

Modern Complexity Theory

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Assignment 6

Problem 19 (2 points):

The definition of PCP demands that for every $x \in L$ there be a proof π_x for which it holds that $\Pr[M^{\pi_x} \text{ accepts}] = 1$. This means that π_x can potentially be different for every x . Show that this assumption is not necessary, that is, there exists a proof π which is common to all $x \in L$ so that $\Pr[M^\pi \text{ accepts}] = 1$ whenever $x \in L$. (Hint: construct π out of the various π_x 's.)

Problem 20 (6 points):

Prove the following statements:

1. $\text{NP} \subseteq \text{PCP}(\log, \text{poly})$
2. $\text{PCP}(O(1), O(\log n)) \subseteq P$
3. $\text{PCP}(\text{poly}, \text{poly}) \subseteq \text{NEXP}$

Problem 21 (2 points):

Explain how the proof of Theorem 8.3 can be extended to adaptive verifiers.