

24<sup>th</sup> NOV

# Can computers do "EVERYTHING"?

## A TURING.

Today:

1. An intuitive explanation why computers possibly can not solve all pbms
  2. An example with pf that computers indeed cannot solve everything.

$x^n + y^n = z^n$ ,  $n \geq 3$ , is not terminate.

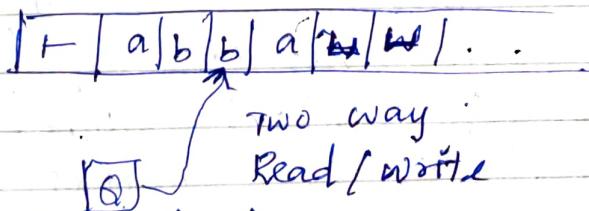
Remark.

If one can write a program which can scan any program input pair  $(P, I)$  & decide if the program  $P$  with input  $I$  will print 'Hello, world' then we are going a Proof of Fermat's Last Thm HIGHLY UNLIKELY.

## Russell's Paradox:

## Naïve Set Theory.

## Turing Machine



## Informal Description:

A TNS has a finitely many states  $Q$ , a semi finite tape that is delimited on the left by endmarker  $\sqleftarrow$  & infinite on right, and a head that can move left & right over the tape reading & writing symbols.

The input string is of finite length & is initially written on the tape in continuous.

tape cells hung up against the left endmarker. The infinitely many cells to the right of the input contains a special blank symbol  $\sqcup$ .

The machine starts at its start state  $s$  with its head scanning the left endmarker. In each step it reads the symbol on the tape under its head depending on that symbol & the current state. It writes a new symbol on that cell & move to left or right.

It accepts its input if it reaches to accept state  $t$ , reject if it reaches the reject state  $r$  or it runs infinitely causing a loop.

### Formal Defn:

A deterministic one way TM is a 9-tuple

$$M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \sqcup, \sqcup, \delta, s, t, r)$$

Where,

1.  $Q$  is the finite set of states
2.  $\Sigma$  finite set of input alphabets.
3.  $\Gamma$  finite set of tape alphabets with  $\Sigma \subseteq \Gamma$
4.  $\sqcup \in \Gamma \setminus \Sigma$  blank symbol.
5.  $\sqleftarrow \in \Gamma \setminus \Sigma$  left marker.
6.  $\delta : Q \times \Gamma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma \times \{L, R\}$

The transition fn where  $L \& R$  denotes left & right

7.  $s \in Q$  start state
8.  $t \in Q$  accept state
9.  $r \in Q$  reject state  $r \neq t$

A.  $\delta(p, a) = (q, b, d)$  means when in state p & scanning symbol a write b on that tape cell & move to direction d & enter that q.

B. Endmarker is never over-written

$$\text{i)} \forall p \in Q, \exists q \in Q \text{ s.t } \delta(p, t) = (q, t, R).$$

Once TM enters accept state it never leaves;

same for reject state

$$\text{i)} \forall b \in \Gamma, \exists c, c' \in \Gamma \text{ & } d, d' \in \{L, R\} \text{ s.t } \delta(t, b) = (t, c, d), \delta(r, b) = (r, c', d').$$

### Exc

i. Try to construct an example of a Turing Machine.

2. S.T "does a program Q, given input y, ever call function foo" is undecidable.

3. Read defn of undecidability.

1. Give an example of a TM that accepts  $\{anbn^c^n | n \geq 0\}$

2. Give an example of a TM which accepts all of  $\Sigma^*$ .

3. Give an example of a TM which rejects all strings of  $\Sigma^*$ .

MARIA MARIA

Defn/Notn:

$\Gamma^{\infty}$  = All input strings.  
Let  $z$  be any input string.

$s_b^n(z)$  = String obtained by replacing  $n^{th}$  term  $z_n$  of  $z$  by  $b$ .

$s_b^4(t\text{-}baaaacabca\dots) = t\text{-}baab\underline{c}abca$ .

Let  $M$  be a TM

We define  $\xrightarrow[M]{I}$

$M$  is at,

$(q, z, n)$  means it is reading string  $z$ , is at state  $q$  & currently at  $n^{th}$  position.

This is called a configuration of  $M$ .

$$(p, z, n) \xrightarrow[M]{I} \begin{cases} (q, s_b^n(z), n-1) & \text{if } \delta(p, z_n) = (q, b, L) \\ (q, s_b^n(z), n+1) & \text{if } \delta(p, z_n) = (q, b, R) \end{cases}$$

Turing Machine:

$$M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, \tau, S, E, R)$$

Diagram annotations:

- States:  $Q$
- Input alphabets:  $\Sigma$
- Tape alphabets:  $\Gamma$
- Blank symbol:  $\tau$
- Left end marker:  $S$
- Accept state:  $E$
- Reject state:  $R$

where  $(p, z, n)$  implies that the machine is at state  $p$  & reading  $n^{th}$  cell of string  $z$ .

Reflexive closure:

$$\xrightarrow[M]{*} \text{ of } \xrightarrow[M]{I}$$

•  $\alpha \xrightarrow[M]{0} \alpha$

•  $\alpha \xrightarrow[M]{n+1} \beta$  if  $\alpha \xrightarrow[M]{?} r$  &  $r \xrightarrow[M]{i} \beta$  for some  $i$ .

•  $\alpha \xrightarrow[M]{X} \beta$  if  $\alpha \xrightarrow[M]{n} \beta$  for some  $n \geq 0$ .

M accepts.

input  $x \in \Sigma^*$  if  $(s, \vdash x \perp \cup^w, 0) \xrightarrow[M]{k} (t, y, h)$

for some  $y \neq n$ ; it rejects  $x$  if

$(s, \vdash x \perp \cup^w, 0) \xrightarrow[M]{k} (r, y^*, h')$  for some  $y^*$

• M is said to halt on input x if it either accepts or rejects x, otherwise it is said to loop.

• A turing Machine M is called total if it halts on all inputs.

•  $L(M) = \{x \in \Sigma^* / x \text{ accepts by } M\}$

• A set of strings is called recursively enumerable (r.e) if it is  $L(M)$  for some turing machine M.

• A set of strings is called co-r.e if its complement is r.e.

• A set of strings is called recursive if it is  $L(M)$  for some total turing machine.

• A property P of strings is called decidable if  $\{x | P(x)\}$  is recursive.

ii) for any set  $A$ ,  $A$  is r.e. if " $x \in A$ " is semi-decidable.

Pbm:

c.f.p. 1.

Pbm:

s.t.  $A = \{ww \mid w \in \{a,b\}^*\}$  is recursive.

Pbm

Find a total TM that accepts  $\{w \mid |w|\text{ is prime}\}$

Remarks:

1. If  $A$  recursive then so is  $A^c = \Sigma^* \setminus A$   
 $\text{Also } A = L(M)$ .

Let  $M'$  be identical to  $M$  except  
 $t_M = r_{M'}, r_M = t_{M'}$

2. Every recursive set is recursively enumerable

3. If  $A \& A^c$  both r.e. then  $A$  is recursive

$i: \mathbb{Z}^k \xrightarrow{\text{surjective}}$  abelian gp  $A = \langle a_1, \dots, a_k \rangle$   
 $(A, +)$

$e_i \mapsto a_i$

extend using homomorphism

$\text{Def } A \cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}^k}{\ker \varphi}$

$\mathbb{Z}^k$  is called free abelian gp of rk  $k$  = Universal object among abelian gp generated by  $k$  elts.

classmate  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Page \_\_\_\_\_

All abelian gps gen by  $k$  elts are quotients of  $\mathbb{Z}^k$ .

If first part of  $x \in \{a, b\}^*$  is  $a^n b a^k b a^m$  then it says  $x$  may represent a TM with states  $|\Sigma| = k$ ,  $|\Gamma| = m$

$a^n b a^k b a^m \dots a, \# y$   
 $M_x$

TM  $M_x$  with input  $y$

Create a TM which takes input  $x$  from  $\{a, b, \#\}^*$ . Then

① Decides if  $x$  is  $M \# y$  for  $M$

Theorem 1

$\{M \# x \mid M \text{ a TM \& } x \text{ is a string with } x \in L(M)\}$

is NOT RECURSIVE.

(i) The problem of checking whether a given turing machine accepts a given string is not decidable.

Theorem 1'

$\{M \# x \mid M \text{ a TM \& } x \text{ a string s.t. } M \text{ halts with } x \text{ input}\}$  is NOT recursive.

Proof:

Let  $V$  be a TM that

① decides if the given input is a TM & valid input or not. If no rejects.

If yes goes to step ②.

② Applies  $x$  on  $M$  & does what  $M$  does.

③ accepts if  $M$  accepts  $x$ , rejects if  $M$  rejects  $x$ ,

## Technique

## Diagonalisation

loops if  $M$  loops at  $x$ . ii) simulates action of  $M$  on  $x$ .

[ $U$  is called a universal TM].

$$L(U) = \{M \# x \mid M \text{ TM} \& M \text{ accepts } x\}$$

$\forall x \in \{0,1\}^*$  let  $M_x$  be the TM over  $\{0,1\}$  whose encoding is  $x$

If  $x$  not legal encoding then  $M_x$  is the trivial TM with 1 state that halts immediately we get:

$$M_\epsilon, M_0, M_1, M_{00}, M_{01}, M_{10}, M_{11}, M_{100}, \dots \quad // \text{all TMs over } \{0,1\}$$

	$\epsilon$	0	00	01	10	11	100	...
$M_\epsilon$	H	L	L	H	H	L	-	-
$M_0$	L	H	-	-	-	-	-	-
$M_1$	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
$M_{00}$	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
$M_{01}$	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
$M_{10}$	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
$M_{11}$	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
$M_{100}$	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

let  $J$  a total TM  $\&$  accepting

$$HP = \{M \# x \mid M \text{ TM} \& M \text{ halts at } x\}$$

ii) i)  $K$  halts  $\&$  accepts if  $M$  halts on  $x$ .

ii)  $K$  rejects otherwise.

Consider a machine  $N$  that on input  $x \in \{0,1\}^*$

i) constructs  $M_x$  from  $x$  & writes  $M_x \# x$  on in

ii) runs  $K$  on  $M_x \# x$  accepting if  $K$  rejects  $\&$  going to a trivial loop if  $K$  accepts !!.

Then for any  $x \in \{0,1\}^*$ ,  $N$  ~~rejects~~ halts on  $x$ .

$\hookrightarrow K$  rejects  $M_x \# x$ .

$\hookrightarrow M_x$  loops on  $x$  !!

$\hookrightarrow K \# M_x$  for any  $x$  !!

Exc : Prove Thm 1 (Accept version)  
 ② A r.e., B r.e. Is  $A \cap B$  r.e?

Thm: Regular  $\Rightarrow$  Recursive

Converse not true

Ex  $\{a^n b^n c^n / n \geq 0\}$ .

$(Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, s, t, \tau, \delta, u, \vdash)$

Q Finite  $\mathbb{N}$

$\Sigma$  Finite  $\mathbb{N}$

$\Gamma$  Finite  $\mathbb{N}$

$\delta : Q \times \Gamma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma \times \{L, R\}$

$|N^3 \times A| = N$   $\rightarrow$  Total no. of TM  
 ↓  
 Total no. of possible transitions

$\begin{matrix} \{0, 1\}^0 \\ \cup \\ \{0, 1\}^1 \\ \vdots \\ \{0, 1\}^n \end{matrix} \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$   
 Set 0

$\rightarrow$  1-1 map onto map  
 from  $X \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$   $\textcircled{3}$

One possible enumeration

$0^k | 0^l | 0^m | 0 | 0 | 0^n | 0^p$

$1 | 0^2 | 0 | 0^2 | 0^3 | 0^4 | 0^5$

$|Q| = k \quad |\Sigma| = l \quad |\Gamma| \leq m$

$\delta(1^{\text{st}} \text{ state}, 1^{\text{st}} \text{ alphabet})$

$= p^{\text{th}} \text{ state}, p^{\text{th}} \text{ alphabet}, left$

$\delta(2^{\text{nd}}, 1^{\text{st}}) = (q^{\text{th}}, q^{\text{th}}, right)$

Universal TM

## Universal TM

### Step 1

(1) + (2) + (3) + (4) says that  $T \xrightarrow{f} T$  is 1-1 map  
from  $T \rightarrow X$

### Step 2

We construct a TM which takes  $T$ 's as input on alphabet  $\{0, 1\}$  or by any other alphabet & strings of  $\{0, 1\}$  as input. Then it simulates the TM on the string.

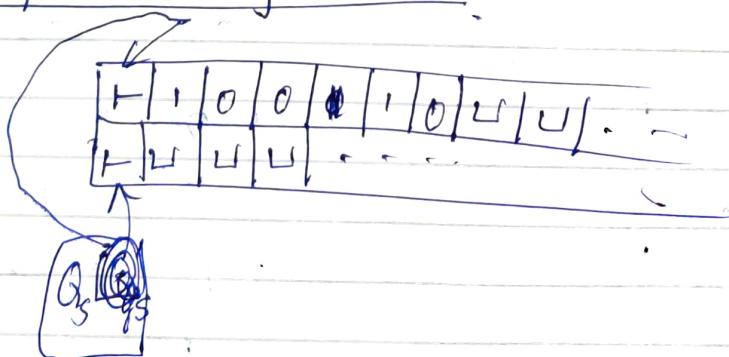
Formally we construct  $U$  s.t. alphabet of  $U$  is  $\{0, 1, \#\}$

& (i)  $U$  checks whether an input is of the form  $M\#x$  where  $M$  &  $x$  are string of  $\{0, 1\}$  with  $M$  representing a TM under some fixed representation

IF NOT  $U$  REJECTS THE INPUT

(ii) If yes then  $U$  acts as  $M$  on input  $x$ .

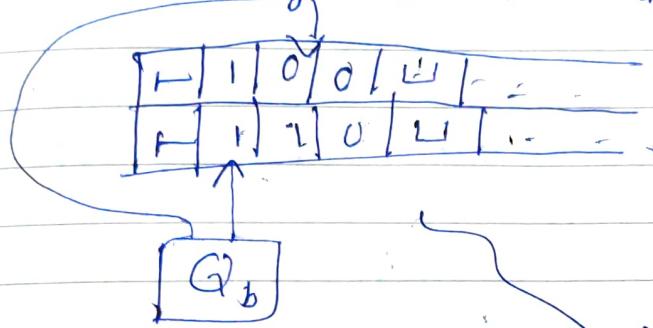
## 2-Tape Turing Machine:



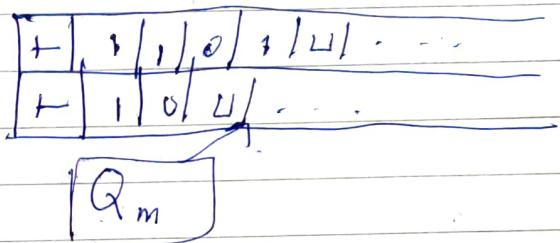
1. Input written on top tape & bottom one is empty
2. Both has left & right marker
3. Reads from both.

Time complexity  
Reducibility  
Incompleteness

tapes & writes on both  
states change as in 1 tape machine.



If halts if it halts  
on both tapes  
(i) it reaches to an  
accept/reject state  
based on both tapes



has written 1 on top tape &  
moved left & has kept the  
bottom tape unchanged &  
moved right.

similarly one can define n-tape machines.

Remark: 2-Tape machine can be ~~seen~~  
visualized as a 1-tape machine by changing  
 $\Sigma$  to  $\Sigma_{\text{new}} = \Sigma \times \Sigma$

Time Complexity:

$$\Sigma \ A = \{0^k 1^k \mid k \geq 0\}$$

$\Leftrightarrow$  'A' not regular  
'A' recursive

Q: How much time does a single tape TM  
need to decide A?

~~the as and edge reached~~:

classmate

Date: ?

Page: ?

M, - On input string w

1. Scan & reject if a 0 is found to the right of 1
2. Repeat if both 0's & 1's remain on tape
3. Scan across tape "crossing off" a single 0 & a right 1.
4. If 0's still remain after all 1's are crossed or 1's still remain after 0's are crossed, reject. Otherwise accept.

Defn: If M is a deterministic TM that halts on all inputs., The running time or time complexity of M is the fn  $f: N \rightarrow N$ , where  $f(n)$  is the maximum no. of steps that M uses on any input of length n. If  $f(n)$  is the running time of M, we say that M runs in time  $f(n)$  & that M is an  $f(n)$  time TM.

Defn:

$f, g : N \rightarrow R_{>0}$ ,  $f(n) = O(g(n))$  if  
There exists c &  $n_0$  s.t  $\forall n \geq n_0$

$$f(n) \leq c g(n)$$

When  $f(n) = O(g(n))$  we say that  $g(n)$  is an asymptotic upper bound of f

Ex  $5n^3 + 2n^2 - 6 = O(n^3)$ .

Also we say

$$f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$$

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

i)  $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$   $O(g(n))$

$f(n) \leq c g(n)$

$\exists C$

means  $\forall c > 0$ ,  $\exists n_0$  s.t.  $f(n) \leq c g(n)$ .  
 $\forall n \geq n_0$

Ex  $Vn = O(n)$

$$f(n) = O(g(n))$$

$$h(n) = O(g(n))$$

$f(n) > h(n)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Qn

What is the maximum no. of steps needed by  $M_1$  to halve for a string of length  $n$ ?

Ans:  $O(n^2)$ .

Qn

Is there a TTM that accepts  $A$  in  $O(n^2)$ ?

$M_2$ : On input  $w$ :

1. Scan across & reject if  $\exists 0$  right of 1

2. Repeat as long as both 0's & 1's on tape:

3. { Scan across checking total 0's & 1's

remaining is even or odd. Reject if odd

4. Scan across crossing off every other 0 starting with first 0. Same for 1's }

5. If no 0's & no 1's remain accept. Otherwise

Ans:  $O(n \log n) = O(n^2)$

Qn

Is there a TTM for  $A$  that halts in  $O(n)$ ?

Ans: No.

No however one can do it if more than one tape is allowed.

Yes with 2 tape TM.

~~Time~~  
 Proof?

Any language that is decidable in  $O(n \log n)$  by a single tape TM is regular. (small o)

Defn:

A language  $A$  is said to be in Time( $f(n)$ ) for  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  if  $A$  is decided by an  $O(f(n))$  TM.

Thm:

Let  $t(n)$  be a fn with  $t(n) \geq n$ . Then every  $t(n)$  time multi-tape TM has an equivalent of  $O(t(n)^2)$  single tape TM.

Class P

P is the class of languages that are decidable in polynomial time by some 1-tape TM  
 $P = \bigcup_{k \geq 0} \text{Time}(n^k)$ .

Examples of Problems in P

- For a given directed graph decide if there is a direct path between two vertices.
- Given 2 integers decide if they are relatively prime.

Algorithm: (Euclidean Algorithm)

E : On input  $\langle x, y \rangle$

- Repeat until  $y=0$
- Assign  $x \leftarrow x \bmod y$ .
- Exchange  $x \leftrightarrow y$
- Output  $x$ .

$$y^2 + z^2 + p^2 + \dots + x^2 y^2 \text{ time.}$$

R : On input  $\langle x, y \rangle$

- Run E on  $\langle x, y \rangle$

- If result is 1 accept - o.w reject.

Q S.T algorithm  $\oplus$  is in P but any simple modification into testing composit is not

## Reduction & Gödel's Incompleteness

<sup>similar</sup>

- Pbm 1: Does  $\exists$  a TM that decides if a given TM has atleast 1000 states. (Yes)
- Pbm 2: Does  $\exists$  a TM that decides if a given TM accepts  $\epsilon$ ? (No)

### IMP Reduction Technique.

- we shall show existence of such TM will render Halting problem decidable leading towards a contradiction
- For a given TM  $M$  & an input  $x$  construct from a new TM  $M'_x$  as follows :
  - (i)  $M'_x$  takes any input  $y$  erases it & writes  $x$  on its tape
  - (ii) Runs  $M$  on input  $x$ .
  - (iii) Accepts if  $M$  halts on  $x$  !!

$$L(M'_x) = \begin{cases} \Sigma^* & \text{if } M \text{ halts on } x \\ \emptyset & \text{if } M \text{ doesn't halt on } x. \end{cases}$$

- If a TM exists that decides if any given TM accepts  $\epsilon$  then apply that on  $M'_x$  & that will decide the halting pblm !!

Why? :  $M'_x$  accepts  $\epsilon$  iff  $M$  halts on  $x$  !

## Gödel Incompleteness:

1. statements in Number Theory are either true or false under natural interpretation
2. One can build a "formal language" for number theory.
3.  $\text{Th}(\mathbb{N})$  is true statements about number theory

Gödel's Incompleteness Thm.

$\text{Th}(\mathbb{N})$  is Not T-e

What is a Thm in some (Finite) Axiom System containing  $\Rightarrow$   
 Reasonable axiom systems contains  $\Rightarrow$

1. A proof of statement  $\varphi_n$  is a sequence  $\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n$  of formulas s.t. each  $\varphi_i$  is either an axiom or follows from formulas earlier in the list by a rule of inference.
2. One example of Axiom system for Number Theory is Peano Arithmetic.

- $(\varphi \text{ and } \psi) \Rightarrow \varphi$
- $(\forall x \varphi(x)) \Rightarrow \varphi(1)$ .
- $\forall x \forall y \forall z ((x=y) \text{ and } (y=z) \Rightarrow x=z)$
- & so on

3. A proof system is said "sound" if all thms are true one can show PA is sound.

$$\left| \begin{array}{c} \text{Th}(\mathbb{N}) \\ \models \varphi \\ \text{thm} \\ \text{of} \end{array} \right| \rightarrow \text{Th}(\mathbb{N})$$