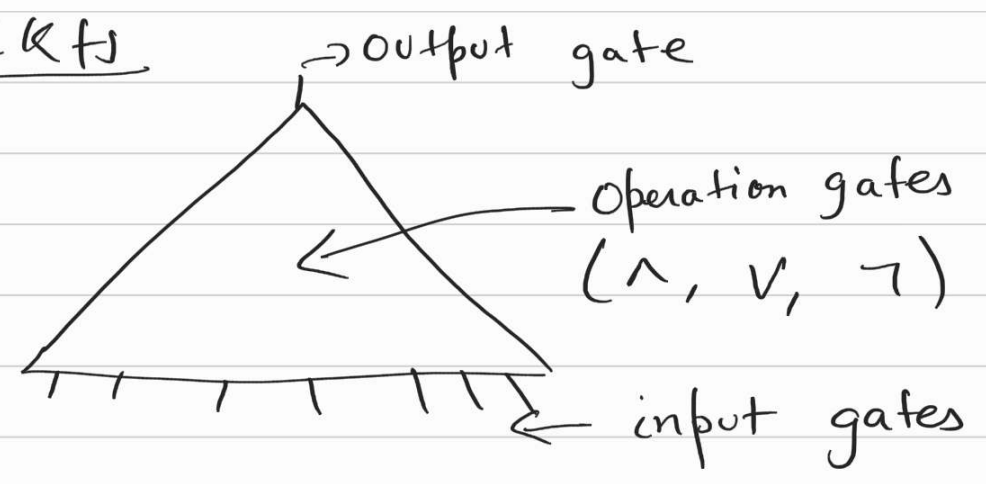


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CKTs



- Boolean Ckts.

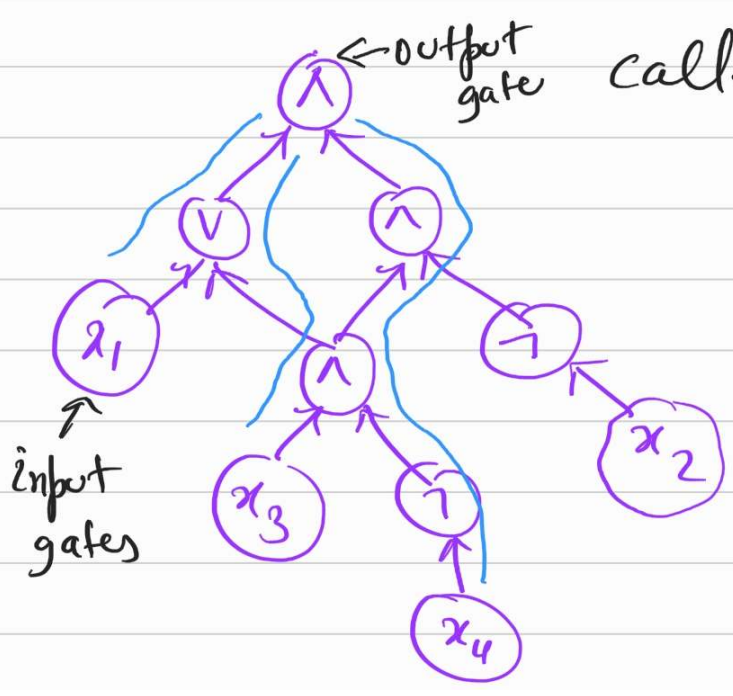
- It is a directed acyclic graph (DAG).

- nodes with indegree 0 are called inputs. They are labelled with input variables.

- nodes of indegree 1 are operation gates labelled with NOT

- Nodes of indegree 2 are operation gates labelled with AND (&) or OR (v)

- Nodes with outdegree 0 are called output gates.



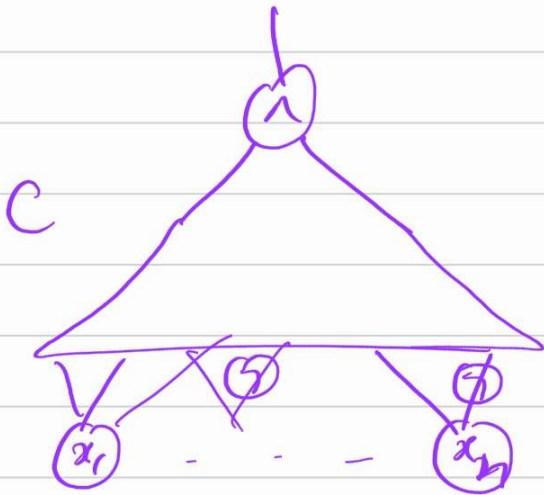
Complexity measures

(i) Size = # nodes

wlog we will only count &, v gates.

(1) Depth = length of the longest path from output node to any input gate.

(Not gates don't count towards depth).



$$S \subseteq \{0,1\}^n$$

$$\text{where } S = \{x \in \{0,1\}^n \mid$$

$$C(x) = 1\}$$

A language $L \subseteq \{0,1\}^*$.

In other words a ckt has fixed input length.

Circuit family := $\{C_0, C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n, \dots\}$

a language $L \subseteq \{0,1\}^*$ is recognized by

a ckt family $\{C_n\}_{n \geq 0}$ if

$$\forall n \geq 0, \forall x \in \{0,1\}^n \quad x \in L \Leftrightarrow C_n(x) = 1$$

C_n exactly recognizes $L \cap \{0,1\}^n$.
(decides)
(computes)

On every input $y \in \{0,1\}^n$, C_n will
either output 1 or 0.

$$f : \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$$

family of functions. $\{f_n\}_{n \geq 1}$

$$f_n(x) = 1 \text{ iff } x \in L.$$

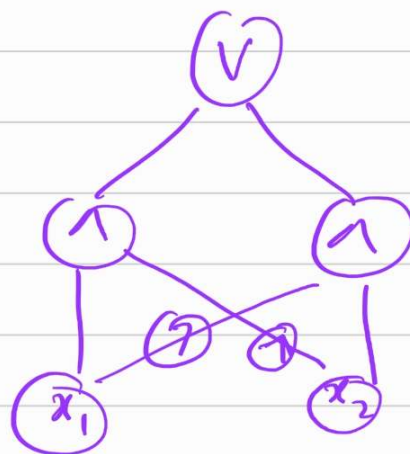
a family of ckts $\{C_n\}$ computes
a family of functions $\{f_n\}$.

$$\text{PARITY}_n : \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$$

$$\text{PARITY}_n(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \#1\text{'s in } x \\ & \text{is odd} \\ 0 & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$$

$$\{\text{PARITY}_n\}_{n \geq 1}$$

$$n=2, \text{ PARITY}_2 = (x_1 \wedge \bar{x}_2) \vee (\bar{x}_1 \wedge x_2)$$



Defn:- We say that a language L is in $\text{SIZE}(s(n))$ if \exists a $s(n)$ -sized ckt family $\{C_n\}$ s.t. $\forall x \in \{0,1\}^n$
 $x \in L \Leftrightarrow C_n(x) = 1$.

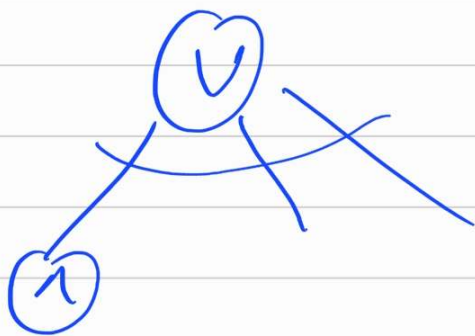
($s(n)$ -sized ckt family means $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$
 $|C_n| \leq s(n)$).

$$\{\text{AND}_n\} \in \text{SIZE}(n)$$

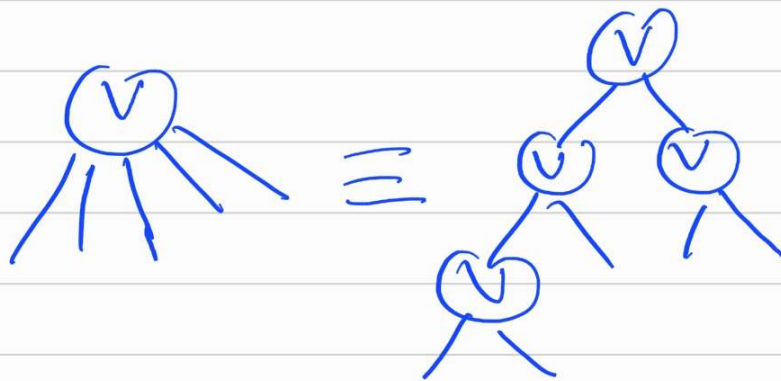
Every function $f: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ can be computed by a ckt.

$$\therefore \bigvee_{x \in f^{-1}(1)} \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{expression evaluating to} \\ \text{1 on } x \end{array} \right] \left. \begin{array}{l} f(1011) = 1 \\ x_1 \wedge \bar{x}_2 \wedge x_3 \wedge x_4 \end{array} \right\} \text{SIZE} \leq |f^{-1}(1)| \cdot n \leq 2^n \cdot n$$

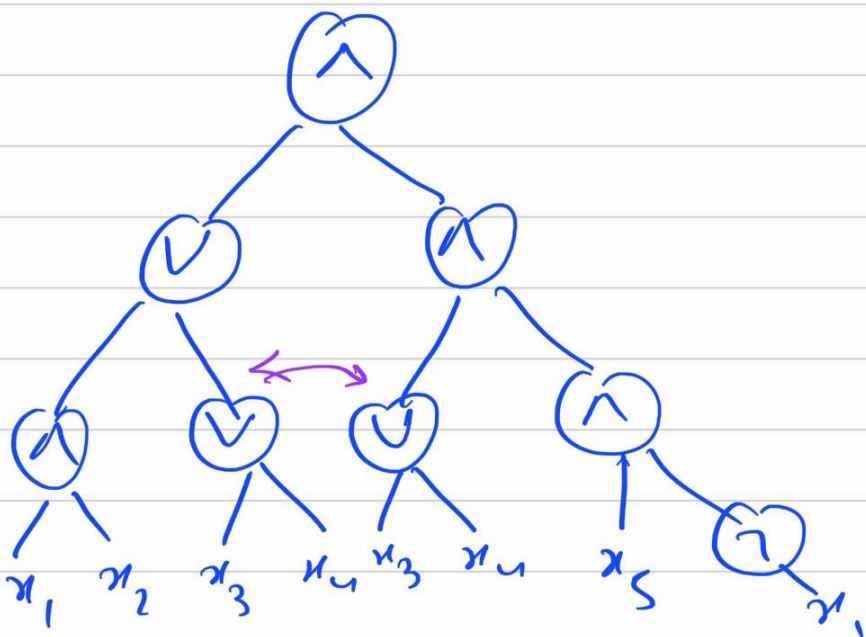
Formula vs Ckt :-



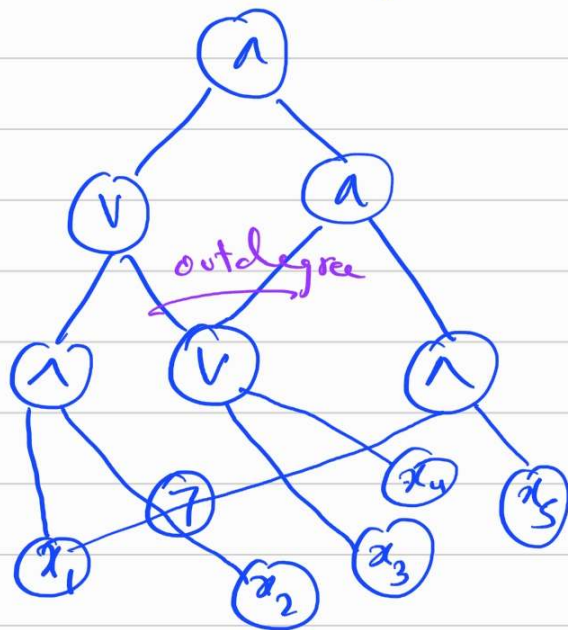
always reduce larger fan-in gates to indegree 2-gates



In formula every nodes has outdegree at most 1. fan-out



Tree



DAG

Defn :- P/poly : the class of languages that are decidable by polynomial

Sized ckt family.

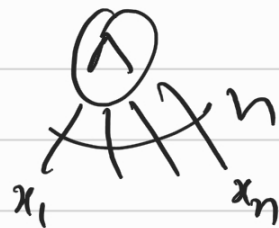
In other words : $P/poly := \bigcup_{c \geq 0} SIZE(n^c)$

Unary language :- $L \subseteq \{1\}^*$
" $\{1, 111, 1111, 11111, \dots\}$

Prop:- Every Unary language is in P/poly.

Proof:- $L^n := L \cap \{1^n\} = \begin{cases} \{1^n\} & \text{if } 1^n \in L \\ \emptyset & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$

$\{c_n\}$ if $1^n \in L$,



o/w

(0)

Note! At every length ckt allow you to have a different algorithm.

This is in contrast to TM because there you have one algorithm for

every input length.

$UHALT := \{ I^n \mid \text{binary encoding of } n \text{ encodes } \langle M, x \rangle \text{ s.t. } M \text{ halts on input } x \}$

Prop:- $UHALT$ is undecidable.

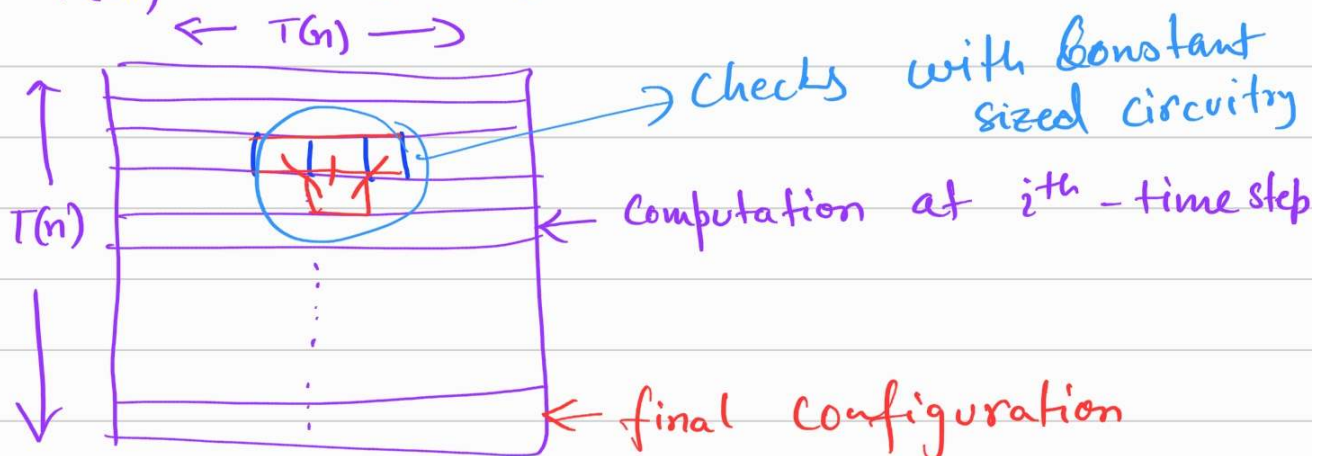
Proof:- Because HALTING Problem is undecidable.

BUT, $UHALT \in P/poly$.

Thm:- $P \subseteq P/poly$.

Proof:- (Cook-Levin Thm)

let M be $T(n)$ -time DTM.



∴ you get a ckt of $O(T(n)^2)$.

Also: size of the ckt can be improved to $O(T(n) \log T(n))$

using Oblivious Turing Machines.

NOTE: you can produce this ckt in polynomial-time.

P-Uniform Ckts:

A ckt family $\{C_n\}$ is P-Uniform if \exists a poly-time DTM M that on input 1^n produces the description of the ckt C_n .

$$M(1^n) \longrightarrow C_n$$

Turing Machines give Uniform family of cks.

whereas. Circuits by definition are allowed to be "non-uniform".

Defn:- (CKT-SAT) : Given a ckt C

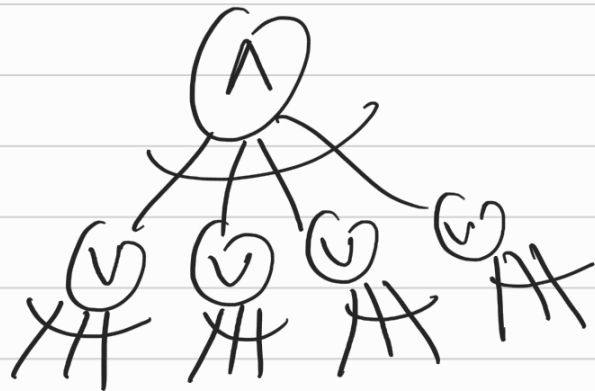
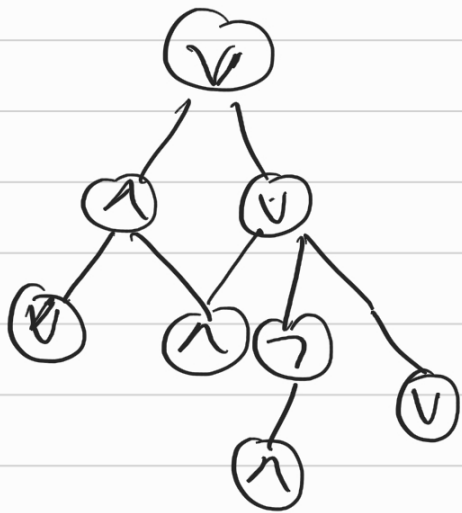
on n variables decide if \exists an

assignment $a \in \{0,1\}^n$ s.t. $C(a) = 1$.

you have seen : CNF-SAT

↑
Conjunctive Normal Form

$$(x_1 \vee \bar{x}_2 \vee \bar{x}_3) \wedge (v \dots v) \wedge (v \dots v)$$



Lemma : CKT-SAT \in NP ✓

Lemma : CKT-SAT is NP-Hard?

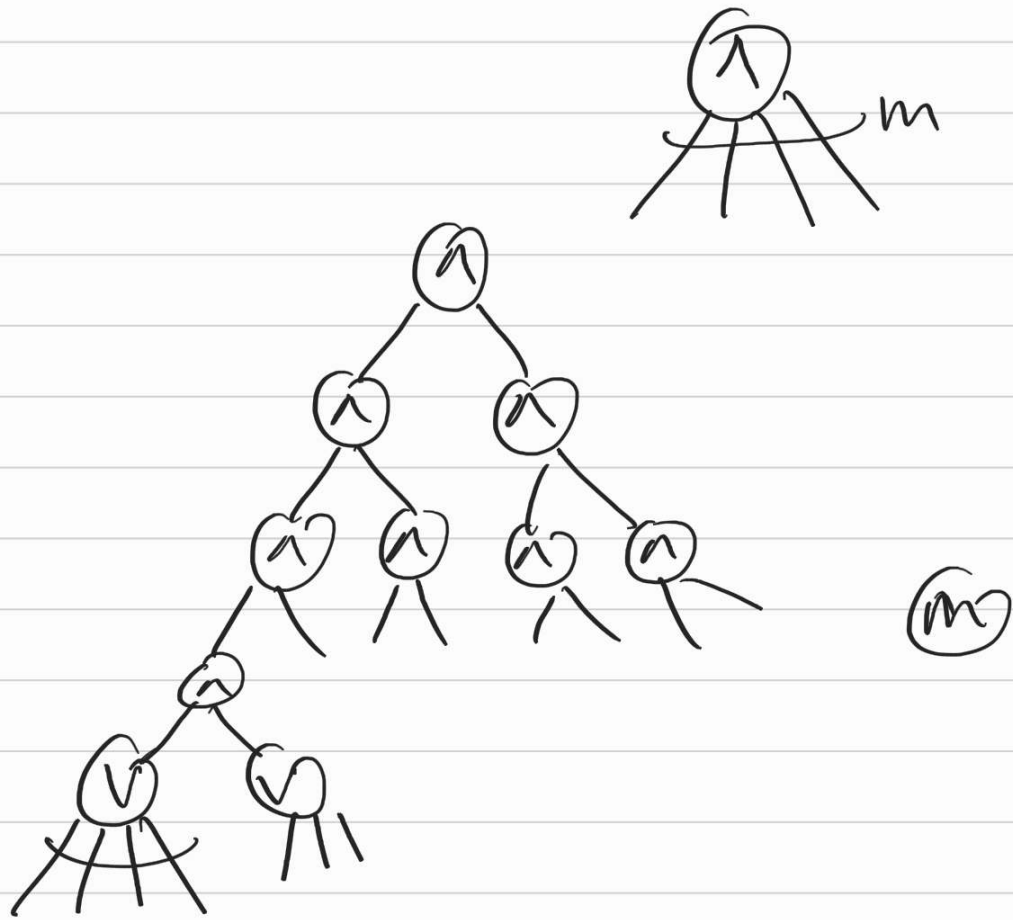
CKT-SAT \leq_p 3SAT (Exercise).

Does this prove CKT-SAT NP-Hard?

No.

$$\exists \text{SAT} \leq_P \text{Ckt-SAT}$$

$$(x_1 \vee \bar{x}_2 \vee x_3) \wedge (x_5 \vee \bar{x}_1 \vee x_{10}) \wedge \dots \wedge ()$$



Thm :- Ckt-SAT is NP-complete.

P/poly :- class of poly-sized ckt.

Thm :- $P = P\text{-uniform } P/poly$

earlier we saw $P \subseteq P/poly$.

Requiring uniformity allows us to

Capture Turing Machines with Ckts.

What about the reverse direction?

Advice to TM:

TM that have a special read-only tape that has a string or "advice"

on it.

Formally, for every input length n

TM gets a string $\alpha(n)$ on the advice tape.

Usual Turing machine with a tape written $\alpha(n)$ on it.

Defn:- $D\text{TIME}(T(n)) / \alpha(n)$ is

the class of languages decidable by

a $T(n)$ -time DTM M with $\alpha(n)$ -bits of advice.

It means \exists a sequence $\{a_n\}$ of strings with $a_n \in \{0,1\}^{\alpha(n)}$ and a TM M s.t.

$$x \in L \iff M(x, a_n) = 1.$$

note:- for every input length n , \exists a single string a_n .

$$P/poly \equiv \bigcup_{c,d} \text{DTIME}(n^c) / n^d$$

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Thm: c, d
CKTs of poly size

$$\text{Thm}:- P/poly = \bigcup_{c,d} \text{DTIME}(n^c) / n^d.$$

We saw that every unary language is in P/poly.

Suppose we want a TM with an advice deciding the unary language.

$\forall x \in \{0,1\}^n$ has the same advice a_n .

to decide a unary language.

for every length n

advice is 1 if $1^n \in L$

advice is 0 if $1^n \notin L$.

On input x

the machine M first figures out the length of x , say it is n .

if $a_n = 1$.

then M checks if $x = 1^n$

if $a_n = 0$.

then M rejects.

$$\underline{\text{Thm :-}} \quad P/\text{poly} = \bigcup_{c,d} \text{DTIME}(n^c) / n^d$$

$$\text{DTIME}(n^c) / n^d \subseteq P/\text{poly} \quad (\text{easy}).$$

(poly-sized ckts)

→ Similar to Cook-Levin Thm.

fix the advice string in the
Ckt.

$$L \in \text{DTIME}(n^c) / n^d$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists M \text{ and } \{a_n\} \text{ s.t. } a_n \in \{0,1\}^{n^d}$$

$$\text{s.t. } x \in L \Leftrightarrow M(x, a_n) = \#.$$

Convert M into a ckt following
Cook-Levin.

it takes two inputs x, a_n .

Then fix a_n corresponding to advice
variables.

$$P/poly \subseteq \bigcup_{c,d} DTIME(n^c) / n^d$$

$L \in P/poly \Rightarrow \exists$ a $\{C_n\}$ s.t.

$x \in L \Leftrightarrow C_n(x) = 1$ when

C_n has polynomial size. $|C_n| \leq s(n)$

So given ckt C_n and x you

can evaluate C_n on x using a

TM in polynomial-time.

So our advice to the TM is just

the description of C_n for every n .

How many bits do you need to describe C_n ?

⊕ At most $O(s(n)^2)$.

$UEVEN := \{1^n \mid n \text{ is even}\} \in P$ ^{easy}

$UHALT := \{1^n \mid n \text{ encodes } \langle M, x \rangle \text{ s.t. } M \text{ halts on } x\} \notin P$
 $\in P/poly$.

for an arbitrary unary language L

$$|L \cap \{0,1\}^n| = 1 \text{ or } 0$$

$$\therefore L \in P/poly.$$

Since $P/poly$ can decide Undecidable languages

is it even worth studying?

or, is all of NP in $P/poly$?

Thm [Karp-Lipton-Sipser Thm]

if $NP \subseteq P/poly$ then $PH = \Sigma_2^P$.

if $NP \not\subseteq P/poly \Rightarrow P \neq NP$