

Thm: MP is not recursive

Qn: Can you solve MP with subroutine call to HP

Given $\langle M \rangle, x$, check if $x \in L(M)$

Have an algorithm A s.t. $A(\langle M \rangle, x) = \begin{cases} \text{halts \& accepts} & \text{if } M \text{ halts on } x \\ \text{halts \& rejects} & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$

Given $\langle M \rangle, x$

$M'(y)$: Simulate M on y

if M accepts y then accept & halt
if M rejects y , then go into an infinite loop

if $A(\langle M' \rangle, x) = \text{accept \& halt}$ then M accepts x
 $\Rightarrow x \in L(M)$

if $A(\langle M' \rangle, x) = \text{rejects \& halts}$, then $x \notin L(M)$

* $L = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid L(M) \text{ is regular} \} \rightarrow \textcircled{A}$ is the algorithm for L

Thm: L is not recursive

Idea: Reduction: show that if \exists algorithm for L

then \exists algorithm for HP

HP

Input: $\langle M \rangle, x$

Goal: check if M halts on x

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An input instance of L and then on the hypothesized algorithm for L

i/p for HP

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 $\langle M \rangle$ and x : given
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∃ a language $L' \rightarrow \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0\}$
that is not regular but

$M'(y)$:
Simulate M on x context-free
If M enters accept or reject on x
Accept y if $y \in L'$
reject otherwise

what happens if A gets $\langle M' \rangle$ as input

{ -if $(\langle M \rangle, x) \notin HP$, then $L(M') = \emptyset \rightarrow$ regular
-if $(\langle M \rangle, x) \in HP$, then $L(M') = L' \rightarrow$ non-regular

many-one reductions