If generated formula \( q, q' \) consist of same clauses, we can change \( p \) to \( p'' \) that \( p'' \begin{pmatrix} \cdots & x & \overline{x} & y & \overline{y} & \cdots \\ \cdots & x & \overline{x} & \overline{x} & x & \cdots \end{pmatrix} \) and \( p'' \begin{pmatrix} \cdots & x & \overline{x} & y & \overline{y} & \cdots \\ \cdots & x & \overline{x} & \overline{x} & x & \cdots \end{pmatrix} \) do not consist of same clauses like 3.6 When we add some clauses previous changing, adding clauses include some clauses that have unique variables set that does not have another generated formulas not to come to the same clauses. In this way, we can generate at least two times of NTD from some NTD by reducing \( y, \overline{y} \rightarrow x, \overline{x} \) or \( y, \overline{y} \rightarrow \overline{x}, x \).

On the other hand, we can repeat above variables reducing each variables in \( p \). To confirm number of variables type in \( p \), we cannot limit the number no more than logarithm number of input length \( |p| \). So generated NTD amount to over polynomial number of input length \( |p| \), and number of reduced literal \( \overline{x}, x \) type also amount to over polynomial number of input length \( |p| \) (because if \( \overline{x}, x \) is same
anthere NTD, these NTD become same, and we can make different NTD by using above process).

Therefore, number of different variables type also over polynomial number. □

Theorem 3.10.

NNF circuit family have to use over polynomial number of gates of input length to compute NTD.

Proof. Mentioned above 1.7 NNF have to unique gate which different variables of neighbor input. Mentioned above 3.9 number of different variables type in NTD is over polynomial size of input length. Therefore size of NNF circuit family that compute NTD is over polynomial size. □

Theorem 3.11.

$NTD \notin P$

Proof. Mentioned above 1.4 NNF circuit family can compute P problem with polynomial number of gates of input length. However mentioned above 3.10 NNF circuit family have to use over polynomial number of gates of input length to compute NTD. Therefore NTD is not in P. □

Theorem 3.12.

$P \subseteq PH$

Proof. Mentioned above 3.7 $NTD \in PH$, but mentioned above 3.11 $NTD \notin P$. Therefore PH is not in P. □

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