

# Randomized Complexity Classes



**Las Vegas algorithms:**  
always correct result,  
expected time polynomial

**Monte Carlo algorithms:**  
always polynomial time,  
results expected correct

**Def:**  $L \in \mathbf{RP}$  if there is a polytime NTM which

- on inputs  $\underline{x} \notin L$  has only rejecting computations
- on inputs  $\underline{x} \in L$  has  $\geq 50\%$  accepting computations.

**$P \subseteq RP \subseteq NP$     $RP \subseteq BPP$**

**Example:**  $\text{MaMu} \in \mathbf{coRP}$ .

$\exists$  strong pseudo-random number generators?

**Open Question:**  $P$  versus  $RP$  versus  $NP$  versus  $BPP$

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**Lemma:**  $L \in \mathbf{BPP}$  if there is polyn.  $p$  and NTM which

- on all inputs  $\underline{x} \in \Sigma^n$  makes exactly  $p(n)$  steps
- on  $\underline{x} \notin L$  has  $\geq (1-2^{-n}) \cdot 2^{p(n)}$  rejecting computations
- on  $\underline{x} \in L$  has  $\geq (1-2^{-n}) \cdot 2^{p(n)}$  accepting computations.

**Proof:** Repeat  $O(n)$  times and report the majority vote

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# Relativized Complexity Classes



**Reminder:** Turing reduction, oracle-TM  $M^?$  has state  $q_?$  and query tape: for  $O \subseteq \Sigma^*$ ,  $q_? \rightarrow q_1$  if contents  $\in O$ , else  $\rightarrow q_0$

**Theorem** (Baker, Gill, Solovay 1975):

There exist  $A, B \subseteq \Sigma^*$  such that  $\mathbf{P}^A = \mathbf{NP}^A$  and  $\mathbf{P}^B \neq \mathbf{NP}^B$

**Definition:** Fix some class  $\mathbf{C}$  of languages.

$\mathbf{P}^{\mathbf{C}} := \{ L \subseteq \Sigma^* \text{ decided by polytime ODTM } M^O, O \in \mathbf{C} \}$

$\mathbf{NP}^{\mathbf{C}} := \{ L \subseteq \Sigma^* \text{ decided by polytime ONTM } M^O, O \in \mathbf{C} \}$

**Examples:**

a)  $\text{MinCircuit} \in \mathbf{coNP}^{\text{SAT}} = \mathbf{coNP}^{\text{NP}} \subseteq \mathbf{P}^{\text{NP}^{\text{NP}}}$  (Exercise)

b)  $\mathbf{P}^{\mathbf{P}} = \mathbf{P}$ ,  $\mathbf{NP}^{\mathbf{P}} = \mathbf{NP}$ ,  $\mathbf{PSPACE}^{\mathbf{PSPACE}} = \mathbf{PSPACE}$

c)  $\mathbf{NP} \cup \mathbf{coNP} \subseteq \mathbf{P}^{\text{NP}}$ ; „ $\neq$ “ unless  $\mathbf{NP} = \mathbf{coNP}$  (Exercise)