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- M **halts** on w if the run on w is finite and ends in a halting configuration C .
- M **accepts** w if it halts in an accepting configuration.
- M **rejects** w if it halts in a rejecting configuration.
- M **recognizes** L if
 - $\forall w \in L, M$ accepts w .
 - $\forall w \notin L, M$ does not accept w .
- L is **recognizable** if there is a Turing machine that recognizes L .
- M **decides** L if
 - $\forall w \in L, M$ accepts w .
 - $\forall w \notin L, M$ rejects w .
- L is **decidable** if there is a Turing machine that decides L .
- Theorem: There exists a language L that is not recognizable/decidable.