

Descriptive complexity of strings:-

If x be binary string, then the minimal description and descriptive complexity of x 's are $d(x)$ and $K(x)$ respectively. Turing machine M and small string w we get minimal description is $\langle M, w \rangle$. From several of such shorter strings we select lexicographically among them then we can get descriptive complexity of such strings $K(x) = |d(x)|$.

Now we have to show how to compute $K(x)$ with an oracle for A_{TM} .

- For the given string x , start testing all the strings ' S ' up to the length $|x| + c$

Where c = length of TM (Turing machine) that halts immediately upon starting.

- All the strings up to the length $|x| + c$ are potential description of x .
- If S is well formed as $\langle M, w \rangle$ from all binary strings in lexicographic order, then we simulate M with input w and see if it halts with x on the tape.
- Here we do not know whether M will halt on input w or not.
- An oracle for A_{TM} can determine this.

$$A_{TM} = \{ \langle M, w \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM and } M \text{ accepts } w \}$$

- An oracle for A_{TM} will take $\langle M, w \rangle$ as input and determine whether M accepts w or not.
- If M doesn't halt we move on to the next string S , and so on.
- After that we will find lexicographically first string S among them.
- In this way shortest string will be determined and it is represented as minimal description $d(x)$.
- From $d(x)$, we find $K(x)$ as

$$K(x) = |d(x)|$$

- By this procedure, we will compute $K(x)$ with an oracle for A_{TM} .