

Stochasticity in Algorithmic Statistics for Polynomial Time

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Proposition

For every probability distribution μ over binary strings of length n and for all β, ε and t we have

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Existence of non-stochastic strings for such parameters implies that $\text{P} \neq \text{PSPACE}$.

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Assume also that there is a set that is decidable by Turing machines in time $2^{O(n)}$ but is not decidable by Boolean circuits of size $2^{o(n)}$ for almost all n . Then

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