

Definition: Linear hash function. Let  $D$  be a  $b \times m$  Boolean matrix.

Let  $h_D : \{0, 1\}^m \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^b$  be a linear function defined by  $h_D(x) = Dx$  (using mod 2 arithmetic).

For  $C \subseteq \{0, 1\}^m$ , let  $h(C) = \{h(x) : x \in C\}$

Random linear hash function is obtained by choosing the matrix  $D$  randomly.

Lemma: Let  $C \subseteq \{0, 1\}^m$  and  $c = \frac{|C|}{2^m} \leq 1$ .

Let  $h : \{0, 1\}^m \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^b$  be a random linear function and  $z$  be a random element of  $\{0, 1\}^b$ .

Then  $\text{Prob}(z \in h(C)) \geq c - (c^2/2)$ .

Proof: Note that, for  $x \neq y$ ,  $\text{Prob}(h(x) = h(y))$  is  $2^{-b}$  (as each bit of  $h(x)$  agrees with the corresponding bit of  $h(y)$  with probability  $1/2$ ).

Thus, for a random  $z$ , probability that  $h(x) = h(y) = z$ , for two distinct  $x, y$  is at most  $2^{-2b}$ .

It follows that  $\text{Prob}(z \in h(C))$

$$\geq \sum_x \text{Prob}(z = h(x)) - \sum_{x \neq y} \text{Prob}(z = h(x) = h(y))$$

$$\geq \frac{|C|}{2^m} - \frac{\binom{|C|}{2}}{2^{2b}} \geq c - \frac{c^2}{2}.$$

Theorem: NON-ISO is in AM.

Proof: Assume  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  do not have any nontrivial automorphism, and each has  $n$  vertices.

The number of graphs which are isomorphic to at least one of them is  $n!$  or  $2n!$  based on whether the graphs are isomorphic or not.

So if one chooses at random a graph among  $2^{\binom{n}{2}}$  possible graphs, (where  $n$  is the number of vertices in  $G_1, G_2$ ), then the probability of finding a graph which is isomorphic to one of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  (call this set  $C$ ), gives us a separation.

However,  $n!$  is too small compared to  $2^{\binom{n}{2}}$ .

So one uses a random hash function from a binary string of length  $\binom{n}{2}$  to a string of length  $q = \lceil \log_2(n!) \rceil + 2$ .

Now, for a random hash function  $h$  and a random  $z$ , the probability that  $z$  is in  $h(C)$  is at most  $n!/2^q$  if graphs are isomorphic and at least  $2(n!/2^q) - (2(n!/2^q))^2/2 \geq \frac{3}{2}(n!/2^q)$ , otherwise.

Thus, the verifier can send the prover a random hash function  $h$  and a random  $z$ , and ask prover to provide a graph  $G$  which is isomorphic to one of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  (along with a proof) such that  $h(G) = z$ .

The probability that the prover passes this test is at least  $\frac{3}{2} * \frac{n!}{2^q}$ , if the graphs are non-isomorphic and at most  $\frac{n!}{2^q}$  if the graphs are iso-morphic.

This probability can be modified to satisfy the requirements of AM protocol.

To get around automorphism problem, use  $\langle G, p \rangle$ , where  $p$  is supposed to give an automorphism of  $G$ .

Corollary: If graph isomorphism problem is NP-complete then PH collapses!