

EXP & INEXP

P vs NP

NP vs co-NP

$$\text{EXP} = \bigcup_{c \geq 1} \text{DTIME}(2^{n^c})$$

$$\mathbb{E} = \bigcup_{c \geq 1} \text{DTIME}(2^{cn})$$

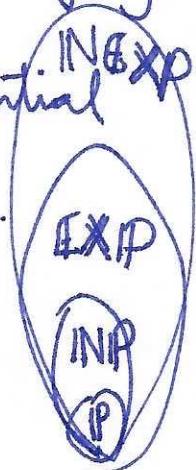
$$\text{INEXP} = \bigcup_{c \geq 1} \text{NTIME}(2^{n^c})$$

$$L \stackrel{f}{\leq_p} L'$$

Clm: $\text{NP} \subseteq \text{EXP}$

$$|x| \quad |f(x)| = \text{poly}(|x|)$$

Proof idea: For $L \in \text{NP}$, we have an exponential time algorithm that simply tries all certificates.



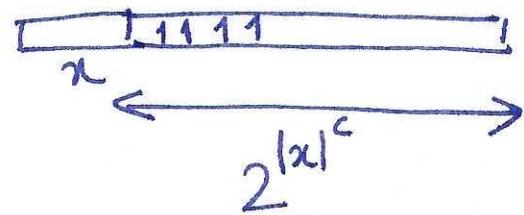
Thm: If $\text{EXP} \neq \text{INEXP}$, then $\text{P} \neq \text{NP}$.

Proof: Padding argument.

Assume $\text{P} = \text{NP}$. Consider $L \in \text{INEXP}$.

$\exists c \geq 1, L \in \text{NTIME}(2^{n^c})$. There is an NTM M that runs in $O(2^{n^c})$ time and decides L.

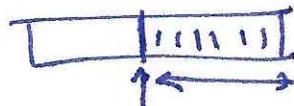
$$L_{\text{pad}} = \{ \langle x, 1^{2^{|x|^c}} \rangle \mid x \in L \}$$



Let us design a NTM M' that decides L_{pad} .

M' (on input w)

1. Checks if $w = \langle x, 1^{2^{|x|^c}} \rangle$. If not, REJECT.
2. Runs M on x , and follows output. $O(n)$



$O(n)$

Q. What is running time of M' ?

(A) $O(n^2)$ (B) $\text{poly}(n)$ (C) $O(2^{n^c})$

$$n = |w|$$

$L_{\text{pad}} \in \text{NP}$. We assume $\text{P} = \text{NP}$

Therefore, $L_{\text{pad}} \in \text{P}$. Let us show that $L \in \text{EXP}$.

$$L_{\text{pad}} = \left\{ \langle x, 1^{2^{|x|^c}} \rangle \mid x \in L \right\}$$

\exists polytime TM N that decides L_{pad} .

Consider N' (on input xw)

1. Constructs $\langle xw, 1^{2^{|xw|^c}} \rangle$.

2. Feeds this to N and follows output.

N' runs in $\text{poly}(2^{n^c})$ time, so $L \in \text{EXP}$.

$$\text{P} = \text{NP} \Rightarrow \text{EXP} = \text{NEXP}$$



Time Hierarchy Theorem

$\text{DTIME}(n^c)$

$\subsetneq \text{DTIME}(n^{ch})$

Thm: Let $f, g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ be time constructible.

such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n) \log f(n)}{g(n)} \rightarrow 0$ ($f(n) \log f(n) = o(g(n))$)
 $\forall n \quad f(n) \log f(n) < g(n)$

then $\text{DTIME}(f(n)) \subsetneq \text{DTIME}(g(n))$

Proof: Diagonalization!

For any string x Construct machine M

M (on input $\langle N \rangle$) M is like the MOST efficient TM for $L(M)$.

(1) Simulate N on $\langle N \rangle$ (using efficient simulation of Hennie-Stearns) for $g(n)$ steps
 $\xrightarrow{\text{TM}} n = |\langle N \rangle|$

(2) If simulation halts, flip output.
 Else, reject.

$L(M) \in \text{DTIME}(g(n))$

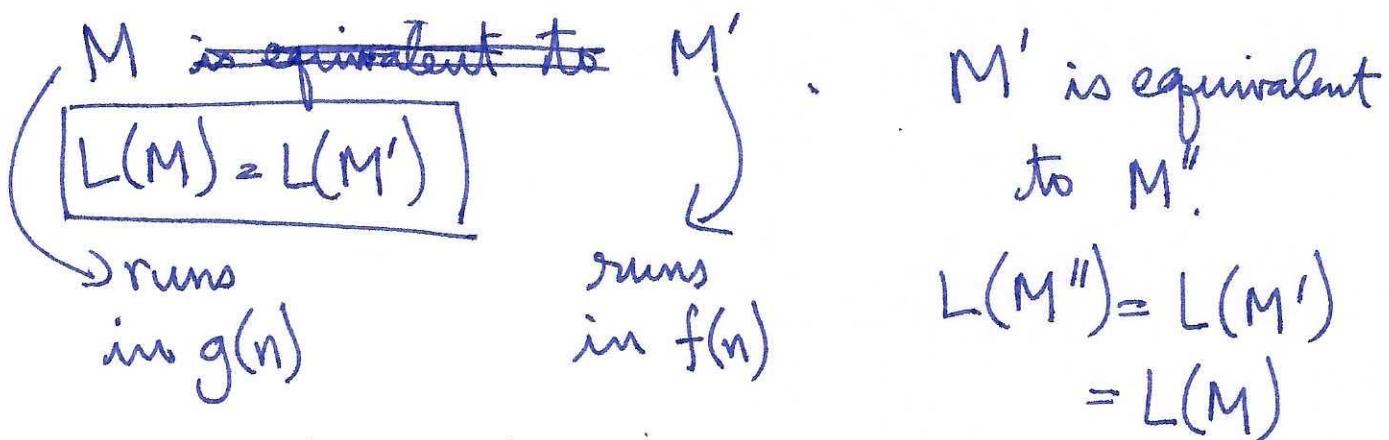
(We will show that $L(M) \notin \text{DTIME}(f(n))$.)

Suppose, for contradiction's sake, that

$L(M) \in \text{DTIME}(f(n))$, decided by TM M'.

M' (on input x) halts in $f(|x|)$ time

Consider some M'' that is equivalent to M' but has large enough encoding length to ensure that $f(x) f(K_{M''}) \log(K_{M''}) < g(K_{M''}x)$



Run $M(\underbrace{< M''>}_n)$ and see what happens.

$M''(< M''>)$ runs in $f(K_{M''})$ time

The simulation (by HS) runs in $f(K_{M''}) \log(\dots) < g(n)$.

So the simulation halts.

Output of $M(< M''>)$ is the opposite of $M''(< M''>)$.
Contradiction! So $L(M) \notin \text{DTIME}(f(n))$.

$$\text{Thm: } P \neq EXP$$

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$$\bigcup_{c \geq 1} DTIME(n^c) \quad g(n) = 2^n$$

$$\nsubseteq DTIME(n^c) \subsetneq DTIME(2^n)$$

$$\nrightarrow \bigcup_{c \geq 1} DTIME(n^c) \subsetneq DTIME(2^n)$$

$$P \subseteq NP \subseteq EXP$$

$$P \neq EXP$$

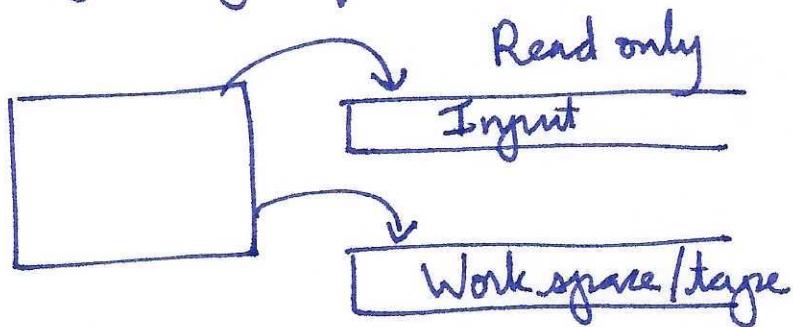
so ~~either~~ $P \neq NP$ or $NP \neq EXP$.

(We think both.)

Space complexity

To define space complexity, we will use more tapes

(Input tape : read only
work tape : usual
Output tape : final result)



Def: Let $s: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ be space-constructible.
 $\text{SPACE}(s(n))$ is the class of languages decided by TMs using at most $c.s(n)$ workspace.
 $s(n)$ can be less than n !

$$\text{PSPACE} = \bigcup_{c \geq 1} \text{SPACE}(n^c)$$

$$\text{NPSPACE} = \bigcup_{c \geq 1} \text{NSPACE}(n^c)$$

$$\text{L} = \text{SPACE}(\log n)$$

$$\text{NL} = \text{NSPACE}(\log n)$$

You need $O(\log n)$ space just to write down the input length.

In $< \log n$ space, it's hard to even decide very simple language.