

## Announcements:

- HW4 due today @ 11:59pm
- HW5 due next Tues @ midnight

## Final Exam:

- Available on GradeScope from 12:01 AM on Weds 6/29 - 9:00pm on Friday 7/1
- Can work for any consecutive 12 hours during this block.
- Open resources:  
book, notes, class resources
- Closed resources -  
peers, internet (except unrelated LaTeX)
- Posting on Ed: clarification only
- Course Assessments — CW/Ed.

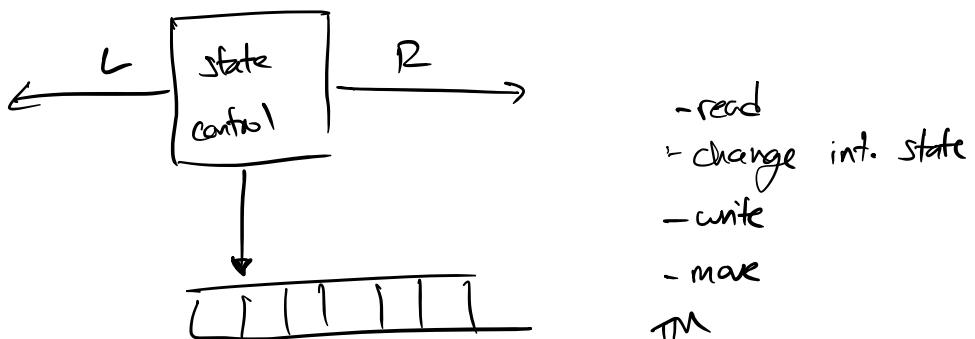
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## 1. TMs and their Languages (cont'd)

### 2. Variant TMs.

- 2.1) Multitape
- 2.2) Nondeterministic
- 2.3) Enumerators

### 3. Undecidable language, unrecognizable language.



Recognizable:  $L$  is recognizable if ~~some~~ <sup>some TM</sup> halts and accept on exactly the strings in the language

Decidable:  $L$  is decidable if some TM halts, accepts <sup>all</sup> strings in the language; halts, rejects <sup>all</sup> strings not in the language.

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Decidable:

$$A = \{0^{2^n} \mid n \geq 0\}$$

$$B = \{w\#w \mid w \in \{0,1\}^*\}$$

$$C = \{a^i b^j c^k \mid i \times j = k\}$$

$$D = \{\#x_1 \# x_2 \dots \# x_e \mid x_i \neq x_j \text{ if } i \neq j\}$$

$$A_{\text{DFA}} = \{\langle D, w \rangle \mid D \text{ a DFA that accepts } w\}$$


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Recognizable:

$$A_{\text{TM}} = \{\langle M, w \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM that accepts string } w\}$$

)Church-Turing thesis(

"what computers can do"  
"our intuitive notion of algorithm"  $\approx$  "what TMs can do."

Decide

- $A_{NFA} = \{ \langle N, w \rangle \mid N \text{ is an NFA that accepts on } w \}$ .
  - simulate  $N(w)$ !
  - $N \Rightarrow DFA$ , use our TM for  $A_{DFA}$ .
- $A_{REX}$ : similar.  
 $= \{ \langle R, w \rangle \mid R \text{ is a reg. ex and } R \text{ matches } w \}$ .

Tool 1: using previous deciders as subroutines.

- $E_{DFA} = \{ \langle D \rangle \mid D \text{ is a DFA that accepts no strings.} \}$

To decide:

1. Mark the start state
2. BFS on the state diagram to find all reachable states.
3. Accept if and only if no reachable accept states.

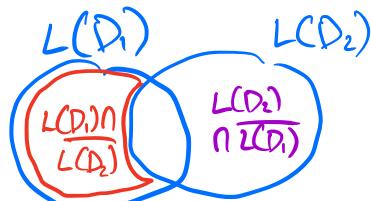
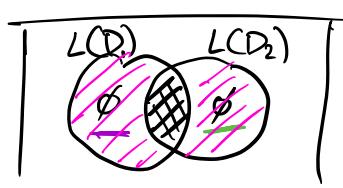


Decide

- $EQ_{DFA} = \{ \langle D_1, D_2 \rangle \mid D_1, D_2 \text{ are DFAs and } L(D_1) = L(D_2) \}$

"simulate  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  on all strings"

To decide: use regular operations.



Our decider will do the following:

1) Build DFAs for  $\overline{L(D_1)}$  and  $\overline{L(D_2)}$   
(swap accept, reject).

2) Using our procedure that builds DFAs for  $A \cup B$ ,  $A \cap B$ ,  
Build DFA for:

$$(\overline{L(D_1)} \cap L(D_2)) \cup (\underline{L(D_1)} \cap \overline{L(D_2)})$$

3) Simulate  $E_{DFA}$  on this new DFA and accept  
if and only if  $E_{DFA}$  accepts.

$$\underline{E_{CFG} = \{\langle G \rangle \mid G \text{ is a CFG } L(G) = \emptyset\}}$$



Algorithm for deciding.

1. Mark all terminals with a dot.

2. While the marked set is still increasing —

— mark all variables that produce a string of  
only marked symbols with a dot.

3. Accept if and only if start state is not marked.

Puzzles.

(1) Decide  $ALL_{DFA} = \{\langle D \rangle \mid D \text{ is a DFA that accepts }$



— Start at the  $\rightarrow O$ , use BFS to check if all strings?.

all reachable states are accepted  $\odot$ .

(2) Decide  $A_{CFG} = \{\langle G, w \rangle \mid G \text{ is a CFG that generates } w\}$

— Convert  $G$  to a PDA and simulating.

(+) Recognize  $\overline{E_{TM}} = \{\langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM that accepts at least one string}\}$   
 - BFS over internal states  $Q(M)$ ?

(+) Given a CFG  $G$  for a language  $A$ , design a TM that recognizes  $A$ .

Idea 1: Simulate  $M$  on  $\Sigma^*$  until  $M$  accepts on some string.

Idea 2:

strategy for deciding loops!

For  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$   
 If  $S_0, S_1, \dots$  is a list of all strings in  $\Sigma^*$   
 Simulate  $M$  on  $S_0$  through  $S_i$  for  $i$  steps each, or until halts.  
 Accept if any simulation accepts.

(Suppose  $S_{1000} \in L(M)$ , and  $M(S_{1000})$  accepts in  $t$  steps. our TM finds out on the iteration of the loop  $\max(1000, t)$ .)

(+) Given a CFG  $G$  for a language  $A$ , design a TM that recognizes  $A$ .

Know: There's some TM (call it  $S$ ) that decides

$$A_{CFG} = \{\langle G, w \rangle \mid G \text{ generates } w\}.$$

Our TM that decides  $A$  works as follows:

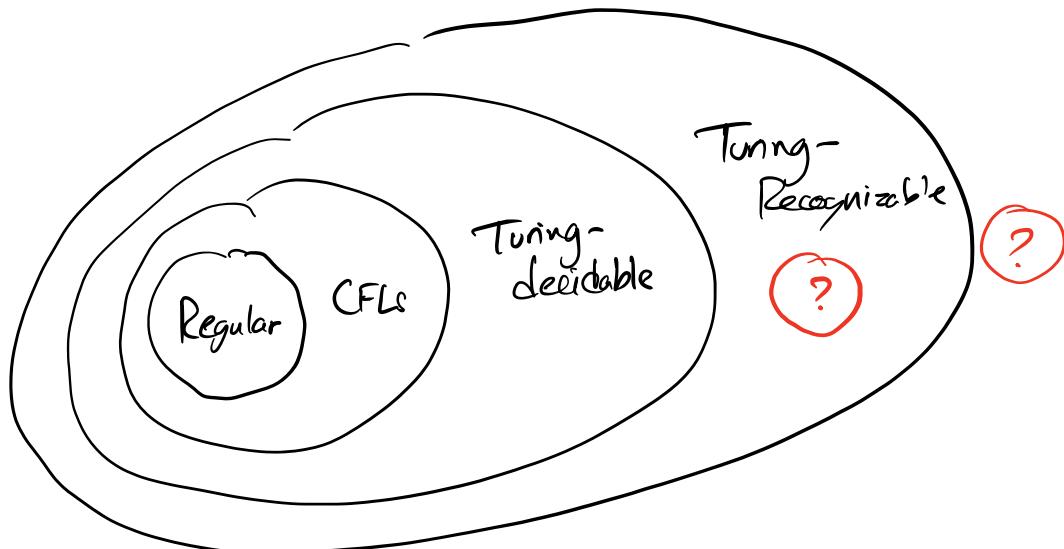
$M$  = "On input  $w$ , //Goal: accept if and only if  $w \in L(G)$ .

1. Write down  $\langle G, w \rangle$ . Implicit in  $\langle G, w \rangle$  are the internal states.

2. Simulate  $S$  on  $\langle G, w \rangle$  "hard-coded"

and accept if and only if  $S$  accepts.  
(reject otherwise)

Corollary of this machine: Every context-free language  
is decidable.

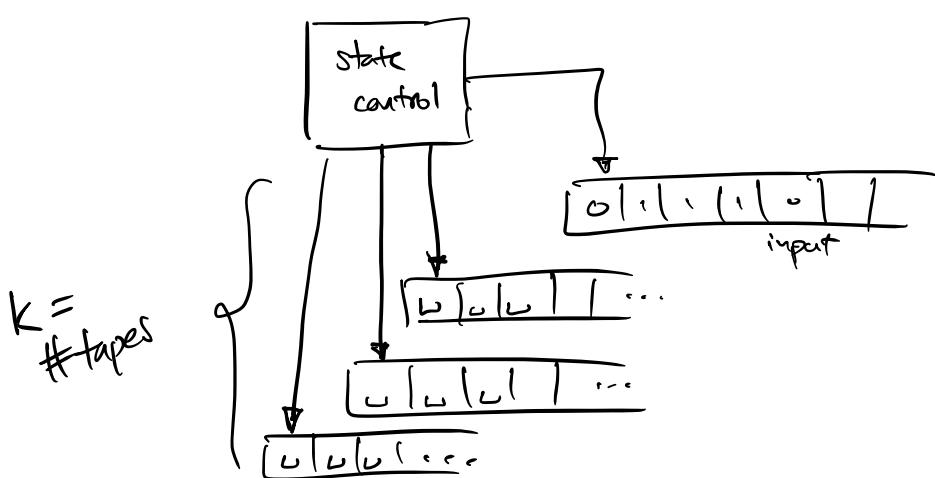


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Break at 2:38

## 2) TM Variants

### 2.1) Multitape TM.



## Formal defin of a multitape TM

- exactly the same as an ordinary TM except transition function

$$\delta: Q \times \Gamma^k \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma^k \times \{L, R\}^k$$

$$\mathbb{Z}^2 = \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}.$$

$$\Gamma^k = \underbrace{\Gamma \times \Gamma \times \Gamma \dots}_{k \text{ times.}}$$

Theorem: every multitape TM has an equivalent 1-tape TM.

Idea: Take an arbitrary multitape TM,  
show of a regular TM that does the same thing.

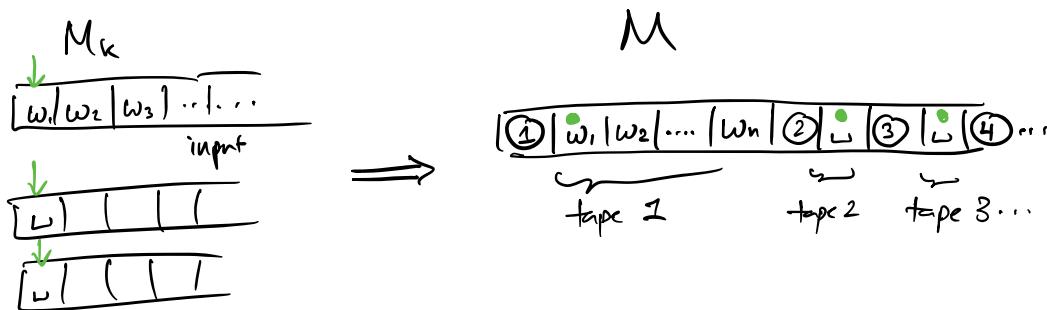
Proof sketch:

Consider the behavior of a multitape TM  $M_k$  on input  $w$ .

Our equivalent TM works as follows:

$M$  = "on input  $w$ :

1. write down the input contents of all tapes in  $M_k$ , separated by markers.



2. Mark tape heads with a dot.
3. Simulate  $M_k$  on  $w$  one step at a time.
4. Whenever we run out of space on a simulated tape:

- pause simulation of  $M_K$
- run subroutine: shift tape contents over one square  
to make room
- unpause.

5. Accept/reject if our  $M_K$  simulation accepts/rejects.

General strategy: Show a variant TM recognizes the same languages as a regular TM:

- 1) Show any instance of the variant has an equivalent TM.
- 2) Show any TM has an equivalent variant TM.  
has the same output on all inputs

## 2.2) Nondeterministic TM

Defined exactly as TMs, but with transition function

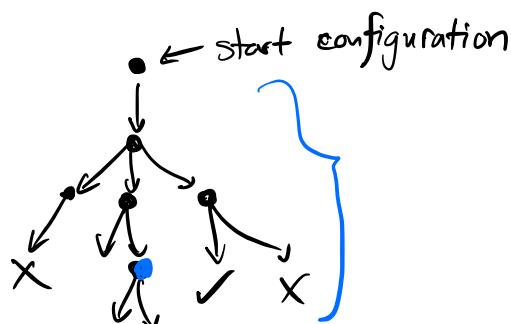
$$S: Q \times \Gamma \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(Q \times \Gamma \times \{L, R\}).$$

Accept if any branch reaches the accept state.

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different branches move,  
write, go to different  
states.

Theorem: Every NTM has an equivalent TM.

nondeterministic  
computation.



Goal: make our TM search this tree for an accepting branch.

Proof sketch: Given a NTM  $T_N$ , consider the deterministic TM  $T_D$  that works as follows.

$\uparrow$   
multitape!

$T_D$  has three tapes:

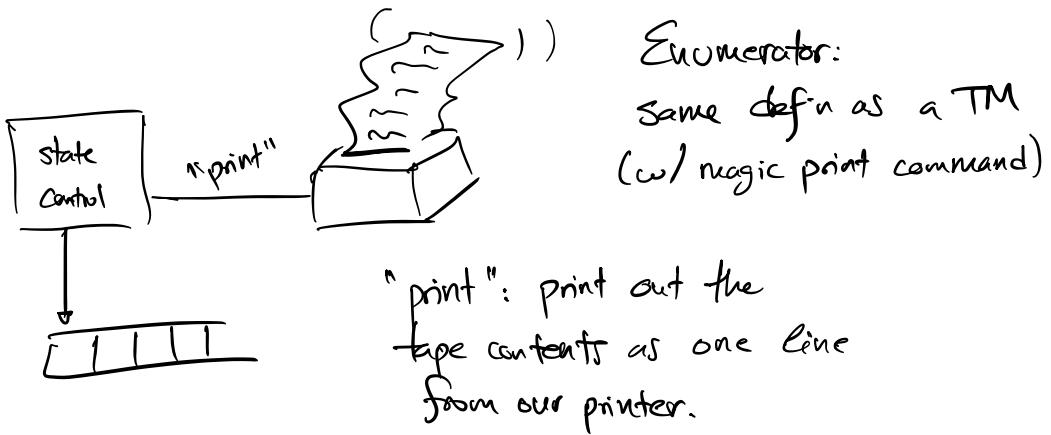
- input tape stores the input and doesn't change.
- address tape: stores a picture of the tree of computation we've traversed and how to reach each config.

- simulation tape is where we simulate  $T_N$ .

$T_D$  does the following on  $w$ :

1. Use BFS to explore the tree of computational paths.
2. To get to a new node, use tree info in the address tape to simulate  $T_N$  to get there.
3. Accept if we ever reach an accepting configuration, reject if we finish the tree and all branches reject.

### 2.3) Enumerators.



Language enumerated: the set of all strings our enumerator prints.  
(can be infinite!)

Theorem: A language is Turing-recognizable if and only if some enumerator enumerates it (on  $\epsilon$  input).

Proof:

1. Suppose some enumerator  $E$  enumerates  $L$  on input  $\epsilon$ .

Consider the TM  $M$  that works as follows:

$M$  = "On input  $w$ :

1. Ignore the input.
2. Simulate  $E$  on  $\epsilon$  ( $E$  is hardcoded.)
3. Accept if the input  $w$  is ever output by the simulation of  $E$ ."

2. Suppose a TM  $M$  recognizes  $L$ .

Consider the following enumerator:

Let  $s_0, s_1, s_2, \dots$  be an infinite list of all strings over  $\Sigma$ .

$E$  = "On input  $\epsilon$ :

For  $i=0, 1, 2, \dots$

Simulate  $M$  on  $s_0, s_1 \dots s_i$  for  $i$  steps.  
Print any string that  $M$  accepts."

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### 3. Undecidable & Unrecognizable Languages.

Liar's: "This statement is false." T? X  
F? X

Russell's:

"The barber shaves everyone who doesn't shave themself."

"Let  $S$  be the set of all sets that don't contain themselves.  
Is  $S \in S$ ?"

Theorem:  $A_{TM} = \{\langle M, w \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM and } M \text{ accepts } w\}$   
is undecidable.

Goal: Assume for contradiction  
 $A_{TM}$  is decidable  $\Rightarrow$  paradox.

Proof: Assume  $H$  is a TM that decides  $A_{TM}$ .

- $H(\langle M, w \rangle)$  accepts/rejects if  $M(w)$  accepts/doesn't accept.  
 $\uparrow$  "run  $H$  on input  $\langle M, w \rangle$ "       $\uparrow$  "Run  $M$  on  $w$ ".

- Very special input:

(\*)  $H(\langle M, \langle M \rangle \rangle)$  accept if and only if  $M(\langle M \rangle)$  accepts.  
(reject otherwise.)

function foo(string s) {  
 return len(s);  
}

foo("function foo(string s) {return len(s);}")

Define a new machine  $P$ .

$P' =$  "On input  $\langle M \rangle$ , simulate  $H(\langle M, \langle M \rangle \rangle)$  and return the opposite of  $H(\langle M, \langle M \rangle \rangle)$ ."  
(\*)

What happens when we run  $P(\langle P \rangle)$ ?

-  $P$  will simulate  $H(\langle P, \langle P \rangle \rangle)$ .  
(\*)

- If  $P(\langle P \rangle)$  accepts,  $H(\langle P, \langle P \rangle \rangle)$  accepts,  $P(\langle P \rangle)$  rejects.

- If  $P(\langle P \rangle)$  rejects,  $H(\langle P, \langle P \rangle \rangle)$  rejects,  $P(\langle P \rangle)$  accepts.

Paradox! Assumption that  $H$  decides  $A_{TM}$  is false.  $\blacksquare$