

# Homework 8

1. Claim:  $EQ_{DR}$  is decidable

Proof:

Let  $EQ_{DR} = \{ \langle D, R \rangle \mid D \text{ is a DFA, } R \text{ is a regex, and } L(D) = L(R) \}$

Define a TM  $M_{EQ_{DR}}$  that decides  $EQ_{DR}$  as follows:

$M_{EQ_{DR}} =$  On input  $\langle D, R \rangle$

1. Convert  $R$  into an equivalent DFA  $D_R$
2. Construct DFA  $D_D$  that recognizes  $L(D) \oplus L(D_R)$ . To construct this modify  $D$  and  $D_R$  to recognize the corresponding complement, intersection and union languages
3. Mark the start state in  $D_D$  and mark every state reachable from start state
4. If final state in  $D_D$  is marked: reject  
Else: accept

2. Claim:  $SS_{REX} = \{ \langle R, S \rangle \mid R, S \text{ are regular expressions and } L(R) \subseteq L(S) \}$  is decidable

Proof:

Define a TM  $M_{SS_{REX}}$  that decides  $SS_{REX}$

$M_{SS_{REX}} =$  On input  $\langle R, S \rangle$

1. Convert both  $R$  and  $S$  into equivalent DFAs  $D_R$  and  $D_S$
2. Construct a new DFA  $D$  that recognizes  $L(D_R) \cap \overline{L(D_S)}$  using DFA complement and intersection construction
3. Mark the start state of  $D$  and mark every state reachable from start state
4. If any final state is marked: reject  
Else: accept.

3. Claim:  $A_{CFG} = \{ \langle G \rangle \mid G \text{ is a CFG and } \epsilon \in L(G) \}$  is decidable.

Proof:

Define a TM  $M_{A_{CFG}}$  that decides  $A_{CFG}$  as follows:

$M_{A_{CFG}} =$  on Input  $\langle G \rangle$

1. Convert  $G$  to Chomsky Normal Form with start variable  $S$
2. If  $S$  has the rule  $S \rightarrow \epsilon$ : accept  
Else: reject

4. Claim:  $IMB_{DFA} = \{ \langle D \rangle \mid D \text{ is a DFA whose language includes a string with more 1's than 0's} \}$  is decidable

Proof:

Define a TM  $M_{IMB_{DFA}}$  that decides  $IMB_{DFA}$  as follows:

$M_{IMB_{DFA}} =$  on Input  $\langle D \rangle$

1. Create a CFG  $G_{imb}$  that generates all strings with more 1's than 0's.  $S \rightarrow SS \mid 1S0 \mid 0S1 \mid 1S \mid \epsilon$
2. Then create a "corresponding" PDA  $P_{imb}$  such that  $L(P_{imb}) = L(G_{imb})$ .
3. Next construct another PDA  $P$  where  $L(P) = L(D) \cap L(P_{imb})$
4. Convert  $P$  to a CFG  $G$
5. Mark all terminals RHS of any rule of  $G$ .  
and mark each occurrence of a variable on RHS  
for any variable that has all-marked RHS
6. If the start variable in  $G$  is marked: accept  
Else: reject

5. Claim:  $EQ_{CFG}$  is co-Turing-recognizable

Proof:

Define a  $TM_{EQ_{CFG}}$  that shows  $EQ_{CFG}$  is co-Turing-recognizable

$TM_{EQ_{CFG}} =$  On Input  $\langle G_1, G_2 \rangle$ , where  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are CFGs

0. If  $G_1$  or  $G_2$  are not properly formatted: accept

1. Convert  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  in Chomsky Normal Form  $G_1'$  and  $G_2'$  respectively

2. For every  $w$  of increasing size

Run CYK for  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  on  $w$

If  $w$  is shown to be generated by exactly one grammar: accept

6. Claim:  $REV_{TM} = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM with } w \in L(M) \Rightarrow w^R \in L(M) \}$  is undecidable

Proof:

Define TM  $D$  as follows

$D =$  On Input  $\langle M, w \rangle$

1. Create another TM  $M'$  that simulates  $M$  on  $w$  and accepts 01 if  $M$  accepts  $w$ . Then on input 10, accepts and any other input rejects

2. Run a TM that decides  $REV_{TM}$  on  $\langle M' \rangle$

3. If 4 accepts  $M'$ : accept

Else: reject

Since  $D$  decides  $ATM$  as shown, there is a contradiction.  $ATM$  is undecidable, then  $REV_{TM}$  is undecidable

Citations: Used Class Notes, Textbook and Online Examples.