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1 Week 2

1.1 Pushdown Automata (PDA)

- $L = \{ a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0 \}$
- 7 tuple, $M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, s, F, \perp)$
 - Q : Finite set of states
 - Σ : Finite input alphabet
 - Γ : finite stack alphabet
 - δ : transitions
 - $\perp \in \Gamma$
 - $s \in Q$
 - $F \subseteq Q$
- $\delta \subseteq (Q \times (\Sigma \cup \{\epsilon\}) \times \Gamma) \times (Q \times \Gamma^*) \rightarrow \{(p, a, A), (g, B_1 B_2 \dots B_k)\}$
 - When in state p , reading in " a ", and A is on top of the stack, the machine may move to state g , pop A off the stack and push $B_k B_{k-1} \dots B_1$ (B_1 is now on the stop of the stack.)

1.1.1 Example

- Stage 1: Push A's
- Stage 2: Pop A's
- Stage 3: Are we accepting? (This mean B's and A's must be equal)

1.1.2 More examples

- a) $L = \{ a^n b^n c^n \mid n \geq 0 \}$ (Impossible)
- b) $L = \{ ww^R \mid w \in \Sigma^* \}$ (Possible)
- c) $L = \{ ww \mid w \in \Sigma^* \}$ (Impossible)
- d) $L = \{ a^n b^m c^m d^n \mid n, m \geq 0 \}$ (Possible)

1.2 Turing Machines (TM)

1.2.1 What can't PDAs do?

- Infinite memory, but it's not "perfect"
- What if we do have perfect/infinite memory
- Does this allow for more accepted languages
- How do we formally define it

1.2.2 Definition

- We'll say a TM is an 8-Tuple
- $M = \{ Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, s, q_{\text{accept}}, q_{\text{reject}}, \square \}$
 - $q_{\text{accept}} \in Q$
 - $q_{\text{reject}} \in Q$
 - $q_{\text{accept}} \neq q_{\text{reject}}$
 - $\square \in \Gamma$
 - $\Sigma \subseteq \Gamma - \{ \square \}$ $\delta: Q \times \Gamma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma \times \{L, R\}$
 - $\delta(g_1, a) = (g_2, b, R)$

- If I am in q_1 and it is an a, write a b and move right

Input is initially written on the tape

If at any point the TM enters state q_{accept} , it stops (halts) and accepts the input

If at any point the TM enters state q_{reject} , it stops (halts) and rejects the input

Can be used as language accepters, or as output machines

Does all input get accepted or rejected?

- No, it can loop

1.2.3 Example

- Construct a TM M such that $L(M) = \{a^n b^n c^n \mid n \geq 0\}$
- Start by scanning the input from L to R to ensure it's of the form $a^* b^* c^*$
- Scan from R to L, overwrite exactly one c, b, then a with a special character
- Scan from L to R, overwrite exactly one a, b, then c repeat 2)
- If at any time, you encounter a letter out of order, reject the input

2 Week 3

2.1 Delta function layout

(1, a, R) - Move to state 1, if its an A move right

	a	b	c	-	\square
S	(1, a, R)	Reject	Reject	/	Accept
1	(1, a, R)	(2, b, R)	Reject	/	Reject
2	Reject	(2, b, R)	(3, c, R)	/	Reject
3	Reject	Reject	(3, c, R)	/	(4, \square , L)
4	Reject	Reject	(5, -, L)	(4, -, L)	Accept
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					
11					

2.2 Output Turing Machine

2.2.1 Example

Let $\Sigma = \{a\}$. write a TM such that when M halts, the tape contains ww where w is the input. (Double the a's)

- a = aa
- aaa = aaaaaa

2.3 Language of a Turing Machine

- The collection or set of strings which M accepts $L(M)$
- A language L' is Turing-recognizable if \exists a Turing machine M, $L' = L(M)$
 - $w \in L' \Rightarrow$ if we run M on w, it accepts w
 - $w \notin L' \Rightarrow$ if we run M on w, it rejects or infinite loops
- A language L^- is Turing Decidable if \exists a TM, M such $L^- = L(M)$ and M halts on all input
 - $w \in L^- \Rightarrow$ running M on w accepts
 - $w \notin L^- \Rightarrow$ running M on w rejects

2.3.1 Question

- L is recognizable $\Leftrightarrow L$ is decidable
- L is decidable $\Rightarrow \forall$ turing machines M , such that $L' = L(M) \Rightarrow$ if M is run on $w \in L$, M will halt? **NO**
 1. Let M be a TM which decided L'
 2. Make a new TM, M' , which mimics M except when M rejects, M' will loop

2.4 Multi-tape Turing Machines

- Just like a classic TM, but it has k tapes
- $\delta: Q \times \Gamma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma \times \{L, R\}$ is replaced with $\delta^k: Q \times \Gamma^k \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma^k \times \{L, R\}^k$

2.4.1 Show a single tape TM can simulate a multi-tape TM

- Encode multiple tapes on a single tape

$$\Gamma = \{a, b, \square\} \rightarrow \Gamma' = \{a, b, a', b', \square\}$$

2.5 Single infinite tape TM

- Same as a classic TM but infinite only in one direction
- Just add some left padding
- This is like a 2 tape TM, the 2nd tape is the 1st one flipped

2.6 Enumerators

- 2 tapes and a control
 - Control has the output tape with the following conditions
 - * Write Only
 - * Tape alphabet = Σ
 - * Only works to the right
 - Control has the work tape with the following conditions
 - * read/write

- * Basically a TM
- * No accept or reject states
- * Enumerate state
- Whenever the control reaches the enumerate state, it prints out whatever is on the output tape and clears it
- $L(E_)$ is the set of strings which W will eventually print out

3 Week 4

- I slept...

4 Week 4 Tutorial

4.1 Diagonalization to prove \mathbb{R} does not map to \mathbb{N} (Not countable)

- $d_{11}d_{12}d_{13}\dots d_{1n} \quad d_{21}\dots\dots d_{2n} \quad \dots\dots\dots d_{n1}\dots\dots d_{nn}$
- Construct e such that $e_{ii} = (d_{ii} + 2) \% 10$

4.2 Proof that $\text{Eq}_{\text{BFA}} = \langle (\text{DFA1}, \text{DFA2}); \langle (\text{DFA1}) = \langle (\text{DFA2}) \rangle \rangle$

- $2 \cdot L(\text{DFA1}) = L(\text{DFA2}) \Rightarrow (L(\text{DFA1}) \cap L(\text{DFA2})) = \epsilon$ AND $(L(\text{DFA1}) \cup L(\text{DFA2})) = \epsilon$
- Checking if $L(\text{DFA}) = \epsilon$ is Decidable
 - Go through every state in the DFA
 - If you go to any state that is accepting with a string that is not empty, reject
 - * Otherwise accept.
- Full proof on pg 169 of tb
 - Introduction to theory of computation 2nd edition By M. Sipser

5 Week 5

5.1 Continuing..

- $A_{TM} = \{M\#w \mid M \text{ accepts } w\}$
 - The membership/acceptance problem
 - Thm: A_{TM} is a recognizable language
 - Proof: Construct a new TM U
 - * U = "on input $M\#_w$ where M is a TM and w is a string"
 1. Simulate M running on w
 2. If M accepts, U accepts
 3. If M rejects, U rejects
 - Universal Turing Machine (UTM)
 - Thm: M is undecidable
 - Proof: Assume that A_{TM} is decidable \Rightarrow there exist a TM D $D(M\#_w) = \{ \text{accept if M accepts W, reject if M does not accept W} \}$ P = "on input M, where M is a TM:"
 1. Run D on input $M\#_M$
 2. Output the opposite of D
 - * if D accepts, reject
 - * if D rejects, accept
 3. $P(M) = \{ \text{accept if M does not accept M, reject if M does accept M} \}$
 - * What if we run P on itself? $P(P) = \{ \text{accept if P rejects, reject if P accepts} \}$ This is a paradox \Rightarrow Contradiction $\therefore A_{TM}$ is undecidable
- Def $L_{bar} = \Sigma^* - L$
 - Thm: A_{TMBar} is unrecognizable
 - Proof: Will follow from
 - * Thm: A is decidable iff A and ABar are recognizable
 - * Proof:
 1. Show A is decidable \Rightarrow A and ABar are recognizable
 2. Show A is decidable \Rightarrow A is recognizable
 3. \Leftarrow A is recognizable $\Rightarrow \exists$ TM m such that $\forall w, M$ accept (and halt) w iff $w \in A$

- * Let M_1 and M_2 recognize A and A_{Bar} respectively $\Rightarrow A_W$
 M_1 halts if $w \in A$, M_2 halt is $w \notin A$
- * $M = \text{"Run } M_1 \text{ and } M_2 \text{ in parallel"}$
 1. If M_1 accepts, accept
 2. If M_2 accepts, reject
- * M is a decider for $A \Rightarrow A$ is decideable
- Thm (again): A_{TMBar} is unrecognizable
 - * if A_{TMBar} was recognizable $\Rightarrow A_{\text{TM}}$ is decidable, which it isn't

5.2 Halting Problem

5.2.1 Turings Method

- $\text{HP} = \{ M\#_w \mid M \text{ halts, on } w \}$
- Thm: The halting problem is undecidable
- Proof:
 1. Σ^* is countable
 2. The set of all TMs is countable
 3. Construct a TM P : $P(w) = \text{"on input } w, \text{ construct } M_w \text{ and we run } D \text{ on } M_w\#_w$
 - (a) If D rejects, accept
 - (b) if D accepts, loop
 4. Assume HP is decideable
 - $D(M\#_w) = \{ \text{accept if } M \text{ halts on } w, \text{ reject if } M \text{ loops on } w \}$
 - P is not in my table, \therefore contradiction.

5.2.2 Method 2

- Assume HP is decideable
 - Then \exists a decider for HP
- $D_1(M\#_w) = \{ \text{"accept if } M \text{ halts on } w, \text{ reject if } M \text{ loops on } w" \}$ D_2
 $= \text{"on input } M\#_w, M \text{ is a TM, } w \text{ is a string"}$

1. Run D_1 on input $M\#_w$
2. If D_1 rejects, reject
3. If D_1 accepts, simulate M on w 3.1) If M accepts, accept 3.2) If M rejects, reject

$D_2(M\#_w) = \{ \text{"if } M \text{ loops on } w \text{ reject, if } M \text{ rejects } w \text{ reject, if } M \text{ accepts } w \text{ accept"} \}$ D_2 decides A_{TM} $A_{TM} = \{ M\#_w \mid M \text{ accepts } w \}$
 Contradiction, \therefore HP is undecidable

6 Week 6

- Sick

7 Week 7

- Last Time
 - $A \leq_m B$
 - ES and REG are both undecidable
- Given a TM M
 1. Accepts any string
 2. Accepts the string OOOO
 3. Accepts every string
 4. Accepts a finite set
 5. Accepts a CFL
 6. Has 100 or more states
 7. Has more than 100 steps on input w
 8. 1 through 5 are undecidable
 - About the language of the TM ($L(M)$)
 9. 6 through 7 are decidable
 - About the TM (M)

7.1 Anything about the language is undecidable

- Let S denote the set of all languages
- Let a property P be a subset of S
- A TM M has the property P if $L(M) \in P$
- Property
 - A TM accepts no strings $\Rightarrow P_{\text{empty}} = \{ \}$
 - A property is non trivial if $\exists M_1$ and M_2 such that $L(M_1) \in P$ and $L(M_2) \notin P$
 - $P_{\text{trivial}} = \{ L \mid L \text{ is recognizable} \}$
- Rice's Thm:
 - Let P be a non-trivial property of languages of Turing Machines
 - * $L_P = \{ M \mid L(M) \in P \}$ is undecidable

7.2 Midterm

- Thursday March 1st, 6:00-8:00pm
- IB120
- 5 Questions
- Topics
 - PDAs
 - Low Level TMs
 - * Define a TM, states, transitions, alphabet, etc
 - Models of Equivalence
 - * Ignore enumerators
 - Decideability and Recognizeability
 - A_{TM} /Halting Problems proofs
 - * Don't memorize the proof in full
 - * Know the idea, fill in the blanks/find the error
 - Reductions
 - * Definitions

* Proofs

- Show that language L is decidable/recognizable using a reduction
- Define L is recognizable \exists a TM M such that $\forall w$ if $w \in L$ then M accepts w and if $w \notin L$ M loops or rejects w
- $HP = \{ M_{\#w} \mid M \text{ halts on } w \}$
 - $R(M_{\#w}) = \text{run } M \text{ on } w, \text{ if } M \text{ accepts} \rightarrow \text{accept. If } M \text{ rejects} \rightarrow \text{accept. If } M \text{ loops} \rightarrow \text{loop}$
 - $M_{\#w} \in HP$ iff M doesn't loop on w
- A is recognizable $\neg \rightarrow A'$ is unrecognizable
- A is undecidable and A is recognizable $\rightarrow A'$ is unrecognizable

7.2.1 Past test, question 7

- $L'' = \{ M : L(M) = L_L \}$
- $L_L = \{ 0^n 1^m \mid n < m \}$
 - $011 \in L_L$
 - $0 \notin L_L$
 - $\epsilon \notin L_L$
 - $10 \notin L_L$
- is L'' decidable, recognizable?
- is L''' decidable, recognizable?
- HP, A_{TM}, HP', A_{TM}'
- $HP' \leq_m L$
- Show L'' is undecidable
 - $HP \leq_m L''$
 - $f(M_{\#w}) \in L'' \iff M_{\#w} \in HP$
 - $f(M_{\#w}) = \text{on input } x, \text{ set } x \text{ aside}$
 - * Run M on W

- * run a L_L recognizer on x
 - if it accepts \rightarrow accept
 - if it rejects \rightarrow reject
- $L(f(M_{\#W})) = \{ L_L \text{ if } M \text{ halts on } w, \text{ if } M \text{ loops on } W \}$
- $f(M_{\#W}) \in L'' \iff L(f(M_{\#W})) = L_L \iff M \text{ halts on } W \iff M_{\#W} \in HP$
- $\therefore L''$ is undecidable
- if $A \leq_m B$ then $A' \leq_m B'$
 - $HP' \leq_m L''$
 - $\therefore L''$ is unrecognizable

8 Week 8

- What can (or can't) computers do (effectiveness)
- So something using (relatively) little resources
 - Time and space

8.1 Moving Forward

- Look at low level TM
- Compare Models
- Classify problems / Hierarchy - Reductions

8.2 The Lecture

- Def Let M be a total deterministic TM, the time complexity of M is a function $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$, $f(n)$ is the max number of steps M uses on any input of length n
 - M is a $f(n)$ TM
 - M runs in $f(n)$ time
 - Def $f, g: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^T$, $f(n) = O(g(n))$ if $\exists n_0, c \forall n > n_0: f(n) < cg(n)$

- Def $f, g: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ $f(n) = o(g(n))$ if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = 0$$

g grows faster than f eventually

- Facts

- $f(n) = O(f(n))$
- $f(n) \neq o(f(n))$
- $f(n) = O(g(n)) \nrightarrow f(n) = o(g(n))$
- $f(n) = o(g(n)) \rightarrow f(n) = O(g(n))$

- Consider the language $L = \{0^n 1^n \mid n \geq 0\}$ $M_1 =$ on input w

1. Scan from L to R
2. Cross off first 0 encountered 2,1) Then cross off the first 1 encountered
3. When is reached, go back to the beginning
4. Repeat 2 4,1) If anything is found out of place, reject 4,2) If no 0 or 1 before, accept

- M is a $f(n) = o(n \log(n))$, then $L(M)$, is regular

- Def: $t: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$, the time class $\text{TIME}(t(n))$ is the set of all languages that are decidable by a $O(t(n))$ TM.

* is $L \in \text{TIME}(N^3)$?

* is $L \in \text{TIME}(N)$?

* is $L \in \text{TIME}(n \log(n))$

- Thm Let $t(n)$ be a function where $t(n) \geq n$. Then every $t(n)$ time multitape TM has an equivalent $O(t^2(n))$ single tape TM

* How long can the single tape be at any moment in time?

Assume $t(n) \geq n$

- Each multitape can be at most $t(n)$ long
- The single table can be at $\leq k \cdot t(n) + k - 1$ (Account for the boundry characters) $= O(t(n))$

- In the worst case for a single "step" take

$$O(t(n)) + kshifts$$

$$O(t(n)) + k * O(t(n))$$

$$O(t(n))$$

- Number of steps to simulate = $t(n)$
- \therefore Total simulation time $t(n) * O(t(n)) = O(t^2(n))$
- Let N be a total NTM, its running time $f(n)$ is the running time of its longest branch
- Thm Let $t(n) \geq n$, then every $t(n)$ NTM has an equivalent $2^{O(t(n))}$ time deterministic TM
- Def P is the class of languages that are decidable in polynomial time on a deterministic single-tape TM.

$$P = \bigcup_{k=0}^{\infty} TIME(n^k)$$

9 Week 9

- All deterministic computational models are polynomial equivalent
 - If you can code a program which runs in polynomial time, a single tape TM exists, which does the same thing

9.1 Example

PATH = { $\langle G, s, t \rangle$ | There's a path from s to t in G }

- Theorem PATH $\in P$
 - Proof A poly time algorithm M operates as follows $M(G, s, t) =$
 - * "Mark" s
 - * While at least one more node has been marked since last iteration
 - For each edge (a, b) if a is marked and b is not, mark b
 - If t is marked \rightarrow accept, else reject

9.2 Example

HPATH = $\{ \langle G, s, t \rangle \mid \text{there's a Hamiltonian path from } s \text{ to } t \}$

- Def A Hamiltonian path goes through every other node exactly once
- Def A verifier for a language L is an algorithm V where:
 - $L = \{ w \mid V \text{ accepts } \langle w, c \rangle \text{ for some } c \}$
 - c is called the certificate
 - A poly time verified runs in polynomial time in the length of w
 - A language L is polynomial time verifiable if it has a polynomial time verifier (This TM always halts)
- Def One NP is the class of languages which have polynomial time verifiers
- Def Two A language is in NP iff it is decided by some polynomial time NTM

9.3 Question

If a language is in P, it is also in NP?

- Def One
 - $V(\langle w, c \rangle) = \text{run } D_{\text{poly}} \text{ on } w$
 - $D_{\text{Poly}} = \text{decider for } L$
- Def Two
 - $\{ \text{TM} \} \subseteq \{ \text{NTM} \}$

9.4 Question

If a language is in NP, it is also in P?

- Well this is the $P = NP$ problem. We know sometimes, not if it is always.

9.5 Complexity Reductions

- Def Language A is a polynomial time reduceable to language B, $A \leq_p B$, if \exists a polynomial time computable function f , where $\forall w, w \in A \iff f(w) \in B$
 - Typical use Given problem A, assume we have a black box which solves problem B. In polynomial time, make your instance of A look like an instance of problem B. Run your B black box on that instance, return an answer appropriately
- Example $LONG = \{ \langle G, s, t, d \rangle \mid \exists \text{ a path from } s \text{ to } t \text{ in } G, \text{ with at least distance of } d \}$
 - No cycles allowed, can't visit a node more than once
 - Prove that $HPATH \leq_p LONG$
 1. Assume I have a black box which solved LONG
 2. To solve $HPATH(G, s, t)$
 - (a) Set all edge weights to 1
 - (b) Call $LongSol(G, s, t, |V| - 1)$
 - * If yes \rightarrow yes, if no \rightarrow no
 - Thm If $A \leq_p B$, and $A \in P$, then $B \in P$
 - Caollary If $A \leq_p B$ and $A \notin P$, then $B \notin P$

10 Week 10

10.1 From last time

- $A \leq_p B$
 - If we can solve B, then we can solve A
 - Then B is at least as hard to solve as A is

10.2 Toolbox of problems

- Vertex Cover Given a graph $G=(V, E)$, a Vertex Cover, C, is a set of vertices such that $\forall (v_1, v_2) \in E, v_1 \in C, v_2 \in C$
 $VertexCover = \{ (G, K) \mid G \text{ has a vertex cover of size } k \text{ or less} \}$

- Independent-Set Given a graph $G=(V, E)$, an independent set is a set of vertices I , such that $\forall (v_1, v_2) \in E, \neg(v_1 \in I \text{ and } v_2 \in I)$
Independent-Set = $\{(G, K) \mid G \text{ has an independent set of size } K \}$
 - Prove: Independent Set \leq_P Vertex Cover Let C be a vertex cover of $G=(V, E)$. Consider any two nodes v_1 and v_2 in $V-C$.
What if $v_1, v_2 \in V-C$ and $(v_1, v_2) \in E \Rightarrow C$ is not a VC
 - * $\therefore v_1, v_2 \in V-C$ we know $(v_1, v_2) \notin E$
 - * $\therefore V-C$ is an independent set in G
 - * \therefore If there is a vertex cover of size $|V| - k$ in G , then there's an independent set of size k in G
 - IS(G, K) = call VertexCoverSol($G, |V|-k$)
 - * If accept \rightarrow accept (yes)
 - * If reject \rightarrow reject (no)
- Clique Given a graph $G=(V, E)$, a clique of the graph is a set S such that $S \subseteq V$ and $\forall v_1, v_2 \in S, (v_1, v_2) \in E$ or $v_1 = v_2$.