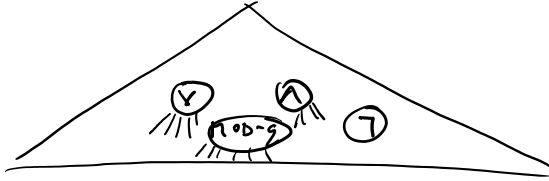


PARITY $\notin AC^0[g]$

PARITY (x_1, \dots, x_n)
 $= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \pmod 2$



$O(1)$ - depth
 poly-size
 unbounded fan-in

$MOD-g(y_1, \dots, y_e) = \sum y_i \pmod g$
 $= \lfloor \frac{\sum y_i}{g} \rfloor$

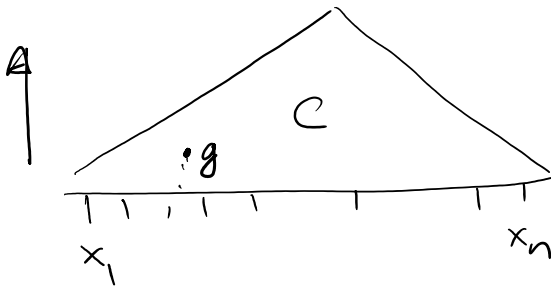
Claim: $p \neq g$ primes then $MOD-p \notin AC^0[g]$

$p=2 \quad g=3$

$MOD-p \rightarrow$ PARITY $\notin AC^0$

Pf: Razborov - Smolensky '87

$AC^0[g]$



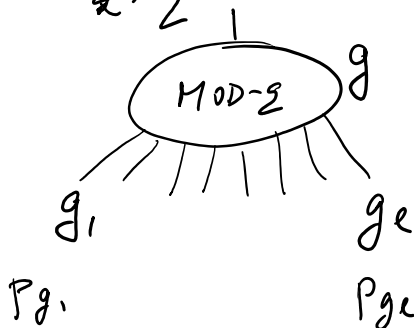
$\rightarrow P_g(x_1, \dots, x_n)$

$GF[g]$

for all inputs x_1, \dots, x_n except for some set of inputs $W \subseteq \{0,1\}^n$ $\left| \text{deg } P_g \approx n^{1/3} \right.$

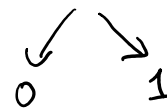
1) $g = x_i: \quad P_g(x_1, \dots, x_n) = x_i$

2) $g = MOD(\text{something}) - g$



$P_g(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^e P_{g_i}(x_1, \dots, x_n) \right)^{g-1}$

$\left(\sum_{i=1}^e P_{g_i}(x_1, \dots, x_n) \right)^{g-1}$
 $\leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^e 1 \right)^{g-1}$



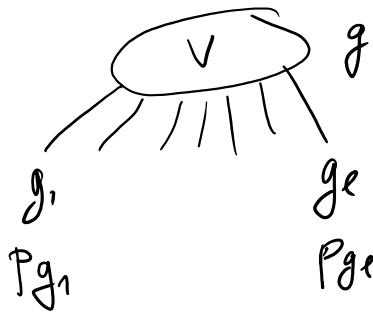
$$g_1 \dots g_\ell \quad P_{g_1} \dots P_{g_\ell} \quad \frac{(k(\ell-1)q^{-1})}{\leq (k(q-1))^{\ell-1}} \quad \checkmark \quad \rightarrow 1$$

3) $g = 7$



$$P_g(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 1 - P_{g'}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

4) $g = \vee$



try 1:

$$P_g = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\ell} P_{g_i} \right)^{\ell-1}$$

→ fails if # of 1's is divisible by ℓ

try 2: (solution)

take random subset of g_1, \dots, g_ℓ & sum it up.

take random bits $a_1, \dots, a_\ell \in \{0, 1\}$

fix $x_1, \dots, x_n \neq 0^n$

$$P_r \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\ell} a_i P_{g_i}(x_1, \dots, x_n) \right)^{\ell-1} = 0 \right] \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

ℓ' bits among

P_{g_i} set to 1

$\ell' \geq \ell$

$$P_g(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 1 - \prod_{j=1}^k \left(1 - \underbrace{\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\ell'} a_{j,i} P_{g_i}(x_1, \dots, x_n) \right)}_{0/1} \right)^{\ell-1} \leq ((q-1)k)^{\ell-1} (q-1)^k$$

$a_{j,i} \dots$ random bits

on $x_1, \dots, x_n = 0^n \Rightarrow P_g(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 0$

on $x_1, \dots, x_n \neq 0^n \Rightarrow P_g(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 1$

with probability $\geq 1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k$

→ pick $a_{j,i}$'s so that we maximize the # of correct inputs x_1, \dots, x_n .

the # of incorrect inputs $\leq 2^n \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k$

layer $i \dots S_i$ gates $W_i \dots$ bad inputs

$$|W_i| \leq S_i \cdot 2^n \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k$$

total $W = \cup W_i \quad |W| \leq S \cdot 2^n \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k$
 \uparrow
 size of C .

$\rightarrow P_C(x_1, \dots, x_n) \dots$ output polynomial

• deg of each polynomial on layer i of C

$$\text{is } \leq ((q-1)k)^i$$

• $h \dots$ depth of C

set: $k = n^{\frac{1}{3h}}, S \leq 2^{n^{\frac{1}{4h}}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{deg } P_C(x_1, \dots, x_n) &\leq (k(q-1))^h \\ &\leq (q-1)^h \cdot \left(n^{\frac{1}{3h}}\right)^h \\ &\leq O(n^{1/3}) \quad \parallel \end{aligned}$$

$$|W| \leq 2^{n^{\frac{1}{4h}}} \cdot \frac{1}{2^{n^{\frac{1}{3h}}}} \cdot 2^n \in o(2^n) \quad \parallel$$

• If C is a ckt from $\gamma, \vee, \text{MOD-}q$ gates of depth h and size S , where h is constant & $S \leq 2^{n^{\frac{1}{4h}}}$

then $\exists P_C(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ over $GF[q]$ which computes the same value as C on all inputs except for some set W of size $o(2^n)$, $\text{deg } P_C = \underline{\underline{O(n^{1/3})}}$.

$$C \rightarrow P_C$$

Step 2: MOD- p cannot be computed by polynomial of degree $O(n^{1/3})$ over $GF[q]$ on set of inputs $\geq 2^n - o(2^n)$.
 $p \neq q$
 primes

• $p=2$
Pf (by contradiction)

assume $\exists p_2(x_1, \dots, x_n)$

$p=2$ $q=3$

$$\deg p_2 \leq O(n^{1/3})$$

computes MOD-2 correctly
 on all inputs except for
 some set $|W| \leq o(2^n)$.

works correctly on inputs $\{0,1\}^n \setminus W$

$$p'_2(y_1, \dots, y_n) : \{-1,1\}^n \rightarrow \{-1,1\}$$

"-1" \leftrightarrow 1
 "1" \leftrightarrow 0

$$p'_2(y_1, \dots, y_n) = 1 - 2 p_2\left(\frac{1-y_1}{2}, \frac{1-y_2}{2}, \dots, \frac{1-y_n}{2}\right)$$

$$p'_2(y_1, \dots, y_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n y_i \quad \text{for } y_1, \dots, y_n \in \{-1,1\} \setminus W'$$

"W' translation of W
 into $\{-1,1\}^n$ "

$$\deg p'_2(y_1, \dots, y_n) = \deg p_2(x_1, \dots, x_n) \leq O(n^{1/3})$$

Ex: poly y_1, \dots, y_n $\underbrace{a_1 y_1^3 \cdot y_7^2 \cdot y_8^5}_{\dots} + \dots$

Take any $f: \{-1,1\} \setminus W' \rightarrow GF[2]$

• any such fcn can be represented by a polynomial
 $GF[2]$

$$(GF[2]^n \rightarrow GF[2])$$

$$v \in \{-1,1\}^n \quad p_v(y_1, \dots, y_n) = \prod \left(\cancel{y_i} \cdot 1 - \left(\frac{v_i - y_i}{2}\right)^2 \right)$$

$$= \begin{cases} 1 & v=y \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Lagrange
 Lagrange

$$P_f(y_1, \dots, y_n) = \sum_{v \in \{-1,1\}^n} f(v) \cdot p_v(y_1, \dots, y_n)$$

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Lagrange
interpolatis

$P_f(y_1, \dots, y_n) = \sum_{\sigma \in \{-1, 1\}^n} \overset{\text{lo else}}{f(\sigma)} \cdot \underline{p_\sigma(y_1, \dots, y_n)}.$