

What is Time? not manmade \rightarrow sub optimal understate

Q What's an Algorithm?

(1995) Sequence of instructions when followed give a predictable result.

Answer to what's an algorithm?

will lead to the following revelation

\rightarrow What's a computer?

\rightarrow Separate hardware and software

\rightarrow Programming language?

\rightarrow Compilers

"The more closer we come to truth, better unimaginable technology will pop out"

-K.S.

Now let's understand latest defn of algorithm

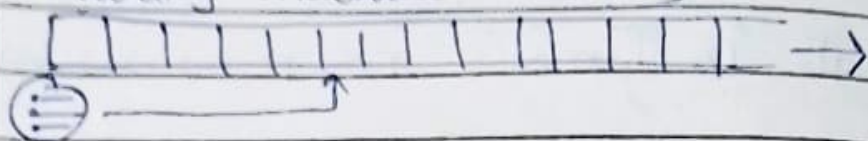
Axioms (Assumptions) [Turing machine]

1 Information travels @ finite speed.

2 Finite volume of memory/space can be used to store/retain only finite amt of information reliably.

3 Only finitely many instructions can be packed a priori.

Turing machine memory



Memory is like a tape. Reader/writer can move only 1 step left or right. Every cell stores a finite set of tape alphabets.

Example 'Sept' - our very own Turing Machine

Sept is a 7 tuple TM

Alphabet set $\langle Q, \Gamma, \delta, q_{\text{start}}, q_{\text{accept}}, q_{\text{reject}} \rangle$
 Σ not part of tape

$\Sigma \rightarrow$ Finite set of input symbols ($\Sigma \neq \Gamma$)

$\Gamma \rightarrow$ Finite set of tape alphabets

$Q \rightarrow$ set of states

$\delta: \Gamma \times Q \rightarrow \Gamma \times Q \times \{L, R\} \rightarrow$ function/programming language

Defn

Church-Turing Thesis - anything ~~etc~~ that can be simulated by TM is a valid algorithm.

~~Computer is same~~ Because TM is defined by a finite set of alphabets ~~them~~, here we can input a TM to another TM.

TextBook - Algorithms by DasGupta, Papadimitriou, Vazirani.

Universal TM

$$U_{TM}(\langle M \rangle, x) = M(x)$$

$\langle M \rangle$ - Type casting the defn of TM to a string of alphabets

x - output of any TM

$M(x)$ - output of TM, M .

Universal TM takes a TM_n^M as input and gives output of M .

Universal TM gave birth to the idea of General Purpose Hardware whose software is the defn of Universal TM.

Algorithm is something that is simulated by TM.

Fun fact

$$Fib_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} (\phi)^i - \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} (\bar{\phi})^i$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2} \qquad \qquad \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} F_n \\ F_{n+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^n \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ F_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

"Why questions are deadly, no valid answer to why question"