

# Computability (04/10/2021)

## \* Model of computation?

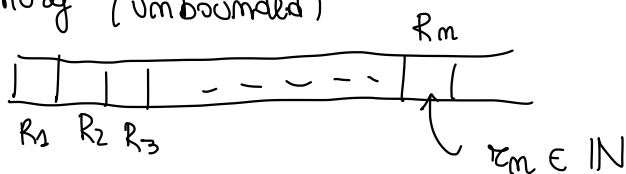
- Turing machine
- $\lambda$ -calculus (Church)
- partial recursive functions (Gödel & Kleene)
- deduction systems (Post)
- URM (Unlimited register machine)
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## Church Turing thesis

A function is computable by an effective procedure iff  
it is computable by a Turing machine

## \* Unlimited Register Machine (URM)

→ memory (unbounded)



→ executes a program : finite list of instructions

$I_1$   
 $I_2$   
 $\vdots$   
 $I_s$

→ Arithmetic instructions

- |             |           |                          |
|-------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| • zero      | $Z(m)$    | $r_m \leftarrow 0$       |
| • successor | $S(m)$    | $r_m \leftarrow r_m + 1$ |
| • transfer  | $T(m, n)$ | $r_n \leftarrow r_m$     |

→ Jump

$J(m, n, t)$

$z_m = z_n ?$    
 ↗ yes jump to  $I_t$    
 ↘ no move to next instruction

→ computation

→ starts from  $I_1$  , + initial config. of registers

→ terminates if the instruction to be executed does not exist

→ lost instruction

→ jump to non existing instruction

Example

→  $I_1 \quad J(2, 3, 5)$

$I_2 \quad S(1)$

$I_3 \quad S(3)$

→  $I_4 \quad J(1, 1, 1)$

$R_1$	$R_2$	$R_3$	
1	2	0	---
2	2	0	---
2	2	1	--
3	2	2	

$I_1 \quad J(1, 1, 1)$

Notation : Given  $a_1, a_2, a_3 \dots \in \mathbb{N}$  and program  $P$

$P(a_1, a_2, \dots)$  computation of  $P$  starting  $a_1 a_2 \dots$

$P(a_1 a_2 a_3 \dots) \downarrow$  eventually terminates

$P(a_1 a_2 a_3 \dots) \uparrow$  diverges

Given  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k \in \mathbb{N}$

$P(a_1 \dots a_k)$  for  $P(a_1 \dots a_k 0 0 \dots)$

$P(a_1 \dots a_k) \downarrow a$  for  $P(a_1 \dots a_k) \downarrow$  and at the end  $t_1 = a$

# \* URM-computable function

Given a function  $f: \mathbb{N}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  (possibly partial) is URM-computable

if there exists a program  $P$  such that  $\forall (a_1, \dots, a_k) \in \mathbb{N}^k \quad \forall a \in \mathbb{N}$

$$P(a_1, \dots, a_k) \downarrow a \quad \text{iff} \quad (a_1, \dots, a_k) \in \text{dom}(f)$$

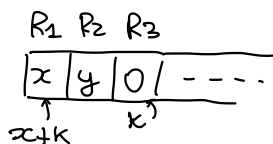
$$f(a_1, \dots, a_k) = a$$

$$\mathcal{C}^{(k)} = \{ f \mid f: \mathbb{N}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \quad f \text{ URM-computable} \}$$

$$\mathcal{C} = \bigcup_{k \geq 1} \mathcal{C}^{(k)}$$

\*  $f: \mathbb{N}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$

$$f(x, y) = x + y$$



$\Downarrow$



LOOP:  $J(2, 3, \text{STOP})$

$S(1)$

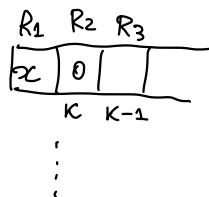
$S(3)$

$J(1, 1, \text{LOOP})$

STOP :

\*  $g: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$

$$g(x) = x \div 1 = \begin{cases} 0 & x = 0 \\ x-1 & x > 0 \end{cases}$$



$J(1, 2, \text{END})$

$S(2)$

$k = 1$

LOOP:  $J(1, 2, \text{RES})$

$k = x?$

$S(2)$

$S(3)$

$J(1, 1, \text{LOOP})$

RES:  $T(3, 1)$

END:

\*  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x/2 & \text{if } x \text{ even} \\ \uparrow & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$R_1$	$R_2$	$R_3$
$x$	0	0
$2K$	$K$	

LOOP: J(1, 2, RES)

$x = 2K?$

S(3)

S(2)

S(2)

J(1, 1, LOOP)

RES: T(3, 1)

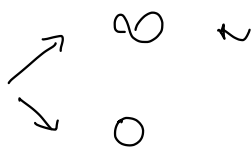
\* function computed by a program

Given  $P$  program and  $k \geq 1$

$$f_P^{(k)}: \mathbb{N}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

$$f_P^{(k)}(a_1, \dots, a_k) = \begin{cases} a & \text{if } P(a_1, \dots, a_k) \downarrow a \\ \uparrow & \text{if } P(a_1, \dots, a_k) \uparrow \end{cases}$$

Given a function  $f: \mathbb{N}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  how many programs compute  $f$ ?



Exercise: Consider URM-machine without  $T(m, m)$  instruction



$\mathcal{E}^-$  functions computable in URM-

$$\mathcal{E}^- \subsetneq \mathcal{E}$$

$T(m, m)$

$Z(m)$

LOOP: J(m, m, END)

S(m)

J(1, 1, LOOP)

proof

$(\mathcal{C}^- \subseteq \mathcal{C})$  Let  $f: \mathbb{N}^K \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$   $f \in \mathcal{C}^-$  hence there is a URM-program  $P$  such that  $f = f_P^{(K)}$  and observe that  $P$  is also a URM program  $\Rightarrow f = f_P^{(K)} \in \mathcal{C}$ .

$(\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{C}^-)$  Let  $f: \mathbb{N}^K \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$   $f \in \mathcal{C}$  hence there is  $P$  URM-program such that  $f_P^{(K)} = f$

$P$   $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} I_1 \\ I_2 \\ \vdots \\ I_t \\ \vdots \\ I_s \end{array} \right. T(m, m)$

We prove that  $P$  can be transformed in a URM-program  $P'$  such that  $f_P^{(K)} = f_{P'}^{(K)}$  by induction on  $h = \# \left( \begin{array}{l} T(m, m) \text{ instr.} \\ \text{imp} \end{array} \right)$

$(h=0)$   $P$  is a URM-program, hence we can take  $P=P'$

$(h \rightarrow h+1)$   $P$  is of the kind (assume  $P$  is well-formed)

$P \left\{ \begin{array}{l} I_1 \\ \vdots \\ I_t \\ \vdots \\ I_s \end{array} \right. T(m, m) \rightsquigarrow P'' \left\{ \begin{array}{l} I_1 \\ I_t \quad J(1, 1, \text{SUB}) \\ \\ I_s \\ I_{s+1}: J(1, 1, \text{END}) \\ \text{SUB}: Z(m) \\ \text{LOOP}: J(m, m, I_{t+1}) \\ \quad S(m) \\ \quad J(1, 1, \text{LOOP}) \\ \text{END}: \end{array} \right.$

### OBSERVATION

Given a program  $P$  there always exists  $P'$  such that  $\forall k \quad f_P^{(k)} = f_{P'}^{(k)}$  and  $P'$  is "well-formed" i.e. it will always ends at its last instruction  $+1$

if  $P \begin{cases} I_1 \\ \vdots \\ I_s \end{cases}$  then for any jump  $J(m, m, t)$   
 $t > s$   
 $\Downarrow$   
 $J(m, m, s+1)$

Now  $f_P^{(k)} = f_{P''}^{(k)}$  and  $P''$  has  $h$   $T(m, m)$  instructions thus by inductive hyp. there exists  $P'$  URM-program such that

$$f_{P'}^{(k)} = f_{P''}^{(k)}$$

Hence 
$$f_P^{(k)} = f_{P''}^{(k)} = f_{P'}^{(k)}$$

□

### \* Exercise :

Variants URM<sup>s</sup> of URM-machine

$$e^s \stackrel{?}{=} e \quad T(m, m) \quad T_s(m, m) \quad e_m \leftrightarrow e_m$$

\* Exercise : Consider URM<sup>s</sup> = URM without jump instruction  
 $e = \stackrel{?}{=} e$