

Pseudorandom generators (prg)

- Expanders helped in derandomizing a specific problem in RL.
- Prgs are objects to derandomize more general randomized algorithms.

Definition: • A distribution R over $\{0,1\}^m$ is (s, ϵ) -pseudorandom if $\forall$ circuits C of size $\leq s$,
$$\left| \Pr_{x \in R} [C(x) = 1] - \Pr_{x \in U_m} [C(x) = 1] \right| < \epsilon.$$

 $\uparrow$ $x \in U_m \leftarrow$ uniform distribution

(This measures how well can C distinguish R from U_m . It has cryptographic origins.)

- Let $s: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ be a function. A $2^{O(n)}$ -time computable function $G: \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}^*$ is an

s is the stretch

$\rightarrow$ s -prg if $\forall \ell \in \mathbb{N}$,
 $G: \{0,1\}^\ell \rightarrow \{0,1\}^{s(\ell)}$ &

$G(U_\ell)$ is $(s(\ell)^3, 0.1)$ -pseudorandom.

Prgs derandomize classes

$S, \ell: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ are poly-time computable & nondecreasing.

Lemma: If there exists an S -prg then $\forall$ function ℓ ,
 $BP_{time}(S \circ \ell(n)) \subseteq D_{time}(2^{\alpha \ell(n)} \cdot S \circ \ell(n))$.

Proof:

- Idea is to use an S -prg G as the source of (pseudo-)random bits in the randomized algorithm.
- A language $L \in BP_{time}(S \circ \ell(n))$ if $\exists$ algorithm M that on input $x \in \{0,1\}^n$ uses $m = O(S \circ \ell(n))$ random bits r & runs for time $O(S \circ \ell(n))$ s.t.
$$\Pr_{r \in U_m} [M(x, r) = L(x)] \geq 3/4.$$
- The derandomization idea is to use an S -prg G to produce r 's:
- On input x , our deterministic algorithm B will go over all $z \in \{0,1\}^{\ell(n)}$, compute $M(x, G(z))$ & output the majority vote.

- We claim that $\Pr_{z \in U_{\ell(n)}} [M(x, G(z)) = L(x)] \geq$

$\frac{3}{4} - 0.1 > \frac{1}{2}$, thus, B correctly solves L .

- Suppose not, then $\Pr_{z \in U_{\ell(n)}} [M(x, G(z)) = L(x)]$

$$< \frac{3}{4} - 0.1.$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \Pr_{z \in U_{\ell(n)}} [M(x, G(z)) = L(x)] - \Pr_{z \in U_m} [M(x, z) = L(x)] \right|$$

$$> \left| \left(\frac{3}{4} - 0.1 \right) - \left(\frac{3}{4} \right) \right| = 0.1$$

- Now consider the circuit C_x that on input $y \in \{0, 1\}^{\text{Sol}(n)}$ outputs 1 iff $M(x, y) = L(x)$.
- Since M is $O(\text{Sol}(n))$ -time we get a (lazy) size bound of $O(\text{Sol}(n))^2$ for C_x . (Exercise)

$\Rightarrow C_x$ distinguishes $G(U_{\ell(n)})$ from $U_{\text{Sol}(n)}$ well, contradicting the fact that G is a S -prg.

$\Rightarrow B$ is a det. algo. solving L in $O(2^{\ell(n)} \cdot \text{Sol}(n))$ -time.

□

- By picking various stretch fns S , we get the following conditional derandomizations:

Corollary: (i) If $\exists 2^{\epsilon l}$ -prg, for some $\epsilon > 0$, then $BPP = P$.
 $\uparrow$ exponential stretch

(ii) If $\exists 2^{l^\epsilon}$ -prg, for some $\epsilon > 0$, then
 $\uparrow$ subexponential stretch $BPP \subseteq Dtime(2^{\text{poly}(\lg(n))}) =: \text{QuasiP}$.

(iii) If $\forall c > 1, \exists l^c$ -prg then $BPP \subseteq \bigcap_{\epsilon > 0} Dtime(2^{n^\epsilon})$
 $\uparrow$ polynomial stretch $=: \text{Subexp}$.

Proof:

(i) Apply the lemma on $S: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}; n \mapsto 2^{\epsilon n}$ &
 $l: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}; n \mapsto c \cdot \lg n$, for $c \in \mathbb{N}$.

(ii) On $S: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ & $l: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$, $c \in \mathbb{N}$.
 $n \mapsto 2^{n^\epsilon}$ $n \mapsto c(\lg n)^{1/\epsilon}$

(iii) On $S: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ & $l: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ for $c \in \mathbb{N}$ &
 $n \mapsto n^c$ $n \mapsto n^\epsilon$ $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$.

$\square$

- How do we construct these prgs?

The only known way is to exploit the hardness (conjectured) of problems!

Hardness & prgs

- We define two types of hardness of boolean functions.

Definition: • For $f: \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}$, the average-case hardness $H_{avg}(f)$ is the largest $S(n)$ s.t.
 $\forall$ circuit $C_n \in \text{Size}(S(n))$,

hard
 $\uparrow$
large size &
less advantage

$$\Pr_{x \in U_n} [C(x) = f(x)] < \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{S(n)}.$$

• Worst-case hardness $H_{wro}(f)$ is the largest $S(n)$ s.t. $\forall$ circuit $C_n \in \text{Size}(S(n))$,
 $\Pr_{x \in U_n} [C(x) = f(x)] < 1.$

$$\triangleright H_{avg}(f) \leq H_{wro}(f) < 2^{2n}.$$

- Counting methods show that "usually"
 $H_{\text{wrs}}(f) = 2^{\Omega(n)}$.

But we do not know of "natural" f with
super-polynomial hardness! or explicit

- The conjectured f , of cryptographic significance, are:

(1) $H_{\text{wrs}}(3\text{SAT}) = 2^{\Omega(n)}$?

(2) $H_{\text{avg}}(\text{Int-Fact}) = n^{\omega(1)}$?

bits in a complete factorization

R for n -bit input

- We will later prove that a worst-case hard function gives rise to an average-case one.

The tool would be local list decoding
of linear error-correcting codes.

- For now, we relate average-case hardness to derandomization.

Hardness $\Rightarrow$ Prg

Theorem (Nisan, Wigderson, 1988): If $\exists f \in E$ with $H_{\text{avg}}(f) \geq S(n)$ then $\exists$ an $S'(l)$ -prg where

$S' \approx S$ } $S'(l) := S(n)^{0.01}$ for $\frac{100n^2}{\ell S(n)} < l \leq \frac{100(n+1)^2}{\ell S(n+1)}$.

Proof:

• Idea — We stretch a seed $z \in \{0,1\}^l$ to $\{0,1\}^{S'(l)}$ by choosing n -sized subsets

little overlap $\rightarrow$ $I_1, \dots, I_m \subseteq [l]$ & considering
hard to guess the next bit $\rightarrow f(z_{I_1}) \circ f(z_{I_2}) \circ \dots \circ f(z_{I_m})$.

• Definition: Let $\mathcal{I} := \{I_1, \dots, I_m\}$ be a family of n -sized subsets of $[l]$ & let $f: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$.

The $(\mathcal{I}, f)$ -NW generator is the function $NW_{\mathcal{I}}^f: \{0,1\}^l \rightarrow \{0,1\}^m$ s.t. $\forall z \in \{0,1\}^l$,

$$NW_{\mathcal{I}}^f(z) := f(z_{I_1}) \circ \dots \circ f(z_{I_m})$$

where z_I is the restriction to the coordinates I .

- For an $(\mathcal{I}, f)$ -NW generator to be pseudo-random, it suffices that, f should be hard & $\mathcal{I}$ should be a certain design:

Definition: Let $\ell > n > d$. A collection $\mathcal{I} = \{I_1, \dots, I_m\}$ of n -sized subsets of $[\ell]$ is an (ℓ, n, d) -design if $|I_j \cap I_k| \leq d$ for all $j \neq k \in [m]$.

Lemma 1 (designs): $\exists$ algorithm A that on input (ℓ, n, d) , where $\ell > 10n^2/d$, outputs an (ℓ, n, d) -design $\mathcal{I}$ having $m \geq 2^{d/10}$ subsets, in time $2^{O(\ell)}$.

Proof:

- Idea - Greedily build $\mathcal{I}$.

- Initialize $\mathcal{I} = \emptyset$.

(1) Say, $\mathcal{I} = \{I_1, \dots, I_m\}$ with $m < 2^{d/10}$.

Find an $I \in \binom{[\ell]}{n}$ st. $\forall j \in [m]$,

$$|I \cap I_j| \leq d.$$

(2) $\mathcal{I} \leftarrow \mathcal{I} \cup \{I\}$ & goto (1).

- Clearly this takes time $< (2^{d/10})^2 \times 2^\ell \cdot n = 2^{O(\ell)}$.

- Can it get stuck at $m < 2^{d/10}$?

We show the existence of I by the probabilistic method.

- Build I by picking each $x \in [l]$ with probability $2n/l$.

$\Rightarrow$

$$E[\#I] = \sum_{x \in [l]} \frac{2n}{l} = 2n.$$

$$\& \forall j \in [m], E[|I \cap I_j|] = \sum_{x \in I_j} \frac{2n}{l} = \frac{2n^2}{l} < \frac{d}{5}.$$

- Thus, by Chernoff bounds:

$$\Pr_I[|I| < n] < 2 \cdot e^{-n/8}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Pr[\sum x_i - \mu \geq c\mu] \\ < 2 \cdot \exp(-\mu \cdot \min(\frac{c}{2}, \frac{c^2}{4})) \end{array} \right.$$

$$\& \forall j, \Pr_I[|I \cap I_j| > d] < 2 \cdot e^{-2d/5}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pr[|I| < n \vee \exists j, |I \cap I_j| > d]$$

$$< 2e^{-n/8} + 2e^{-4d/10 + d/10} < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pr_I[|I| \geq n \wedge \forall j, |I \cap I_j| \leq d] > 0.$$

$\Rightarrow$ There exists an I in Step-(1).

(If it is larger than n then we can drop the extra elements.) $\square$

- Let us use this design now.

Lemma 2 (NW-generator): If I is an (ℓ, n, d) -design with $|I| = 2^{d/10} =: m$, $f: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ & $\text{Havg}(f) > 2^{2d}$, then $NW_I^f(u_e)$ is $(\text{Havg}(f)/10, 0.1)$ -pseudorandom.

Proof:

- Let $S := \text{Havg}(f)$.

- Suppose $\exists$ a circuit C of size $\leq S/10$ st.
 $|Pr[C(NW_I^f(u_e))=1] - Pr[C(u_m)=1]| \geq 0.1$.

I.e. NW_I^f
is not
pseudorand $\rightarrow$

- Wlog assume,

$$Pr[C(NW_I^f(u_e))=1] - Pr[C(u_m)=1] \geq 0.1.$$

- We will now devise a bit-predictor for NW_I^f .

- For that let us define distributions $\mathcal{D}_0, \dots, \mathcal{D}_m$ over $\{0,1\}^m$ s.t. $\forall i$,
 $\underline{\mathcal{D}}_i$: choose $x \in_R \{0,1\}^L$; $z_{i+1}, \dots, z_m \in_R \{0,1\}$,
 Compute $\underline{y} = \text{NW}_g^f(x)$
 output $\langle y_1, \dots, y_i, z_{i+1}, \dots, z_m \rangle$.

hybrid
distribution $\rightarrow$

$$\triangleright \mathcal{D}_0 \equiv \mathcal{U}_m \text{ \& \; } \mathcal{D}_m \equiv \text{NW}_g^f(\mathcal{U}_L).$$

- Define $p_i := \Pr[C(\mathcal{D}_i) = 1]$.
- Since $p_m - p_0 \geq 0.1$, averaging gives us:
 $\exists i_0 \in [m], p_{i_0} - p_{i_0-1} \geq 0.1/m$

- We will use this advantage to predict the i_0 -th bit of $\text{NW}_g^f(\mathcal{U}_L)$ given the preceding (i_0-1) bits.

- Define circuit $\underline{C}'$: on input $y_1, \dots, y_{i_0-1}$,
 pick $z_{i_0}, \dots, z_m \in_R \{0,1\}$,
 output $\begin{cases} z_{i_0}, & \text{if } C(y_1, \dots, y_{i_0-1}, z_{i_0}, \dots, z_m) = 1 \\ 1 - z_{i_0}, & \text{else.} \end{cases}$

• How well does C' predict?

$$\Pr_{y \in \text{NW}(U_\ell), \bar{z} \in U_m} [C'(y_1, \dots, y_{i_0-1}) = y_{i_0}] =$$

$$\Pr[z_{i_0} = y_{i_0}] \cdot \Pr[C(y_1, \dots, y_{i_0-1}, z_{i_0}, \dots, z_m) = 1 \mid z_{i_0} = y_{i_0}] \\ + \Pr[z_{i_0} \neq y_{i_0}] \cdot \Pr[C(y_1, \dots, y_{i_0-1}, \bar{z}_{i_0}, \dots, \bar{z}_m) = 1 \mid z_{i_0} \neq y_{i_0}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \Pr[C(\mathcal{Q}_{i_0}) = 1] + \frac{1}{2} \cdot (1 - \Pr[C(y_1, \dots, y_{i_0-1}, \bar{y}_{i_0}, z_{i_0+1}, \dots) = 1])$$

$$= p_{i_0} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} (p_{i_0} + \Pr[C(y_1, \dots, y_{i_0-1}, \bar{y}_{i_0}, z_{i_0+1}, \dots) = 1])$$

$$= p_{i_0} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot (2p_{i_0-1}) \geq \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{0.1}{m} \right).$$

union
bound
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• To make C' deterministic, we could fix $z_{i_0}, \dots, z_m$ & get a circuit C'' s.t.

$$\Pr_{y \in \text{NW}(U_\ell)} [C''(y_1, \dots, y_{i_0-1}) = y_{i_0}] \geq \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{0.1}{m} \right).$$

$y_{i_0} C \vee \bar{z}_{i_0} \bar{C}$ • Clearly, $\text{size}(C'') < 2 \cdot \text{size}(C) \leq 5/5$.

• Now we plug the definition of NW_ℓ^f to get:

$$\Pr_{Z \in \mathcal{U}_\ell} [C''(f(Z_{I_1}), \dots, f(Z_{I_{i_0-1}})) = f(Z_{I_{i_0}})] \geq \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{0.1}{m}\right)$$

• Let us fix $Z_{[\ell] \setminus I_{i_0}}$ s.t. the above probability advantage is retained.

• Note that this leaves only $|I_j \cap I_{i_0}|$ many variables free in Z_{I_j} , $j \in [i_0-1]$.

$\Rightarrow f(Z_{I_1}), \dots, f(Z_{I_{i_0-1}})$ are d -variate.

$\Rightarrow$ " " can be computed (trivially) by circuits of size $O(d \cdot 2^d)$.

$\Rightarrow \exists$ a circuit B of size $< \frac{S}{5} + O(d 2^d) \cdot m$
 $= S/5 + O(d 2^{d+d/10}) < \underline{S}$ ($\because S > 2^{2d}$) s.t.

$$\Pr_{Z_{I_{i_0}} \in \mathcal{U}_n} [B(Z_{I_{i_0}}) = f(Z_{I_{i_0}})] \geq \frac{1}{2} + \frac{0.1}{m} > \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{5}$$

• This contradicts the assumption that $\text{Havg}(f) = S$.

$\Rightarrow \text{NW}_f^{\text{f}}(\mathcal{U}_\ell)$ is $(S/10, 0.1)$ -pseudorandom. $\square$

Proof (NW theorem):

- Let $f \in \text{Dtime}(2^{\alpha n})$ s.t. $\text{Havg}(f) \geq S(n)$.

- We will define an $S'(\ell)$ -prg G:

On input $z \in \{0,1\}^\ell$,

- 1) Pick n s.t. $\frac{100n^2}{\ell S(n)} < \ell \leq \frac{100(n+1)^2}{\ell S(n+1)} \leq \frac{200n^2}{\ell S(n)}$.

- 2) Set $d = \ell S(n)/10$.

- 3) Compute an (ℓ, n, d) -design

$\mathcal{I} = \{I_1, \dots, I_m\}$ with $m = 2^{d/10}$.

- 4) Output $\text{NW}_{\mathcal{I}}^f(z)$.

- This takes time: $2^{O(\ell)} + 2^{\alpha n} \cdot 2^{d/10} = 2^{O(\ell)}$.

- Since $\text{Havg}(f) \geq S(n) = 2^{10d}$, by Lemma 2 we get: $\text{NW}_{\mathcal{I}}^f(U_\ell)$ is $(S(n)/10, 0.1)$ -pseudorandom.

- Finally, the stretch is $2^{d/10} = S(n)^{1/100} =: S'(\ell)$.

- Clearly, G is an $S'(\ell)$ -prg. □

($\because S'(\ell)^3 < S(n)/10$.)

- Thus, "hardness $\Rightarrow$ prg".
Is there a converse?

$\leftarrow S(\ell) > \ell$

Claim: If $\exists S(\ell)$ -prg then $\exists f \in E$ s.t.
 $H_{\text{hard}}(f) > n^3$.

Proof:

- Let $G: \{0,1\}^\ell \rightarrow \{0,1\}^n$ be an $S(\ell)$ -prg.
- Consider the function $f_n: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ s.t.
 $f_n(x) = 1$ iff $x \in \text{im}(G)$. Clearly, $f \in E$.
- Let C_n be the smallest circuit computing f_n .

• Also, $\Pr[C_n(G(u_\ell)) = 1] = 1$
while $\Pr[C_n(u_n) = 1] \leq 2^\ell / 2^n \leq 1/2$
 $\Rightarrow C_n$ distinguishes $G(u_\ell)$ from u_n well.
 $\Rightarrow \text{size}(C_n) > S(\ell)^3 = n^3$. $\square$

- We will now see more impressive applications of prg in complexity:

← Partial derandomization from Hwz's (per).

Theorem (Impagliazzo, Wigderson 1998): If $BPP \neq EXP$ then $\forall L \in BPP$, $\exists$ subexponential-time algorithm A s.t. for cof-many n 's:

$$\Pr_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} [A(x) = L(x)] \geq 1 - \frac{1}{n}.$$

↑ the det. algo. A is right on average.

Proof sketch:

- If $EXP \not\subseteq P/poly$ then $\exists f \in EXP$ with $H_{wz}(f) = n^{\omega(1)}$.

Later we will see how to amplify this to get an $f' \in EXP$ with $H_{avg}(f') = n^{\omega(1)}$.

NW-theorem then implies $BPP \subseteq Subexp$.

- So, assume $EXP \subseteq P/poly$.

$EXP \subseteq MA$

$\subseteq PH \subseteq EXP \rightarrow$

Then (recall the initial lectures), $EXP = PH$.

This, with Toda's theorem ($PH \subseteq P^{per}$) means that $P^{per} = EXP$.

$$\Rightarrow P^{per} \not\subseteq BPP.$$

- This, essentially, says that per is hard & we will use it to define $G := NW_g^{per} : \{0,1\}^L \rightarrow \{0,1\}^n$.

with a superpoly-stretch.

- For an $L \in BPP$, if $B(x, r)$ is the randomized algorithm solving L , then we define the promised A as:

$$A(x) := \text{majority} \{ B(x, G(u_e)) \}.$$

ie. all
except finitely
many

- Suppose the Thm. statement is false. Then, for almost all n 's: $\Pr_{x \in U_n} [A(x) = L(x)] < 1 - \frac{1}{n}$.

$$\Rightarrow \Pr_{x \in U_n} [\text{maj} \{ B(x, G(u_e)) \} \neq \text{maj} \{ B(x, U_n) \}] > \frac{1}{n}.$$

$\Rightarrow$ We can fix $x = s_n \in \{0, 1\}^n$ s.t. the circuit family $\{D_n := B(s_n, \cdot) \mid n\}$ can distinguish, $G(u_e)$ from U_n , well.

- In fact, the circuit D_n can be constructed by a randomized poly-time algorithm (whp).

• Recalling the properties of $G = NW_g^{\text{per}}$, we can deduce that $\exists$ randomized poly-time algorithm T that can "learn" per_N , i.e.

Given oracle access to per_N , T runs in $\text{poly}(N)$ -time & produces a $\text{poly}(N)$ -sized circuit computing per_N .

• Now we can remove the need for the oracle because per_N is self-reducible:

$$\text{per}_N(M) = \sum_{i \in [N]} M_{1i} \cdot \text{per}_{N-1}(\text{minor}_{1i}(M)).$$

$\Rightarrow T$ can build $\text{per}_1, \text{per}_2, \dots, \text{per}_N$ recursively.

$\Rightarrow P^{\text{per}} \subseteq \text{BPP}$, which is a contradiction.

$\Rightarrow A(x)$ is "mostly" correct.

□

- The next prg application completes the proof of " $\text{PIT} \in \text{P} \Rightarrow \text{lower bounds}$ ".

Theorem (Impagliazzo, Kabanets, Wigderson 2001):
 $\text{NEXP} \subseteq \text{P/poly} \Rightarrow \text{NEXP} = \text{EXP}.$

Proof sketch:

- Let us assume that $\text{EXP} \subsetneq \text{NEXP} \subseteq \text{P/poly}.$
- We will derive a contradiction to the time-hierarchy theorem.
- Idea - $\exists L \in \text{NEXP} \setminus \text{EXP}$, which can be used to get a "hard" function. By the "worst-case vs. avg" we get a poly-stretch prg that can "derandomize" $\text{EXP} \subseteq \text{MA}.$
- Pick an $L \in \text{NEXP} \setminus \text{EXP}.$ $\exists c > 0$ & a relation $R(x, y)$ testable in $\exp(|x|^{10c})$ -time s.t.
$$x \in L \text{ iff } \exists y \in \{0, 1\}^{\exp(|x|^c)}, R(x, y) = 1.$$
- We now consider the complexity of y given $x.$
- For $D > 0$, let M_D be the following machine:
On input $x \in \{0, 1\}^n$,
1) enumerate boolean circuits of size n^{100D} that

take n^c -bit input & output 1-bit.

2) For each such circuit C , let $tt(C)$ be the 2^n -long string that corresponds to the truth-table of C .

3) If $\exists$ such C , $R(x, tt(C)) = 1$ then OUTPUT 1.

4) Else OUTPUT 0.

$\triangleright M_D$ runs in time $\exp(n^{101D} + n^{10C})$.

$\because L \notin EXP$, M_D cannot solve L . Thus, $\forall D$, $\exists$ infinite sequence of inputs $\chi_D := \{x_i | i\}$ on which $M_D(x_i) = 0$ even though $x_i \in L$.

$\Rightarrow \forall x \in \chi_D$, the y , for which $R(x, y) = 1$, represents the truth-table of a "hard" function that cannot be computed in $\text{Size}(n^{100D})$.

• By worst-case-hardness based prg, we can use y to get a ℓ^D -prg G_D .

- We know that $EXP \subseteq P/poly \Rightarrow EXP \subseteq MA$.
- Thus, $\forall L' \in EXP$, Merlin proves $x' \in L'$ by sending a proof, which Arthur can verify by a randomized algorithm in, say, n^D steps ($n := |x'|$).

- Here, Arthur can use the prog G_D .

Let $x'' \in X_D$, $|x''| = n$. Arthur guesses a string $y \in \{0,1\}^{exp(n^c)}$ s.t. $R(x'', y) = 1$ & uses y to design G_D .

Using G_D , Arthur reduces the random n^D -bits to n -bits.

this saves us from testing $x'' \in X_D$

▷ Arthur needs $poly(n^D) \cdot 2^{n^{10c}}$ - time, n random bits, n advice bits (for x''), 2^{n^c} -bit guess (for y),
 $\Rightarrow \exists c' > 0$ s.t.

▷ $EXP \subseteq \underbrace{i.o.}_{\text{infinitely-often}} - Ntime(2^{n^{c'}}) / \underbrace{2n}_{\text{advice-bits}}$.

[For a class $\mathcal{L}$, $L \in \underline{i.o.} - \mathcal{L}$ if $\exists M \in \mathcal{L}$ s.t. $L \cap \{0,1\}^n = M \cap \{0,1\}^n$ for ∞ -ly many n .]

- $\therefore \text{NEXP} \subseteq \text{P/poly}$, we can further write:
 $\exists c'' > 0, \text{EXP} \subseteq \text{i.o.-Size}(n^{c''})$.

- By standard diagonalization this can be ruled out. (Exercise.)

- This contradiction means:

$$\text{NEXP} \neq \text{EXP} \Rightarrow \text{NEXP} \not\subseteq \text{P/poly}. \quad \square$$

- This leads to the result:

Theorem (Impagliazzo & Kabanets, 2003):

$$\text{PIT} \in \text{P} \Rightarrow \text{NEXP} \not\subseteq \text{P/poly} \text{ or } \text{per} \not\subseteq \text{AlgP/poly}.$$