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1. $A = \mathcal{L}(M) \equiv \{w \in \Sigma^* \mid M(w) = 1\}$,
and
2. $\forall w \in \Sigma^*$, $M(w)$ halts within $c(1 + t(|w|))$ steps.

Definition A set $A \subseteq \Sigma^*$ is in **DSPACE** $[s(n)]$ iff there exists a deterministic, multi-tape TM, M , and a constant c , such that,

1. $A = \mathcal{L}(M)$, and
2. $\forall w \in \Sigma^*$, $M(w)$ uses at most $c(1 + s(|w|))$ work-tape cells.

(The input tape is considered “read-only” and not counted as space used.)

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{L} &\equiv \mathbf{DSpace}[\log n] \\
\mathbf{P} &\equiv \mathbf{DTIME}[n^{O(1)}] \equiv \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbf{DTIME}[n^i] \\
\mathbf{PSPACE} &\equiv \mathbf{DSpace}[n^{O(1)}] \equiv \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbf{DSpace}[n^i]
\end{aligned}$$

Theorem For any functions $t(n) \geq n$, $s(n) \geq \log n$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{DTIME}[t(n)] &\subseteq \mathbf{DSpace}[t(n)] \\
\mathbf{DSpace}[s(n)] &\subseteq \mathbf{DTIME}[2^{O(s(n))}]
\end{aligned}$$

Proof: Let M be a $\mathbf{DSpace}[s(n)]$ TM, let $w \in \Sigma^*$, let $n = |w|$

$M(w)$ has at most,

$$|Q| \cdot (n + cs(n) + 2)^k \cdot |\Sigma|^{cs(n)} < 2^{c's(n)}$$

possible configurations.

Thus, after $2^{c's(n)}$ steps, $M(w)$ must be in an infinite loop.



Corollary $\mathbf{L} \subseteq \mathbf{P} \subseteq \mathbf{PSPACE}$

NTIME $[t(n)] \equiv$ problems accepted by NTMs in time $t(n)$

$$\mathbf{NP} \equiv \mathbf{NTIME}[n^{O(1)}] \equiv \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbf{NTIME}[n^i]$$

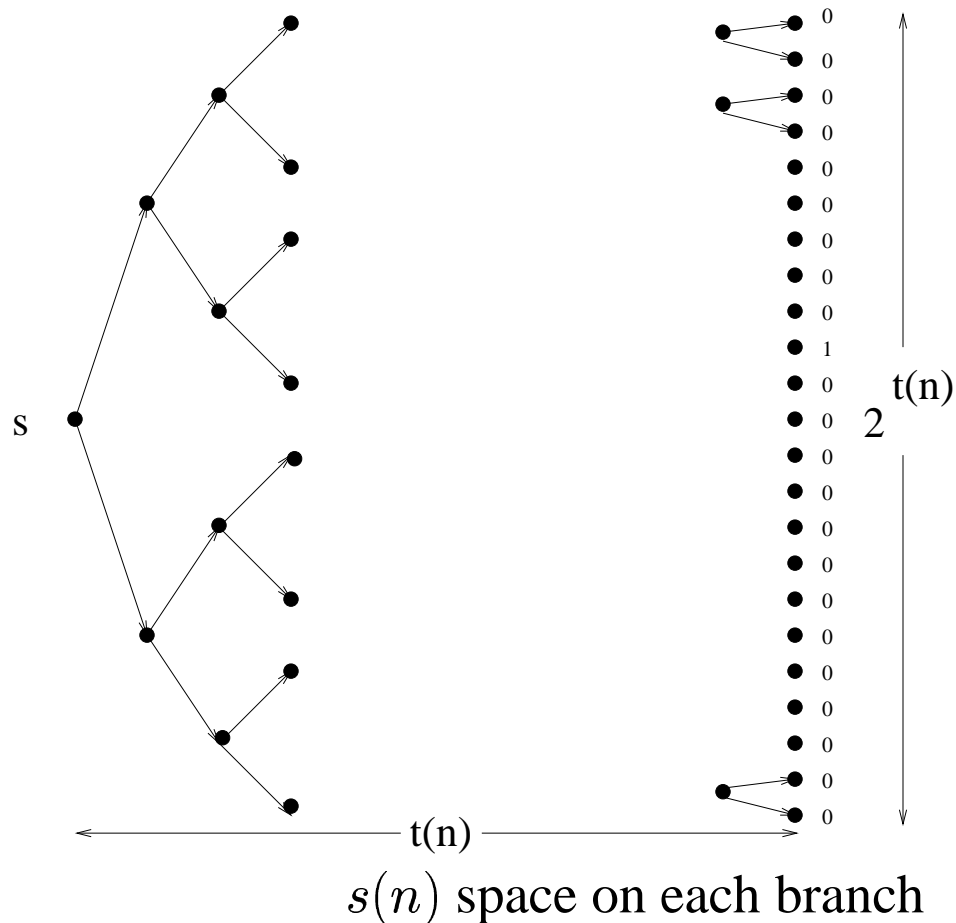
Theorem For any function $t(n)$,

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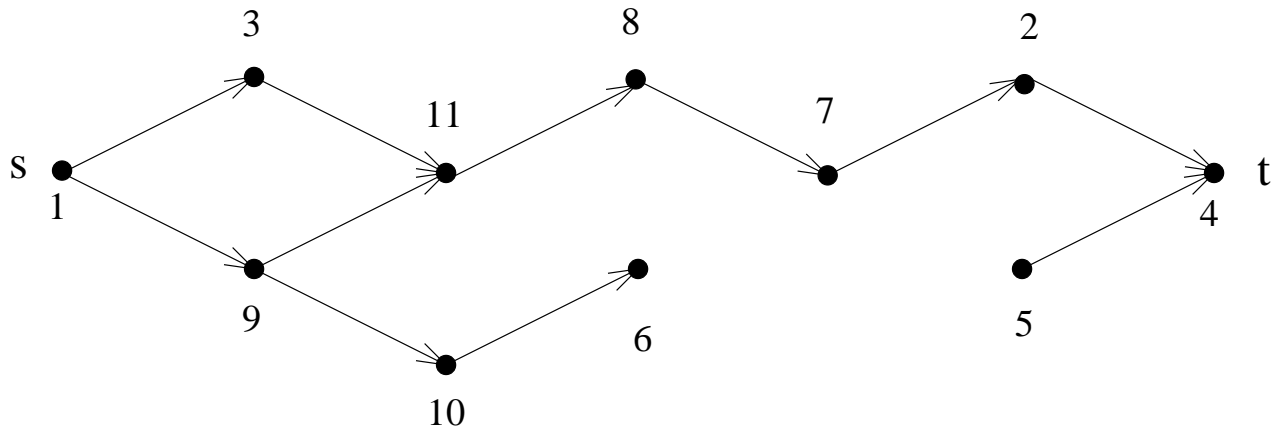
Corollary

$$\mathbf{L} \subseteq \mathbf{P} \subseteq \mathbf{NP} \subseteq \mathbf{PSPACE}$$

NSPACE $[s(n)]$ is the set of problems accepted by NTMs using at most $O(s(n))$ space on each branch.



Definition REACH is the set of directed graphs G such that there is a path in G from s to t .



Proposition REACH \in NL = NSPACE[log n]

Proof: Let $n = |V|$, a b

1. $b := s$
2. **for** $c := 1$ **to** n **do** {
3. **if** $b = t$ **then accept**
4. $a := b$
5. nondeterministically choose new b
6. **if** $(\neg E(a, b))$ **then reject** }
7. **reject**

This algorithm accepts REACH in NSPACE[log n]. ♠

Definition 16.1 Problem T is *complete* for complexity class \mathcal{C} iff

1. $T \in \mathcal{C}$, and
2. $(\forall A \in \mathcal{C})(A \leq T)$

Reductions now must be in $F(\mathbf{L})$.



Theorem 16.2 REACH is complete for \mathbf{NL} .

Proof: Let $A \in \mathbf{NL}$, $A = \mathcal{L}(N)$, uses $c \log n$ bits of worktape.

Input w , $n = |w|$

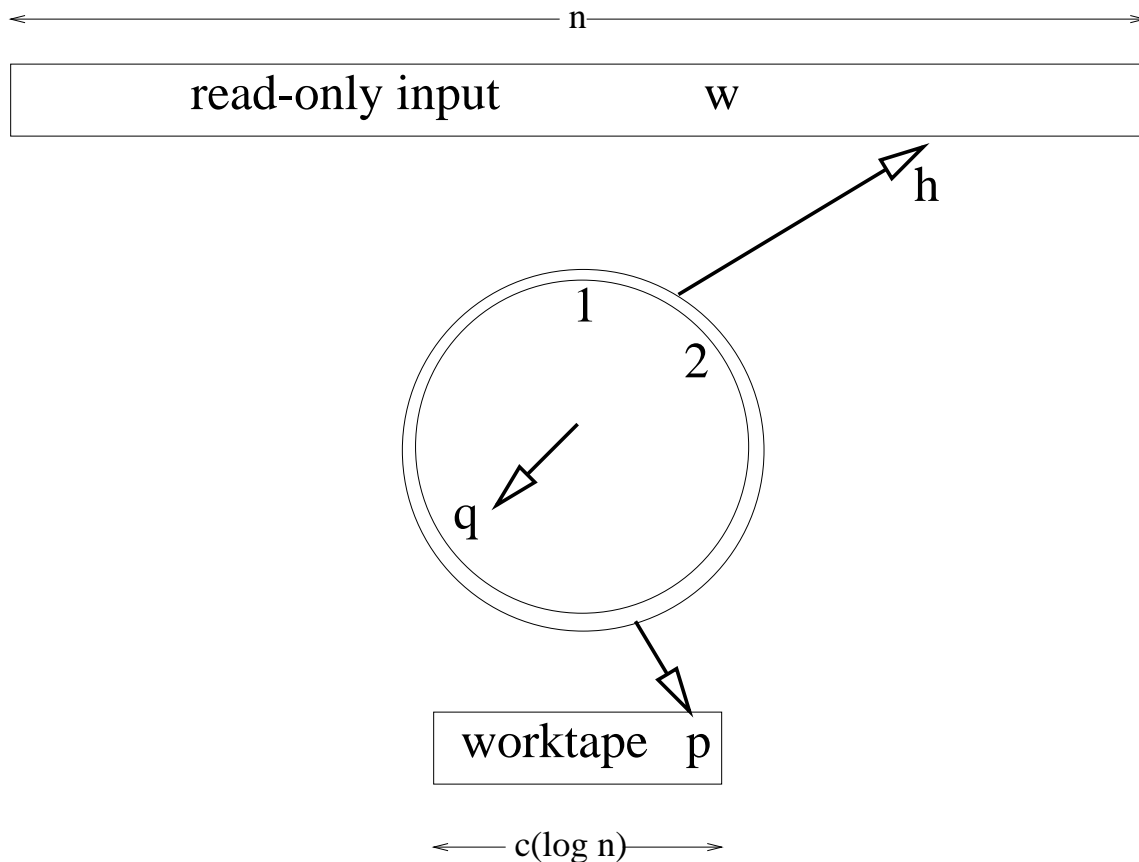
$$w \mapsto \text{CompGraph}(N, w) = (V, E, s, t)$$

$$V = \{\text{ID} = \langle q, h, p \rangle \mid q \in \text{States}(N), h \leq n, |p| \leq c \lceil \log n \rceil\}$$

$$E = \{(\text{ID}_1, \text{ID}_2) \mid \text{ID}_1(w) \xrightarrow[N]{} \text{ID}_2(w)\}$$

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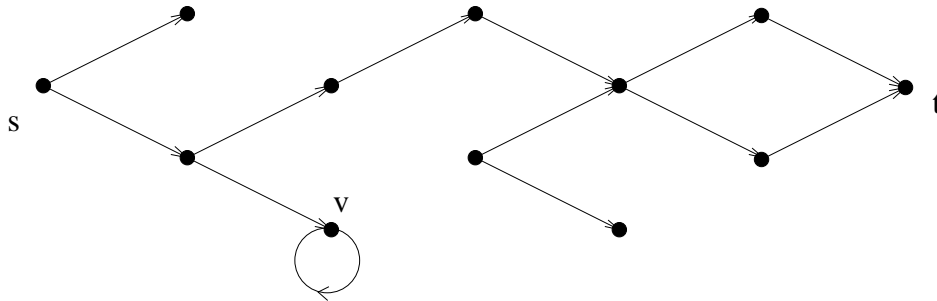
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Claim:

$$w \in A \Leftrightarrow w \in \mathcal{L}(N) \Leftrightarrow \text{CompGraph}(N, w) \in \text{REACH}$$



Corollary 16.3

$$\mathbf{NL} \subseteq \mathbf{P}$$

Proof: REACH \in P

P is closed under (logspace) reductions.

That is

$$(B \in \mathbf{P} \wedge A \leq B) \Rightarrow A \in \mathbf{P}$$



Theorem 16.4 *If $f(n)$ is a \mathcal{C} -constructible function; \mathcal{C} is DSPACE, NSPACE, DTIME, or NTIME; and, if $g(n)$ is sufficiently smaller than $f(n)$ then $\mathcal{C}[g(n)]$ is strictly contained in $\mathcal{C}[f(n)]$.*

$g(n)$ sufficiently smaller $f(n)$ means

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{g(n)}{f(n)} = 0$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{g(n) \log(g(n))}{f(n)} = 0$$

$\mathcal{C} = \mathbf{DSPACE}, \mathbf{NSPACE}, \mathbf{NTIME}$

$\mathcal{C} = \mathbf{DTIME}$

Definition 16.5 Function $f : \mathbf{N} \rightarrow \mathbf{N}$ is \mathcal{C} -constructible if the map

$$1^n \mapsto f(n)$$

is computable in the complexity class $\mathcal{C}[f(n)]$. For example a function $f(n)$ is DSPACE-constructible if the function $f(n)$ can be deterministically computed from the input 1^n , using space at most $O[f(n)]$. ♠

Fact 16.6 *All reasonable functions greater than or equal to $\log n$ are DSPACE-constructible, and all reasonable functions greater than or equal to n are DTIME-constructible.*

Theorem 16.7 (Space Hierarchy Theorem)

Let $f \geq \log n$ be a space constructible function. If

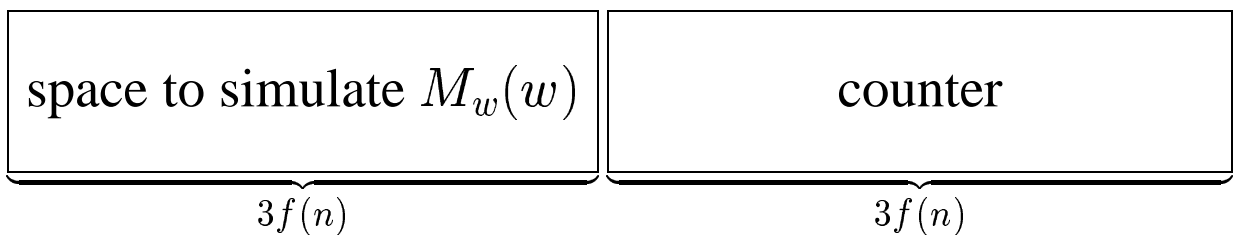
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{g(n)}{f(n)} = 0$$

Then, $\mathbf{DSPACE}[g(n)] \subsetneq \mathbf{DSPACE}[f(n)]$.

Proof: Construct following $\mathbf{DSPACE}[f(n)]$ machine, D :

Input: w , $n = |w|$

1. Mark off $6f(n)$ tape cells, (f space constructible)
2. Simulate $M_w(w)$ using space $3f(n)$, time $\leq 2^{3f(n)}$
3. **if** ($M_w(w)$ needs more space or time) **then accept**
4. **else if** ($M_w(w) = \mathbf{accept}$) **then reject**
5. **else accept** // ($M_w(w) = \mathbf{reject}$)



Claim: $\mathcal{L}(D) \in \mathbf{DSPACE}[f(n)] - \mathbf{DSPACE}[g(n)]$
 $\mathcal{L}(D) \in \mathbf{DSPACE}[f(n)]$ by construction.

Suppose $\mathcal{L}(D) \in \mathbf{DSPACE}[g(n)]$.

Let $\mathcal{L}(M_w) = \mathcal{L}(D)$, M_w uses $cg(n)$ space.

Choose N s.t. $(\forall n > N)(cg(n) < f(n))$.

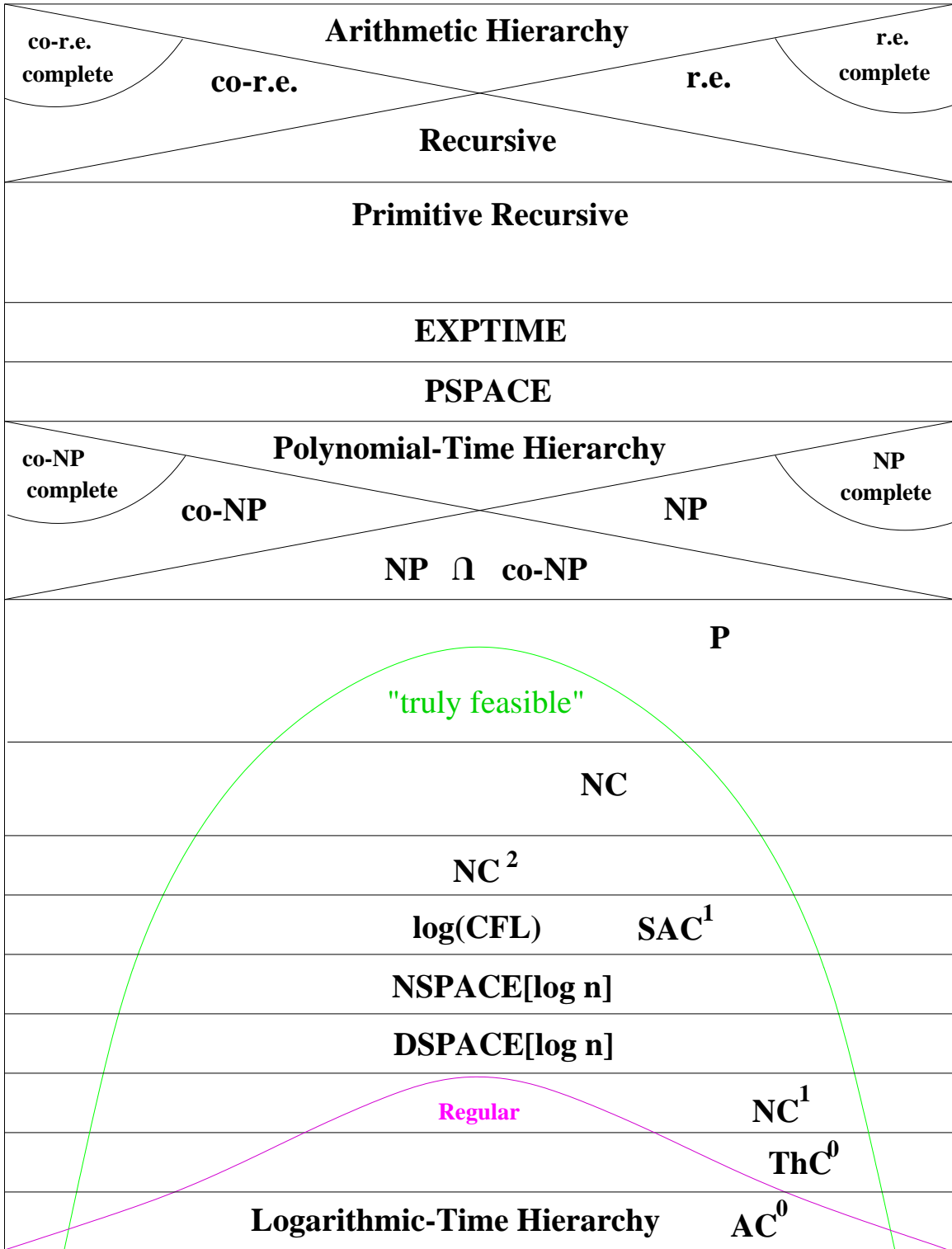
Choose w' , $M_{w'}(\cdot) = M_w(\cdot)$, $|w'| > N$

On input w' , D successfully simulates $M_{w'}(w')$ in $3f(n)$ space and $2^{3f(n)}$ time.

$$w' \in \mathcal{L}(D) \Leftrightarrow w' \notin \mathcal{L}(M_{w'}) \Leftrightarrow w' \notin \mathcal{L}(M_w) \Leftrightarrow w' \notin \mathcal{L}(D)$$

$$\Rightarrow \Leftarrow$$





For any complexity class \mathcal{C} , define $F(\mathcal{C})$, the total, polynomially-bounded functions computable in \mathcal{C} as follows:

$$F(\mathcal{C}) = \left\{ h : \Sigma^* \rightarrow \Sigma^* \mid \begin{array}{l} (\exists k)(\forall x)(|h(x)| \leq k|x|^k) \\ \text{and } \text{bit-graph}(h) \in \mathcal{C} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\text{bit-graph}(h) = \{ \langle x, i, b \rangle \mid \text{bit } i \text{ of } h(x) \text{ is } b \}$$

Idea: $f \in F(\mathcal{C})$ iff

1. f is polynomially bounded, and,
2. bit i of $f(w)$ is uniformly computable in \mathcal{C} and $\text{co-}\mathcal{C}$.