Lecture 7.2: Pseudorandom Functions



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- A random function is: $f \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{F}_n$

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Definition (Oracle Indistinguishability)

Two oracle ensembles $\{O_n\}$ and $\{O'_n\}$ are computationally indistinguishable if for all n.u. PPT oracle machines D, there exists a negligible function $\varepsilon(\cdot)$ such that:

$$\Pr[f \leftarrow O_n : D^f(1^n) = 1] - \Pr[f \leftarrow O'_n : D^f(1^n) = 1] \leq \varepsilon(n)$$

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$$\{s \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0,1\}^n \colon f_s\} \approx \{f \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{F}_n \colon f\}$$