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Models of computation

There are 4 models of computation model and their algorithm. We expressed $f(n)$ from a domain of legal input to codomain of corresponding output.

1. **Finite state machine/ Deterministic finite automaton**-is a mathematical model of computation. It is an abstract machine that can be in exactly one of a finite number of *states* at any given time.
Problems solved using this machine model are known as **Regular languages**.
2. Push down automaton-It is a finite automata which is used to recognise **context free languages**.
3. Linear bound automaton- used to recognise **context sensitive language**
4. Turing machines- **Recursively enumerable language**.

Types of computational problems

1. **Optimisation problem**- When there is objective function we have two options maximization and minimization. There are two conditions feasible and infeasible. In feasible basic conditions are satisfied and in infeasible basic/primary conditions are not satisfied.
Both feasible and infeasible solution have a cost associated with it.
E.g. single source shortest path.

2. Decision problems - Special class of computational problems where ans has yes/no as an output.

E.g. whether the given graph is connected or not, is the sequence sorted or not.

Formal languages- is a set of strings of symbols drawn from a finite alphabet.

$\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$

$\Sigma^0 = \epsilon$ (epsilon is the identity for concatenation and it is the string of zero length)

$\Sigma^1 = \{a, b, c\}$

$\Sigma^2 = \{aa, ab, ac, ba, bb, bc, ca, cb, cc\}$

$\Sigma^3 = 3^3 = 27$ elements.

E.g. to demonstrate that every computational problem can be mapped to strings.

Each monotonic block should be longer than the previous one.

$\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$

a

aa

aabbb

aabbbccccbbbbbb

All the above strings $\in I$

bbc $\notin I$