

Introduction to Computing Theory

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Problem 1: Rice Theorem in Undecidability

Classify whether each of the following languages are recursive, recursively enumerable but not recursive, or non-recursively enumerable. Prove your answers, but you may not simply appeal to Rice's theorem.

1. $L_5 = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM, and } L(M) \text{ is uncountable} \}$
2. $L_6 = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid \text{TM } M \text{ accepts at least two strings of different lengths} \}$

Solution for 1. L_5 is recursive. $L_5 = \emptyset$. Any of the languages is countable based on the finite alphabet.

Solution for 2. L_6 is recursively enumerable but not recursive.

L_6 is recursively enumerable. Constructing a Universal Turing Machine which takes " M " as input. In the following order, it generates strings of different lengths from 0 to infinity according to the alphabet marked as $\omega_0, \omega_1, \omega_2, \dots$. And with the lexicographical input strings, it simulates M . When M halts on two strings of different lengths, it will halt.

- Do 1 step of M 's computation on ω_0
- Do 2 steps of M 's computation on ω_0 and ω_1
- Do 3 steps of M 's computation on ω_0, ω_1 and ω_2

L_6 is not recursive. Use the same method used to prove the Rice Theorem. If L_6 is recursive, then there is a reduction to the halting problem $H = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ halts on } e \}$.

Assume L_6 is decidable, then for any TM, we can decide whether it belongs to L_6 . Given an TM M , construct a TM M_e with input x : if $x \neq 0, 10$, reject; else simulate M on e . $L(M_e) = \emptyset$ if M doesn't halt on e , else $L(M_e) = \{0, 10\}$. However, which is also another form of L_6 that is assumed recursive. Contradiction.

Recall : the proof of Rice Theorem.

Given a TM M , we construct a TM M_e with input ω . First take certain TM " M^* " which belongs to the subset of r.e. languages.

It executes as follows: first simulate M on input e , then simulate M^* on input ω .

$L(M_e) = \emptyset$ if M doesn't halt on e , else $L(M_e) = L(M^*)$.

However, which is also another form of the problem to be proved. Contradiction.

Problem 2: Encoding of Language

The encoding of an object O is represented as " O ". Similarly, the encoding of several objects O_1, \dots, O_k is represented as " O_1 " " O_2 " ... " O_k ". Convert the following problems into the corresponding languages.

1. Given a DFA A and a string ω , does A accept ω ?
2. Let D be a DFA, given a string ω , does D accept ω ?
3. Given two DFAs A and B , is $L(A) = L(B)$?

Solution for 1. $A_{DFA} = \{ "A" \omega : A \text{ is a DFA that accepts } \omega \}$

Solution for 2. $A_\omega = \{ " \omega " : D \text{ accepts } \omega \}$

Solution for 3. $EQ_{DFA} = \{ "A" "B" : A \text{ and } B \text{ are two DFAs, } L(A) = L(B) \}$

Pay attention to the description of **GIVEN**.

Problem 3: Reduction from SB_{DFA} to E_{DFA}

Let $SB_{DFA} = \{ "D_1" "D_2" : D_1 \text{ and } D_2 \text{ are two DFAs with } L(D_1) \subset L(D_2) \}$. Give a reduction from SB_{DFA} to E_{DFA} .

Solution Suppose TM M_E decides E_{DFA} .

Construct a TM M that decides SB_{DFA} : $M =$ on input " D_1 " " D_2 ":

1. construct a DFA D' with $L(D') = L(D_1) - L(D_2) = L(D_1) \cap \neg L(D_2)$
2. run M_E on " D' "
3. output the result

the reduction $f("D_1" "D_2") = "D"$

SB_{DFA} is decidable iff D' is decidable.

Some abbreviation of TM decision problems.

1. $A_{DFA} = \{ "D" \omega : D \text{ is DFA that accepts } \omega \}$
2. $A_{NFA} = \{ "D" \omega : D \text{ is NFA that accepts } \omega \}$
3. $E_{DFA} = \{ "D" : D \text{ is DFA and } L(D) = \emptyset \}$
4. $EQ_{DFA} = \{ "A" "B" : A, B \text{ are DFAs and } L(A) = L(B) \}$
5. $A_{CFG} = \{ "G" \omega : G \text{ is CFG that accepts } \omega \}$
6. $E_{CFG} = \{ "G" : G \text{ is CFG and } L(G) = \emptyset \}$

7. $ALL_{CFG} = \{ \langle G \rangle : G \text{ is CFG and } L(G) = \Sigma^* \}$
8. $EQ_{CFG} = \{ \langle A \rangle \langle B \rangle : A, B \text{ are CFGs and } L(A) = L(B) \}$
9. $A_{TM} = \{ \langle M \rangle \langle \omega \rangle : M \text{ is TM that accepts } \omega \}$

Note the definition of reduction.

$A \leq B$ implies that there is a reduction $f : \Sigma^* \rightarrow \Sigma^*$ from A to B such that for any $x \in \Sigma^*$, $x \in A \leftrightarrow f(x) \in B$

some theorem:

If A is a recursively enumerable language and $A \not\leq A$, then A is recursive.

Problem 4: Encoding and Halting Problem

Prove that exists undecidable subset of $\{1\}^*$.

Solution. We can establish a map from $\{0, 1\}^*$ to $\{1\}^*$. $\forall x \in \{0, 1\}^*$, $f(x) = \text{bin}(x)$ of 1's $\in \{1\}^*$. $A_{TM} = \{ \langle M \rangle \langle \omega \rangle : M \text{ is TM that accepts } \omega \}$ can also be encoded by $\{0, 1\}^*$, however it's undecidable.

So there exists undecidable subset of $\{1\}^*$

Problem 5: Reduction and Regular

If $A \leq B$ and B is a regular language, does it imply that A is a regular language?

Solution No. Consider two languages, $A = \{a^n b^n : n \geq 0\}$ and $B = \{a\}$ with $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$.

Then A is not regular but recursive while B is regular. Assume TM M_A decides A

Construct mapping from A to B , $\forall \omega \in \Sigma^*$

$$f(\omega) = \begin{cases} a & \omega \in A \\ b & \omega \notin A \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

To show f is recursive, construct TM M as follows:

- with input ω , simulate M_A
- if M_A accepts it, output a
- else M_A rejects it, output b

A is not necessarily regular even if $A \leq B$ and B is regular.

note on proof of reduction:

- one way, construct a TM which satisfies the sufficient and necessary transition.
- another way, find a mapping function and prove it recursive

Problem 6: Negative and Recursive

Prove: If a language L is recursively enumerable but not recursive, then $\neg L$ is not recursively enumerable.

Solution. We have the theorem L is recursive iff L and $\neg L$ is r.e.

So if L is not recursive, either L or $\neg L$ is not r.e.

Problem 7: Reduction from General-like H to Certain Problem

Prove that the following language is not recursive.

$L = \{ \langle M_1 \rangle \langle M_2 \rangle \langle k \rangle : M_1 \text{ and } M_2 \text{ are two TM with } |L(M_1) \cap L(M_2)| \geq k \}$

Solution.

Consider the non-recursive problem $A = \{ \langle M \rangle : M \text{ halts on some strings} \}$, we reduce A to L .

Construct a TM M_{all} that accepts all input. So $M \in A \leftrightarrow \langle M \rangle \langle M_{all} \rangle \langle 1 \rangle \in L$.

Problem 8: Reduction from H to Certain Problem

Prove that the following language is not recursive, but is recursively enumerable.

$L_1 = \{ \langle M \rangle : M \text{ is a TM that halts on at least 2023 strings} \}$

Solution. L_1 is not recursive. Construct a reduction from H to L_1 .

$f(\langle M \rangle \langle \omega \rangle) = \langle M \rangle \langle M \rangle \langle \omega \rangle$

$M \langle M \rangle \langle \omega \rangle$ run M on ω with any input u .

So there is $\forall \langle M \rangle \langle \omega \rangle, \langle M \rangle \langle \omega \rangle \in H \leftrightarrow \langle M \rangle \langle M \rangle \langle \omega \rangle \in L_1$. For H is not recursive, L_1 is not recursive.

L_1 is recursively enumerable.

We can easily construct a TM semi-deciding L_1 just like the construction we use to prove "a language is r.e. iff it is turing enumerable".

Problem 9: Reduction from H to Certain Problem

Prove that the following language is not recursively enumerable.

$L_2 = \{ \langle M \rangle : M \text{ is a TM that halts on at most 2022 strings} \}$

Solution 1. Use the same construction as Problem 8 and reduce the $\neg H$ to L_2 .

Solution 2. Use the proved conclusion in Problem 8, so $\neg L_2$ is r.e. but not recursive. Thus, L_2 is not r.e.

Problem 10: Reduction from $\neg H$ to Certain Problem

Prove that the following language is not recursively enumerable.

$L_3 = \{ \langle M \rangle : M \text{ is a TM such that there are at least 2023 strings on which } M \text{ does not halt} \}$

Solution.

Consider the non r.e. problem $\neg H = \{ \langle M \rangle \omega : M \text{ does not halt on } \omega \}$, we reduce $\neg H$ to L_3 .

Construct recursive function $M_{\langle M \rangle \omega}$. With any input u . it runs M on ω .

$\langle M \rangle \omega \in \neg H \leftrightarrow M_{\langle M \rangle \omega} \in L_3$.

Since $\neg H$ is not r.e., L_3 is not r.e.

Problem 11: Reduction from $\neg H$ to Certain Problem

Prove that the following language is not recursively enumerable.

$L_4 = \{ \langle M \rangle : M \text{ is a TM such that there are at most 2022 strings on which } M \text{ does not halt} \}$

Solution.

Still consider the non r.e. problem $\neg H = \{ \langle M \rangle \omega : M \text{ does not halt on } \omega \}$. We reduce the $\neg H$ to L_4 .

Construct TM $M_{\langle M \rangle \omega}$ with any input u .

$M_{\langle M \rangle \omega}$ = on input u :
run M on ω
if M halts on ω in u steps, loop forever
else M does not halt on ω in u steps, halt

So if M halts on ω in n steps, $\exists u < n$, st $M_{\langle M \rangle \omega}$ loops forever. Then $M_{\langle M \rangle \omega}$ accepts no strings.

Else if M does not halt on ω , $M_{\langle M \rangle \omega}$ accepts all strings.

$\langle M \rangle \omega \in \neg H \leftrightarrow M_{\langle M \rangle \omega} \in L_4$.

Since $\neg H$ is not r.e., L_4 is not r.e.

Problem 12: Primitive Recursive

Let $f : N \rightarrow N$ be a primitive recursive function. Define $F : N \rightarrow N$ to be

$F(n) = f(f(\dots f(n)\dots))$

where there are n compositions. For example, $F(0) = f(0)$ and $F(1) = f(f(1))$. Show that F is primitive recursive.

Solution.

$g(m, n) = f(f(\dots f(n)\dots))$ where there is m compositions of f .

$$\begin{cases} g(0, n) = f(n) \\ g(m+1, n) = f(g(m, n)) \end{cases}$$

For f is primitive recursive, then g is primitive recursive.

$F(n) = g(n, n) = g(id_{1,1}(n), id_{1,1}(n))$

For g is primitive recursive, then F is primitive recursive.

Important basic functions and primitive recursive functions: $N^k \rightarrow N$

1. k -zero function: $zero_k(n_1, \dots, n_k) = 0$
2. j th- k identification function: $id_{k,j}(n_1, \dots, n_k) = n_j$
3. successor function: $succ(n) = n + 1$
4. plus function: $plus(m, n) = m + n$
5. mult function: $mult(m, n) = m \times n$
6. predecessor function: $pred(n + 1) = n$ $pred(0) = 0$
7. subtraction function: $m \sim n = \max\{m - n, 0\}$
 $m \sim 0 = m$
 $m \sim (n + 1) = pred(m \sim n)$
8. iszero function: $iszero(0) = 1$ $iszero(m + 1) = 0$
9. greater than or equal function: $geq(m, n) = iszero(n \sim m)$
10. less than function: $lt(m, n) = 1 \sim geq(m, n)$
11. primitive recursive predicate: and/or/not
 - (a) $\neg p(m) = 1 \sim iszero(p(m))$
 - (b) $p(m, n) \wedge q(m, n) = 1 \sim zero(p(m, n) + q(m, n))$
 - (c) $p(m, n) \vee q(m, n) = 1 \sim iszero(p(m, n) \dot{+} q(m, n))$
12. condition function:

$$f(n_1, \dots, n_k) = \begin{cases} g(n_1, \dots, n_k) & p(n_1, \dots, n_k) \\ h(n_1, \dots, n_k) & otherwise \end{cases}$$

13. remainder function: $rem(m, n)$

$$rem(0, n) = 0 \quad rem(m + 1, n) = \begin{cases} 0 & equal(rem(m, n), pred(n)) \\ rem(m, n) + 1 & otherwise \end{cases}$$

14. division function: $div(m, n)$

$$div(0, n) = 0$$

$$div(m + 1, n) = \begin{cases} div(m, n) + 1 & equal(rem(m, n), pred(n)) \\ div(m, n) & otherwise \end{cases}$$

Problem 13: Alphabet and Language

Judge: There is no non-empty language over ϕ .

Solution. May be false. $\{e\}$ is a language over ϕ that is non-empty.

Problem 14: Undecidability and Reduction

Judge the following languages are recursive, recursively enumerated, not recursively enumerated.

$L_1 = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM that accepts every palindrome over its alphabet} \}$

$L_2 = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM that accepts/halts on at most } k \text{ strings} \}$

$L_3 = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM that accepts/halts on at least } k \text{ strings} \}$

$L_4 = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM that accepts/halts on exactly } k \text{ strings} \}$

$L_5 = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is TM that accepts all even numbers} \}$

$L_6 = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is TM that does not accept all even numbers} \}$

$L_7 = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is TM that rejects all even numbers} \}$

$L_8 = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is TM that contains at least one string of even number of } b\text{'s} \}$

$L_9 = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM and } L(M) \text{ is infinite} \}$

$L_{10} = \{ \langle M_1 \rangle \langle M_2 \rangle \mid M_1 \text{ and } M_2 \text{ are two TMs, and } \epsilon \in L(M_1) \cup L(M_2) \}$

$L_{11} = \{ \langle M_1 \rangle \langle M_2 \rangle \mid M_1 \text{ and } M_2 \text{ are two TMs, and } \epsilon \in L(M_1) \cap L(M_2) \}$

$L_{12} = \{ \langle M_1 \rangle \langle M_2 \rangle \mid M_1 \text{ and } M_2 \text{ are two TMs, and } \epsilon \in L(M_1) - L(M_2) \}$

$L_{13} = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid \exists x, |x| \equiv 1 \pmod{k}, \text{ and } x \in L(M) \}$

$L_{14} = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM such that both } L(M) \text{ and } \neg L(M) \text{ are infinite} \}$

$L_{15} = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM, and } |L(M)| \text{ is prime} \}$

$L_{16} = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid \exists x \in \Sigma^*, \forall y \in L(M), xy \notin L(M) \}$

$L_{17} = \{ \langle M_1 \rangle \langle M_2 \rangle \mid L(M_1) \leq_m L(M_2) \}$

$L_{18} = \{ \langle M \rangle \langle \omega \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM that accepts } \omega \text{ using at most } 2^{|\omega|} \text{ squares of its tape} \}$

$L_{19} = \{ \langle M_1 \rangle \langle M_2 \rangle \langle M_3 \rangle \mid L(M_1) = L(M_2) \cup L(M_3) \}$

$L_{20} = \{ \langle M_1 \rangle \langle M_2 \rangle \langle M_3 \rangle \mid L(M_1) \subset L(M_2) \cup L(M_3) \}$

$L_{21} = \{ \langle M_1 \rangle \mid \exists \text{ TM's } M_2, M_3, \text{ st } L(M_1) \subset L(M_2) \cup L(M_3) \}$

Solution 1. Not Recursively Enumerated. By Rice Theorem, it's easy to judge it's not recursive. To prove L_1 not recursively enumerated, we reduce the $\neg H$ to L_1 .

Notice the following construction is wrong ! Because the thing we need to prove is

$\langle M \rangle \langle \omega \rangle \in \neg H \leftrightarrow \tau(M) \in L_1$.

Construct TM M' , with any input u . M' runs M on ω .

$$\langle M \rangle \langle \omega \rangle \in \neg H \rightarrow L(M') = \phi \rightarrow \langle M' \rangle \notin L_1$$

$$\langle M \rangle \langle \omega \rangle \notin \neg H \rightarrow L(M') = \Sigma^* \rightarrow \langle M' \rangle \in L_1$$

Thus, $\neg H \leq L_1$. L_1 is not recursively enumerated.

Notice, if we want inverse the conclusion. We can't say if M does not halt on ω , accept.

Because, M' simulate the execution of M , if M does not halt, M' will never halt.

When we require to reduce from $\neg H$, take care of the fact that chosen M may not halt on ω , so we should limit the running steps to construct the reduction.

Construct TM M' with input ω . If ω is a palindrome, run M on ω for $|\omega|$ steps. If M has not accepted, accept, else, reject.

$$''M''''\omega'' \in \neg H \rightarrow L(M') = \Sigma^* \rightarrow ''M'''' \in L_1$$

$$''M''''\omega'' \notin \neg H \rightarrow L(M') \subset L_{\text{palindrome}} \rightarrow ''M'''' \notin L_1$$

Solution 2. Not Recursively Enumerated.

Prove it by reducing from the $\neg H$. Construct a TM M' , with any input u , runs M with ω .

$$''M''''\omega'' \in \neg H \rightarrow L(M') = \phi \rightarrow ''M'''' \in L_2$$

$$''M''''\omega'' \notin \neg H \rightarrow L(M') = \Sigma^* \rightarrow ''M'''' \notin L_2$$

Thus, $''M''''\omega'' \in \neg H \leftrightarrow ''M'''' \in L_2$

Solution 3. Recursively enumerated but not recursive.

For the proof of recursively enumerated, we can design a TM M^* , which enumerates all strings on the alphabet and gradually run M with these strings one by one. As long as M accepts more than k strings, halts.

For the proof of not recursive, we reduce from H . Construct a TM M' with any input u , run M with ω .

$$''M''''\omega'' \in H \rightarrow L(M') = \Sigma^* \rightarrow ''M'''' \in L_3$$

$$''M''''\omega'' \notin H \rightarrow L(M') = \phi \rightarrow ''M'''' \notin L_3$$

Thus, $''M''''\omega'' \in H \leftrightarrow ''M'''' \in L_3$. L_3 is not recursive.

Solution 4. Not recursively enumerable.

To prove not r.e., reduce the $\neg H$ to L_4 . Construct a TM M' , with any input u , if $u \neq \omega_1, \dots, \omega_k$, accept, else run M with ω . ($\omega_1, \dots, \omega_k$ are k different strings on the alphabet)

$$''M''''\omega'' \in \neg H \rightarrow L(M') = \omega_1, \dots, \omega_k \rightarrow |L(M')| = k \rightarrow ''M'''' \in L_4$$

$$''M''''\omega'' \notin \neg H \rightarrow L(M') = \Sigma^* \rightarrow ''M'''' \notin L_4$$

Thus, there is $''M''''\omega'' \notin \neg H \leftrightarrow ''M'''' \in L_4$. So L_4 is not recursively enumerable.

Solution 5. Not recursively enumerable.

The same, we reduce from $\neg H$.

Construct a TM M' , with any input u , if u is even, run M on ω in $|u|$ steps. If M does not accept ω , accept, else, loop forever.

$$''M''''\omega'' \in \neg H \rightarrow L(M') = L_{\text{even}} \rightarrow ''M'''' \in L_5$$

$${}''M'''\omega'' \notin H \rightarrow \exists |u| > |\omega| \rightarrow \exists x, x \text{ is even}, x \notin L(M') \rightarrow {}''M''' \notin L_5$$

Thus, there is ${}''M'''\omega'' \notin H \leftrightarrow {}''M''' \in L_5$. L_5 is not recursively enumerable.

Solution 6. Not recursively enumerated.

The same, we reduce from $\neq H$.

Construct a TM M' , with any input u , if $u = \omega_0$, run M on ω in k steps, if M does not accept, reject, else, accept. (ω_0 is one of the even number, $k > |\omega|$)

$${}''M'''\omega'' \notin H \rightarrow \exists \omega_0 \in L_{\text{even}}, \omega_0 \notin L(M') \rightarrow {}''M''' \notin L_6$$

$${}''M'''\omega'' \notin H \rightarrow L(M') = \Sigma^* \rightarrow {}''M''' \notin L_6$$

Thus, ${}''M'''\omega'' \notin H \leftrightarrow {}''M''' \in L_6$. L_6 is not recursively enumerated.

Solution 7. Not recursively enumerated.

The same, we reduce from $\neq H$.

Construct a TM M' , with any input u , if u is even, run M on ω with $k(k > |\omega|)$ steps, if does not accept, reject, else accept, else reject.

$${}''M'''\omega'' \notin H \rightarrow L(M') = \phi \rightarrow {}''M''' \in L_7$$

$${}''M'''\omega'' \notin H \rightarrow L(M') = L_{\text{even}} \rightarrow {}''M''' \notin L_7$$

Thus, ${}''M'''\omega'' \notin H \leftrightarrow {}''M''' \in L_7$. L_7 is not recursively enumerated.

Solution 8. Recursively enumerated but not recursive.

For its recursively enumerated, a UTM can be constructed to enumerated all strings with even number of bs and semi-decided the language.

For its not recursive, we reduce to it from H . Construct a TM M' , with any input u , if u contains even number of bs, run M on ω , else accept.

$${}''M'''\omega'' \in H \rightarrow L(M') = \Sigma^* \rightarrow {}''M''' \in L_8$$

$${}''M'''\omega'' \notin H \rightarrow L(M') = \phi \rightarrow {}''M''' \notin L_8$$

Thus,

$${}''M'''\omega'' \in H \leftrightarrow {}''M''' \in L_8$$

. L_8 is not recursive.

Solution 9. Not recursively enumerated.

The same, reduce from $\neq H$. Construct a TM M' with any input u , run M on ω .

$${}''M'''\omega'' \notin H \rightarrow L(M') = \phi \rightarrow {}''M''' \in L_9$$

$${}''M'''\omega'' \notin H \rightarrow L(M') = \Sigma^* \rightarrow {}''M''' \notin L_9$$

Thus, there is ${}''M'''\omega'' \notin H \leftrightarrow {}''M''' \in L_9$. L_9 is not recursively enumerated.

Solution 10. Recursively enumerated but not recursive.

For L_{10} is recursively enumerated, a UTM can be designed to semi-decide this.

For L_{10} is not recursive, we reduce the H to it. Construct a TM M' with any input u , if $u = \epsilon$, run M with ω , else accept.

$$"M""\omega" \in H \rightarrow \epsilon \in L(M') \rightarrow "M'""M'" \in L_{11}$$

$$"M""\omega" \notin H \rightarrow \epsilon \notin L(M') \rightarrow "M'""M'" \notin L_{11}$$

Thus, $"M""\omega" \in H \leftrightarrow "M'""M'" \in L_{10}$. L_{10} is not recursive.

Solution 11. Recursively enumerated but not recursive.

The proof is the same as L_10 .

Solution 12. Not recursively enumerated.

As the method to prove not r.e. before, we reduce from $\neq H$ to L_{12} . Assume M_{all} is the TM to accept all strings ($L(M_{all}) = \Sigma^*$), construct a TM M' with input u . If $u = \epsilon$, run M with ω , else accept.

$$"M""\omega" \in \neq H \rightarrow \epsilon \notin L(M') \rightarrow \epsilon \in L(M_{all}) - L(M') \rightarrow "M_{all}""M'" \in L_{12}$$

$$"M""\omega" \notin \neq H \rightarrow \epsilon \in L(M') \rightarrow \epsilon \notin L(M_{all}) - L(M') \rightarrow "M_{all}""M'" \notin L_{12}$$

Thus, there is $"M""\omega" \in \neq H \leftrightarrow "M_{all}""M'" \in L_{12}$. L_{12} is not recursively enumerable.

Solution 13. Recursively enumerated but not recursive.

For L_{13} is recursively enumerated, it can be semi-decided by some TM.

For L_{13} is not recursive. Use Rice's theorem.

$$C = \{L \in r.e. | \exists x, |x| \equiv 1 \pmod{5} \text{ and } x \in L\}$$

Notice that $C \subset r.e.$, $C \neq \phi$ and $C \neq r.e.$

Hence, $L_C = \{"M" | L(M) \in C\} = \{"M" | \exists x, |x| \equiv 1 \pmod{5}, x \in L(M)\} \notin R$

Solution 14. Not recursively enumerated.

Reduce to L_{14} from $\neg H$. Construct a TM M' , with any input u , if $|u|$ is even, run M on ω , else accept.

$$"M""\omega" \in \neg H \rightarrow L(M') = \text{strings of even length}, \neg L(M') = \text{strings of odd length} \rightarrow "M'" \in L_{14}$$

$$"M""\omega" \notin \neg H \rightarrow L(M') = \Sigma^*, \neg L(M') = \phi \rightarrow "M'" \notin L_{14}$$

Thus, there is $"M""\omega" \in \neg H \leftrightarrow "M'" \in L_{14}$. L_{14} is not recursively enumerated.

Solution 15. Not recursively enumerated.

Reduce to L_{15} from $\neg H$. Construct a TM M' , with any input u , if u is the 1st and 2nd strings of all the strings over the alphabet in lexicographic order, run M with ω , else if u is the 3rd and 4th strings of it, accept, else, reject.

$$"M""\omega" \in \neg H \rightarrow |L(M')| = 2 \rightarrow "M'" \in L_{15}$$

$$"M""\omega" \notin \neg H \rightarrow |L(M')| = 4 \rightarrow "M'" \notin L_{15}$$

Thus, there is $"M""\omega" \in \neg H \leftrightarrow "M'" \in L_{15}$. L_{15} is not recursively enumerated.

Solution 16. Not recursively enumerated.

Reduce to L_{16} from $\neg H$. Construct a TM M' with any input u , run M on ω .

$$"M""\omega" \in \neg H \rightarrow L(M') = \phi \rightarrow "M'" \in L_{16}$$

$$"M""\omega" \notin \neg H \rightarrow L(M') = \Sigma^* \rightarrow "M'" \notin L_{16}$$

Thus, there is $"M""\omega" \in \neg H \leftrightarrow "M'" \in L_{16}$. L_{16} is not recursively enumerated.

Solution 17. Not recursively enumerated.

Reduce to L_{17} from $\neg H$. Assume M_0 is the TM that $L(M_0) = \phi$, construct a TM M_1 with any input u , run M on ω . If M halts on ω , run M' on u .

$$"M""\omega" \in \neg H \rightarrow L(M_1) = \phi \rightarrow "M_1""M_0" \in L_{17}(\phi \leq_m \phi)$$

$$"M""\omega" \notin \neg H \rightarrow L(M_1) = H \rightarrow "M_1""M_0" \notin L_{17}$$

Thus, there is $"M""\omega" \in \neg H \leftrightarrow "M_1""M_0" \in L_{17}$. L_{17} is not recursively enumerated.

Solution 18. Recursive.

Construct TM to decide this, for the maximum execution configurations is limited.

Solution 19. Not recursively enumerated.

Reduce to L_{19} from $EQ_{TM} = \{"M_1""M_2" | L(M_1) = L(M_2)\}$. Take M_3 as $L(M_3) = \phi$. Since EQ_{TM} is not recursively enumerated, L_{19} is also not recursively enumerated.

Solution 20. Not recursively enumerated.

Reduce to L_{20} from $\neg H$. Let M_2 and M_3 be TMs with $L(M_2) = L(M_3) = \phi$. Construct TM M_1 , with any input u , run M with ω .

$$"M""\omega" \in \neg H \rightarrow L(M_1) = \phi \rightarrow L(M_1) \subset L(M_2) \cup L(M_3) \rightarrow "M_1""M_2""M_3" \in L_{20}$$

$$"M""\omega" \notin \neg H \rightarrow L(M_1) = \Sigma^* \rightarrow L(M_1) \not\subset L(M_2) \cup L(M_3) \rightarrow "M_1""M_2""M_3" \notin L_{20}$$

Thus, there is $"M""\omega" \in \neg H \leftrightarrow "M_1""M_2""M_3" \in L_{20}$. L_{20} is not recursively enumerated.

Solution 21. Recursive.

All TMs satisfy this property.

Conclusion: Some Universal Problems of Undecidability

For DFA:

1. $A_{DFA} = \{"D""\omega" | D \text{ is a DFA and } D \text{ accepts } \omega\}$

Recursive

2. $\neg A_{DFA} = \{ \langle D, \omega \rangle \mid D \text{ is a DFA and } D \text{ does not accept } \omega \}$
Recursive
3. $E_{DFA} = \{ \langle D \rangle \mid D \text{ is a DFA and } L(D) = \emptyset \}$
Recursive
4. $\neg E_{DFA} = \{ \langle D \rangle \mid D \text{ is a DFA and } L(D) \neq \emptyset \}$
Recursive
5. $EQ_{DFA} = \{ \langle D_1, D_2 \rangle \mid D_1, D_2 \text{ are DFAs and } L(D_1) = L(D_2) \}$
Recursive
6. $\neg EQ_{DFA} = \{ \langle D_1, D_2 \rangle \mid D_1, D_2 \text{ are DFAs and } L(D_1) \neq L(D_2) \}$
Recursive
7. $ALL_{DFA} = \{ \langle D \rangle \mid D \text{ is a DFA and } L(D) = \Sigma^* \}$
Recursive
8. $\neg ALL_{DFA} = \{ \langle D \rangle \mid D \text{ is a DFA and } L(D) \neq \Sigma^* \}$
Recursive

For NFA:

Since NFA can be converted to DFAs, all the problems are the same as DFAs.

For CFG:

1. $A_{CFG} = \{ \langle G, \omega \rangle \mid G \text{ is CFG and } G \text{ accepts } \omega \}$
Recursive
2. $\neg A_{CFG} = \{ \langle G, \omega \rangle \mid G \text{ is CFG and } G \text{ does not accept } \omega \}$
Recursive
3. $E_{CFG} = \{ \langle G \rangle \mid G \text{ is CFG and } L(G) = \emptyset \}$
Recursive
4. $\neg E_{CFG} = \{ \langle G \rangle \mid G \text{ is CFG and } L(G) \neq \emptyset \}$
Recursive
5. $EQ_{CFG} = \{ \langle G_1, G_2 \rangle \mid G_1, G_2 \text{ are CFGs and } L(G_1) = L(G_2) \}$
Not Recursively Enumerated
6. $\neg EQ_{CFG} = \{ \langle G_1, G_2 \rangle \mid G_1, G_2 \text{ are CFGs and } L(G_1) \neq L(G_2) \}$
Recursively Enumerated but Not Recursive
7. $ALL_{CFG} = \{ \langle G \rangle \mid G \text{ is CFG and } L(G) = \Sigma^* \}$
Not Recursively Enumerated
8. $\neg ALL_{CFG} = \{ \langle G \rangle \mid G \text{ is CFG and } L(G) \neq \Sigma^* \}$
Recursively Enumerated but Not Recursive

For TM:

1. $A_{TM} = \{ \langle M \rangle \omega \mid M \text{ is a TM and } M \text{ accepts } \omega \}$
Recursively Enumerated but Not Recursive
2. $\neg A_{TM} = \{ \langle M \rangle \omega \mid M \text{ is a TM and } M \text{ does not accept } \omega \}$
Not Recursively Enumerated
3. $E_{TM} = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM and } L(M) = \phi \}$
Not Recursively Enumerated
4. $\neg E_{TM} = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM and } L(M) \neq \phi \}$
Recursively Enumerated but not Recursive
5. $EQ_{TM} = \{ \langle M_1 \rangle \langle M_2 \rangle \mid M_1, M_2 \text{ are TMs and } L(M_1) = L(M_2) \}$
Not Recursively Enumerated
6. $\neg EQ_{TM} = \{ \langle M_1 \rangle \langle M_2 \rangle \mid M_1, M_2 \text{ are TMs and } L(M_1) \neq L(M_2) \}$
Not Recursively Enumerated
7. $ALL_{TM} = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM and } L(M) = \Sigma^* \}$
Not Recursively Enumerated
8. $\neg ALL_{TM} = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM and } L(M) \neq \Sigma^* \}$
Not Recursively Enumerated

Problem 15: CFL, CFG and Pumping Theorem

Judge whether the following languages are CFLs.

	Recursive	R.E.	Not R.E.	Not Co-R.E.
A_DFA	x			
\sim A_DFA	x			
E_DFA	x			
\sim E_DFA	x			
EQ_DFA	x			
\sim EQ_DFA	x			
ALL_DFA	x			
\sim ALL_DFA	x			
A_CFG	x			
\sim A_CFG	x			
E_CFG	x			
\sim E_CFG	x			
EQ_CFG			x	
\sim EQ_CFG		x		
ALL_CFG			x	
\sim ALL_CFG		x		
A_TM		x		
\sim A_TM			x	
E_TM			x	
\sim E_TM		x		
EQ_TM				x
\sim EQ_TM				x
ALL_TM				x
\sim ALL_TM				x