

Reference: Introduction to Theoretical Computer Science by Boaz Barak

Formatting:

- **Definitions**
- Nontrivial results / intermediate steps
- *Emphasis*, emphasis

Chapter 1: Math background

- **Layering of DAG:** Let $G = (V, E)$ be a directed graph. A *layering* of G is $f : V \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that $\forall u \rightarrow v : f(u) < f(v)$
 - A layering is **minimal** if $\forall v \in V, v$ has no in-neighbors $\implies f(v) = 0$, else $\exists u \rightarrow v : f(u) = f(v) - 1$
- **Topological Sort Theorem:** G acyclic $\iff \exists$ minimal layering of G
- Asymptotic Notation: for $f, g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$
 - $f = O(g) \iff \exists a, N_0 \in \mathbb{N} : \forall n > N_0, f(n) \leq a \cdot g(n)$
 - $f = \Theta(g) \iff f = O(g), g = O(f)$
 - $f = \Omega(g) \iff g = O(f)$
 - $f = o(g) \iff \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N_0 : f(n) < \epsilon \cdot g(n)$
 - $f = \omega(g) \iff g = o(f)$
- For finite set $\Sigma, \Sigma^* \equiv \bigcup \Sigma^i$

Chapter 2: Representation

- **Cantor's Theorem:** no surjective function from a set S to its power set $\mathcal{P}(S)$
 - Now for each $S' \subseteq S \in \mathcal{P}(S), s \in S' \leftrightarrow g : S \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ where $g(s \in S) = 1 \iff s \in S' \in \mathcal{S}$.
 - Suppose there is surjection $h : S \rightarrow \{0,1\}^S$, then $\sigma : S \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ defined by $\sigma(s) = \neg[h(s)](s)$ cannot be in $\text{Im}(h)$
 - Suppose $\exists s_0 \in S : h(s_0) = \sigma$, then $\sigma(s_0) \neq [h(s_0)](s_0) \implies \sigma \neq h(s_0)$
 - Corollary: set of boolean functions $\{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ is uncountable
 - $\{0,1\}^* \cong \mathbb{N}$ and $\{f : \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}\} = \{0,1\}^{\{0,1\}^*} \cong \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$
- A **representation scheme** for a set \mathcal{O} is a pair of functions E, D where $E : \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \{0,1\}^*$ and $D : \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{O}$ such that $D \circ E = I_{\mathcal{O}}$
- For strings $y, y' \in \{0,1\}^*, y$ is a **prefix** of y' if $\exists y'' \in \{0,1\}^* : yy'' = y'$
- $E : \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \{0,1\}^*$ is **prefix-free** if $\forall o, o' \in \mathcal{O} : E(o)$ is not prefix of $E(o')$

- Prefix-free encoding \implies tuple encoding: $E'((o_1, \dots, o_k)) = E(o_1) \dots E(o_k)$
- For every encoding $E : \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \{0,1\}^*$ there exists prefix-free encoding E'
 - Let S be a prefix-free encoding of \mathbb{N} , then $E'(o) = S(|E(o)|)E(o)$
- Computational tasks are boolean functions up to representation
 - Computational tasks are mathematical objects
- Algorithms are physically realizable specifications which compute functions
 - Algorithms may be specified irrespective of physical specification (i.e. as mathematical objects whose existence manipulation are physically realizable), but elementary operations (if, for,...) must be inherently physically realizable

Chapter 3: Defining computation

- A **boolean circuit** with n inputs, m outputs, and s gates is a labeled DAG $G = (V, E)$ with $s + n$ vertices such that:
 - Exactly n input vertices *have no in-neighbors* labeled $x[0] \dots x[n-1]$.
 - Each input has *at least one out-neighbor*
 - Other s vertices are gates allowing *parallel edges* (e.g.
 - Exactly m output gates with no out-neighbors are labeled $Y[0] \dots Y[m-1]$
- A s -line **straight-line program** is a list of tuples $L = ((i_0, i_1, i_2) \in \mathbb{N}^3)$ corresponding to the sequence of instructions $x_{i_0} = \text{NAND}(x_{i_1}, x_{i_2})$
- Introducing $\text{NAND}(a, b) = \neg(a = b = 1) = \text{NOT}(\text{AND}(a, b))$
- Boolean circuits \iff Straight-line programs
 - Straight-forward conversion
- Two sets of gates A, B are **equivalent** $A \cong B$ if they compute the same set of functions
 - \cong is an *equivalence relation* (reflexive, symmetric, transitive)

Chapter 4: Syntactic sugar and computing every function

- **Syntactic sugar**: f is computable by the set of functions $S \iff S \cong S \cup \{f\}$
 - $\{\text{NAND}\} \cong \{\text{AND}, \text{OR}, \text{NOT}\}$
 - $\text{NOT}(a) = \text{NAND}(a, a)$, $\text{AND}(a, b) = \text{NOT}(\text{NAND}(a, b))$
 - $\{\text{if}, \text{NAND}\} \cong \{\text{NAND}\}$: $\text{if}(a, b, c) = a ? b : c = (a \wedge b) \vee (\neg a \wedge c)$
- Define $\text{Lookup}_k : \{0,1\}^{2^{k+k}} \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ so $\forall x \in \{0,1\}^{2^k}, i \in \{0,1\}^k, \text{Lookup}(x, i) = x_i$
 - Lemma: Exists $O(2^k)$ -sized circuit which computes Lookup_k

- Induction: base step $\text{Lookup}_1(x_0, x_1, i_0) = \text{if}(\neg i_0, x_0, x_1)$ and
 $\text{Lookup}_{k+1} = \text{if}(\neg i_0, \text{Lookup}_k(x_0, \dots, x_{2^k-1}, i_1, \dots, i_k), \text{Lookup}_k(x_{2^k}, \dots, x_{2^{k+1}-1}, i_1, \dots, i_k))$
- Theorem: **boolean circuits compute every finite function**
 - Proof: $f(y_0, \dots, y_{n-1}) = \text{Lookup}_n(\dots [x_i = f(i)] \dots, y_0, \dots, y_{n-1})$
 - Corollary: $|\text{SIZE}_{n,m}(10mn \cdot 2^n)| = 2^{2^n}$. We can do better: $|\text{SIZE}_{n,m}(10 \cdot 2^n/n)| = 2^{2^n}$
 - Alternative proof: Inductively assume every $f : \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ is computable, then
 $\forall f' : \{0,1\}^{n+1} \rightarrow \{0,1\}$. Let $f'_1(x_0, \dots, x_{n-1}) = f'(1, x_0, \dots, x_{n-1})$ and
 $f'_0(x_0, \dots, x_{n-1}) = f'(0, x_0, \dots, x_{n-1})$: both are computable, and
 $f(x_0, \dots, x_n) = (\neg x_0 \wedge f'_0(x_1, \dots, x_n)) \vee (x_1 \wedge f'_1(x_1, \dots, x_n))$
 - Corresponding bound is $O(m2^n)$
- $\forall n, m, s \in \mathbb{N} : \text{SIZE}_{n,m}(s) = \{f : \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^m \mid f \text{ computable with } \leq s \text{ gates}\}$ is the **size class** of functions with n inputs, m outputs and s gates.
 - $\text{SIZE}_n(s) \equiv \text{SIZE}_{n,1}(s)$, and $\text{SIZE}(s) \equiv \bigcup_{n,m} \text{SIZE}_{n,m}(s)$

Chapter 5: Code as Data, Data as Code

- Representation of programs may be used as inputs to other programs
- $\forall f \in \text{SIZE}(s), \exists P$ computing f such that string representation of P has length $O(s \log s)$
 - Given s -line straight-line program L , there are at most $3s$ variables. Representing each variable takes at most $O(\log s)$ characters, so we need $O(s \log s)$ to represent L
- Program size bound on number of computable functions: $|\text{SIZE}_{n,m}(s)| \leq 2^{O(s \log s)}$
 - Define $\phi : \text{SIZE}_{n,m}(s) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}^{3s}$ so that given f , $\phi(f)$ is the smallest size- s straight-line program which computes f , ϕ is injective, and $|\text{SIZE}_{n,m}(s)| \leq |\text{Im}(\phi)| \leq 2^{O(s \log s)}$
- Theorem: maximum size of program computing arbitrary $f : \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ is $\Theta(2^n/n)$
 - Lower bound: $\exists \delta \in \mathbb{R}_+, N_0 \in \mathbb{N} : \forall n \geq N_0, \left| \{0,1\}^{\{0,1\}^n} \right| \geq \text{SIZE}_n(\delta 2^n/n)$
 - Let $0 < \delta < 1$, then substitute $s \mapsto \delta 2^n/n$ and unrolling the definition of O yields $\exists c > 0, N_0 \in \mathbb{N} : \forall n > N_0 : \text{SIZE}_n(\delta 2^n/n) \leq 2^{c\delta 2^n/n \cdot \log(\delta 2^n/n)} \leq 2^{c\delta 2^n}$. Choose $\delta < 1/c$ to yield $|\text{SIZE}_n(\delta 2^n/n)| \leq 2^{2^n}$
 - Upper bound: we showed that any $f : \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ computable using $O(n2^n)$ —the best bound $O(2^n/n)$ suffices to provide the upper bound
- **Size Hierarchy Theorem:** for sufficiently large n and $10n < s < 0.1 \cdot 2^n/n$, $\text{SIZE}_n(s) \subsetneq \text{SIZE}(s + 10n)$
 - Let $f^* : \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ be the function such that $f^* \notin \text{SIZE}_n(0.1 \cdot 2^n/n)$. Consider a class of functions $\{f_i \mid i \in [2^n - 1]\}$ such that $f_i(x) = (x < i) ? f^*(x) : 0$
 - f_0 is constant 0, while $f_{2^n-1} = f^*$
 - Now $f_{i+1}(x) = (x = i + 1) ? f^*(x) : f_i(x)$ and recursion incurs $O(n)$ overhead
- An **interpreter** $\text{EVAL}_{s,n,m}(px) = P(x)$, where $|p| = O(s \log s)$, $|x| = n$, and p is the string representing program P , is a single function which evaluates arbitrary programs of certain size
 - Efficient computation of interpreters: computing $\text{EVAL}_{s,n,m} : \{0,1\}^{O(s \log s)+n}$ takes $O(s^2 \log s)$ lines
 - Proof: there are s lines and $O(s)$ variables. Consider a variable lookup table; iteratively reference and update the table for each of s lines. Total complexity is $s^2 \log s$
 - Lookup is $O(s)$: recall lookup takes linear time w.r.t. size of table
 - Update is $O(s \log s)$: s to iterate over the elements and $O(\log s)$ to check index equality

Chapter 6: DFA and regular expressions

- We now consider computation over *unbounded* inputs $\{0,1\}^*$
 - We may compute $f : \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ via an *infinite collection* of circuits $\{C_i \text{ computing } f_i\}$
 - But we want a finitely describable process!
- **Deterministic Finite Automaton** $M = (T, \mathcal{S})$ with C states
 - Transition function $T : [C] \times \{0,1\} \rightarrow [C]$
 - $\mathcal{S} \subseteq [C]$ are accepting states
 - Computing $M(x)$: initially $s_0 = 0$ and $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, |x|\} : s_i \mapsto T(s_i, x_i)$; output $s_{|x|} \in^? \mathcal{S}$
- **Lemma: single-pass constant-memory algorithms are DFA-computable**
 - Proof: $[C]$ denotes all *possible configurations of memory* (for n -bit memory $C = 2^n - 1$)
- **Number of DFA-computable functions are countable**
 - Characterizations of DFAs are finite \implies set of all DFAs is countable
 - Corollary: exists non-DFA-computable functions
- A **regular expression** e over alphabet Σ is a string over $\Sigma \cup \{ (,), |, *, \emptyset, "" \}$ either:
 - $e \in \Sigma$: single literal in alphabet
 - $e = e' | e''$: logical *or*
 - $e = e' e''$: concatenation of regular expressions
 - $e = e'^*$: repetition of expressions
 - $e = \emptyset$: any expression; $e = ""$: no expression
- The function $\Phi_e : \Sigma^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ evaluates whether its input **match regular expression** e
- A function f is **regular** if exists regular expression $e : \Phi_e = f$
- **Single-pass constant-memory algorithm computes regular functions:**
 - Time-complexity: for each reg-ex e and character σ there exists $e[\sigma] : \Phi_e(\sigma s) = \Phi_{e[\sigma]}(s)$
 - Each recursion incurs $O(1)$ overhead in computing $e[\sigma]$
 - Memory-complexity: Memoization of restrictions is $O(|e|)$ and constant w.r.t. n
- **Lemma: Regular functions are DFA-computable**
 - Corollary: $\exists e' : \Phi_{e'} = \neg \circ \Phi_e$: flip the accepting gates of DFA computing Φ_e
 - **Closure of regular expressions:** $\forall f : \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}, \exists e' : \Phi_{e'} = f \circ ((\Phi_{e_1} \dots \Phi_{e_n}))$
 - Regular expressions closed under *not* and *or*
 - Corollary: **REGEQ** : $\text{REGEQ}(e, e') \equiv (\Phi_e = \Phi_{e'})$ is *computable*
- **Lemma: DFA-computable functions are regular**
 - Let $A = (T, \mathcal{S})$: $\forall v, w \in [C]$, define $F_{v,w} : \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ such that $F_{v,w}(x) = 1 \iff$
DFA starting from v will reach w upon input x

- Define $F_{v,w}^t : \forall t \in [C], F_{v,w}^t(x) = 1 \iff F_{v,w} = 1$ and intermediate states $\subseteq [t]$
 - v, w are not counted as intermediate!
- $F_{v,w}^0$ is regular: $\emptyset, 0, 1, 0 \mid 1$ depending on $T(v, (x \in \{0,1\})) =? w$
- Inductive step: assume $\forall v', w' \in [C], F_{v',w'}^t = \Phi_{R_{v',w'}^t}$, the newly introduced state is t
 - Then the shortest path $v \rightarrow w$ is either: $\dots \implies R_{v,w}^{t+1} = R_{v,w}^t \mid \left(R_{v,t}^t (R_{t,t}^t)^* R_{t,w}^t \right)$
 - Contained in $[t]$: path corresponds to $R_{v,w}^t$
 - $v \rightarrow t \rightarrow w$: path corresponds to $R_{v,t}^t (R_{t,t}^t)^* R_{t,w}^t$
- Note that $F_{v,w}^C = F_{v,w}, A(x) = \bigcup_{s \in \mathcal{S}} F_{0,s}(x)$. Then $A = \Phi_{\bigcup_{s \in \mathcal{S}} R_{0,s}^C}$
- Theorem: $f : \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ **DFA-computable** $\iff f$ **regular**
- **Pumping Lemma**: every regular function must have a length threshold above which a true-valued input string invokes the $*$ operator
 - $\forall f = \Phi_e, \exists p \in \mathbb{N} : \exists x, y, z \in \{0,1\}^* : |y| \geq 1, |xy| \leq p, \forall k \in \mathbb{N}, f(xy^kz) = 1$
 - Using to disprove a function is regular using contradiction.

Chapter 7: Turing machines

- What happens to our description of computation when time is no longer canonical?
- Examine our requirements for an **algorithm**:
 - Finitely enumerable set of elementary operations (elementary / physically realizable?)
 - Potentially *unlimited* working memory for inputs and intermediate results
 - Pointer to modifiable portion of memory
 - Instructions to begin, repeat, and stop
- Alan Turing, 1936. An intuitive mathematical formalism of computation
 - A person writing on scratch papers - up to binary representation of brain and scrap
- A **Turing Machine** with k states, alphabet $\Sigma \supseteq \{0, 1, \triangleright, \emptyset\}$, and transition function $\delta_M : [k] \times \Sigma \rightarrow [k] \times \Sigma \times \{L, R, S, H\}$, on input x , outputs $M(x)$ via the process:
 - Initialize $T = (\triangleright, x_0, \dots, x_{n-1}, \emptyset, \emptyset \dots)$; $i = s = 0$
 - Repeat:
 - $(s', \sigma', D) = \delta_M(s, T[i])$
 - Use T to compute new internal state, memory content, and direction of header
 - $s \mapsto s', T[i] \mapsto \sigma'$
 - $D = \begin{bmatrix} L \\ R \\ S \end{bmatrix} \implies i \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} i-1 \\ i+1 \\ i \end{bmatrix}; D = H \implies HALT$
 - Upon $HALT$, $M(x) = T_{n < \min\{i : T_i \neq \emptyset, T_{i+1} = \emptyset\}}$, else $M(x) = \perp$
 - Remarks: internal state space $[k]$ is finite!
- Given Turing machine over Σ and internal state space $[k]$, a **configuration** of M is a string $\alpha \in \bar{\Sigma}^*$ where $\bar{\Sigma} = \Sigma \times (\{\cdot\} \cup [k])$ so that *there is exactly one* $i_0 : \alpha_{i_0} = (\sigma \in \Sigma, s \in [k])$ otherwise $i \neq i_0 \iff \alpha_i = (\sigma', \cdot)$
 - “ \cdot ” are the placeholders. $T[i] = \alpha_{i,0}$ and head is at i_0
- **Lemma: Turing machines have finite transition functions**
 - Let $\Phi_M : \bar{\Sigma}^* \rightarrow \bar{\Sigma}^*$ denote transition between subsequent configurations of a Turing machine, then there exists $\psi_M : \bar{\Sigma}^3 \rightarrow \bar{\Sigma}$ satisfying $\forall i, \psi_M(\alpha_{i-1}, \alpha_i, \alpha_{i+1}) = \Phi_M(\alpha)_i$
 - Configuration changes are locally restricted to the immediate vicinity of tape head.
 - Tape change only possible at head position, and head indicator only possible in vicinity
- A function $f : \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^*$ is **computable** if there exists a Turing machine computing its restriction onto defined domain.
 - Unlike circuits, Turing machines may fail to halt on *some* inputs
 - **R** \equiv the **set of all computable functions**
- Introducing **NAND-TM** language

- Broad-brush idea: $\text{NAND-TM} \equiv \text{NAND-CIRC} + \text{loops} + \text{arrays}$
- A NAND-TM program P is a sequence of lines $a = \text{NAND}(b, c)$ ending with $\text{MOD_JUMP}(a, b)$. Variables may be array variables $X[i], Y[i], X_{\text{blank}}[i], Y_{\text{blank}}[i]$, or additional scalar or array variables.
- Computational process $P(x)$
 - $X[i] = x_i, X_{\text{blank}}[i] = (i \geq |x|)$, all other variables and i are 0
 - Execute until $\text{MOD_JUMP}(a, b) = \{S, R, L, H\}$ and execute corresponding action
- $\text{NAND-TM} \cong \text{TM}$: a theorem by design. Technical details omitted.
- **GOTO as syntactic sugar:**
 - Introduce program counter to indicate which lines should be executed; natural execution increments the program counter; GOTO simply corresponds to changing the counter
 - **GOTO unlocks complex loop constructs** such as *WHILE, FOR, etc*
- **Uniformity:** computing task across different input lengths with the same instructions.
 - TM's and DFA are uniform, while *collection* of circuits are not
 - **Uniformity implies truly universal interpreters**

Chapter 8: Equivalent models of uniform computation

• RAM Machine

- Memory array M of unbounded size, each cell stores a *word* $\in \{0,1\}^w \cong [2^w]$
- *Constant* number of **registers** r_0, \dots, r_{k-1} each containing a single word
- Operations:
 - Data movement: $r_i := M_j, M_i := r_j$
 - Computations on registers

• NAND-RAM

- Variables are non-negative integer values $\in [0, T-1]$: T is number of executed steps
- *Integer-indexed access* to integer arrays; basic arithmetic operations; loop constructs

• NAND-RAM \cong NAND-TM

- Gory details (Pg 290?)
- Reference via $f : \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}; f(x, y) = (x + y)(x + y + 1)/2 + x$
- Let \mathcal{F} be the set of all partial functions $\{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}^*$. A **computational model** is a map $\mathcal{M} : \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$. A program $P \in \{0,1\}^*$ \mathcal{M} -computes $F \in \mathcal{F} \iff \mathcal{M}(P) = F$
 - Note that *algorithms are finite strings*, so \mathcal{M} cannot be surjective!
 - \mathcal{M} is **Turing complete** if there exists **computable** map $\phi : \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}^*$ such that for every TM N as a string computing F , $(M \circ \phi)(N) = F$
 - i.e. computes all Turing-computable functions
 - \mathcal{M} is **Turing equivalent** if it is Turing complete and exists **computable** map from each P in \mathcal{M} to the Turing machine which computing $\mathcal{M}(P)$
- A one-dimensional **cellular automaton** over $\Sigma \supset \{\emptyset\}$ is described by transition rule $r : \Sigma^3 \rightarrow \Sigma$ satisfying $r(\emptyset, \emptyset, \emptyset) = \emptyset$. A *configuration* is a function $A : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \Sigma$, and computation proceeds via $A \mapsto A' : A'(i) \equiv \Sigma(A(i-1), A(i), A(i+1))$
 - A **configuration is finite** if only finitely many entries are nonzero
- **Theorem: One-dimensional automata are Turing complete**
 - For each M over Σ and state space $[k]$, take automaton over $\Sigma' \supset \{\emptyset = (\emptyset, \cdot)\} \cup \bar{\Sigma}$ with transition function $A = \psi_M$
- **λ -calculus:** Alonzo Church
 - *Anonymous definition of functions and functions as first-class objects*
 - $f(x) = x \times x, f(3) \leftrightarrow (\lambda x. x \times x)3$
 - Creating multi-argument functions via **currying**
 - $\lambda x. (\lambda x. x + y)$ corresponds to $g(x, y) = x + y$: taking the first argument y creates a partial function $\lambda x. x + y$

- A λ **expression** is either a single variable identifier or expression of the following forms:
 - $e = (e \ e')$: Apply e to e' . Application is left-associative: $f \ g \ h = (f \ g) \ h$
 - *Abstraction*: $e = \lambda x . e'$
- λ expressions may be evaluated by repeatedly applying the following rules:
 - β **reduction**: $(\lambda x . y) \ z \rightarrow y[x \mapsto z]$ (replace all occurrences of x in y by z)
 - α **conversion**: $\lambda x . z \iff \lambda y . z[x \mapsto y]$
 - Evaluation protocols:
 - *Call by name (lazy evaluation)*: $\text{eval}[(\lambda x . y) \ z] = \text{eval}(y[x \mapsto z])$
 - *Call by value (eager evaluation)*: $\text{eval}[(\lambda x . y) \ z] = \text{eval}(y[x \mapsto \text{eval}(z)])$
 - Evaluation may encounter infinite loops such as $(\lambda x . x \ x)(\lambda x . x \ x)$
- Syntactic λ sugar: **Church encoding**
 - $1 \equiv \lambda x . (\lambda y . x)$, $0 \equiv \lambda x . (\lambda y . y)$. Then $\text{if}(\text{cond}, a, b) \equiv \text{cond } a \ b$
 - $\text{pair } x \ y \equiv \lambda x . \lambda y . (\lambda g . g \ x \ y)$ satisfies $(\text{pair } x \ y) \ z = z \ x \ y$
 - $\text{head } p \equiv p \ 1$ satisfies $\text{head } (\text{pair } x \ y) = x$. Similarly $\text{tail } p = p \ 0$
 - $\text{nil} \equiv \lambda x . 1$. Define $\text{ispairnil} \equiv \lambda p . p \ (\lambda x . \lambda y . 0)$. Where $\text{ispairnil } p = (p =? \ \text{nil})$
 - Encoding numerals: Let $i + 1 = \text{pair } 1 \ i$, then $i - 1 = \text{tail } i$
 - **Y combinator**: Define Y s.t. Yf is a fixed point of $f \iff Yf = f(Yf)$
 - $Y \equiv \lambda f . (\lambda x . f \ (x \ x)) \ (\lambda x . f \ (x \ x))$. Then $Yf = f((\lambda x . f \ (x \ x)) \ (\lambda x . f \ (x \ x))) = f(Yf)$
 - Define recursive functions f as $F(f, x)$ where self-referencing calls are replaced by f
 - e.g. $g(x) \equiv (x = 0)?1 : xg(x - 1) \leftrightarrow F \equiv [\lambda f . \lambda x . (x = 0)?1 : x \cdot f(x - 1)]$
 - Then $g(2) = YF \ 2 = F(YF) \ 2 = 2 \cdot (YF \ 1) = 2 \cdot 1 = 2$
 - Then $\text{reduce} = \lambda g . \lambda L . \text{if}(\text{isempty}(\text{tail } L))(\text{tail } L) [g(\text{head } L) (\text{reduce}(\text{tail } L))]$
 - $\text{map} = \lambda g . \text{reduce}(\lambda x . \lambda y . \text{pair}(g \ x) \ y)$
 - $Y\text{-combinator} \rightarrow \text{reduce} \rightarrow \text{map} \rightarrow \text{filter} \dots$
 - λ -expression e computes F if $\forall x \in \{0,1\}^*, e\langle x_0, \dots, x_{n-1}, \perp \rangle \cong \langle y_0, \dots, y_{m-1}, \perp \rangle$
 - Inputs and outputs are λ -lists (think oCAML!)
 - **λ calculus is Turing-equivalent**: Simulating TM
 - λ -calculus computes NAND thus every finite function, including TM's transition function
 - λ -calculus also supports conditional-dependent recursion.

Chapter 9: Universality and Uncomputability

- **Universal Turing Machine Interpreter**
 - Exists TM U s.t. on every string M representing a TM and $x \in \{0,1\}^*$, $U(Mx) = M(x)$
 - Representation of TM with k states $\Sigma = \{\sigma_0, \dots, \sigma_{l-1}\}$, and (finite) δ_M is trivial
 - Trivial proof since we can finitely characterize the operation of TM
 - Remark: every $s \in \{0,1\}^*$ can correspond to a (can-be-trivial) TM!
- Existence of uncomputable functions
 - One way: Cardinality argument
 - Let U be the universal TM, then $F^*(x) = 1 - U(x, x)$ (if no-halt then 0) is uncomputable
- **Halting problem:** $\text{HALT} : \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}^*$ s.t. $\forall M \in \{0,1\}^*$, $\text{HALT}(M, x)$ computes whether TM M halts on input x . HALT is uncomputable:
 - Assume $\exists M_{\text{HALT}}$, then $M_{F^*}(x) = M_{\text{HALT}}(x, x)?1 - U(x, x) : 0$ computes F^* if M_{HALT} computes HALT
 - Assume $\exists M_{\text{HALT}}$. Define $P : P(x) = M_{\text{HALT}}(x, x)?\text{nohalt} : \text{halt}$
 - $M_{\text{HALT}}(P, P) = 1 \implies M_{\text{HALT}}(P, P) = 0$ and vice versa \rightarrow contradiction
- **Proof by reduction:** f uncomputable $\iff (\text{HALT computable} \implies f \text{ computable})$
- Variants of the halting problem
 - HALT0 problem: $\text{HALT0}(M) = (M(0) = ? \perp)$
 - HALT0 computable $\implies \text{HALT}$ computable: given M, x , define $M_x : M_x(0) = U(M, x)$; output $\text{HALT}(M, x) = P(M_x, 0)$
- M, M' **functionally equivalent** $M \cong M' \iff \forall x \in \{0,1\}^*, M(x) = M'(x)$ including halts!
- $F : \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}^*$ is **semantic** if $\forall M, M' \in \mathbb{N} : M \cong M' \implies F(M) = F(M')$
 - In other words, F semantic \iff exists extension $\tilde{F} : \{0,1\}^*/\cong \rightarrow \{0,1\}^*$
- **Rice's theorem: Nontrivial semantic functions are uncomputable**
 - F nontrivial semantic $\implies \exists M_0 : F(M_0) \neq F(\text{INF})$ where INF is the TM that never halts
 - Without loss of generality let $F(\text{INF}) = 1, F(M_0) = 0$
 - Assuming access to A computing F , then P below computes HALT0 :
 - Given $N \in \{0,1\}^*$, construct TM $G(N)$ which given x executes:
 - Compute $N(0)$
 - Return $M_0(x)$
 - Return $F(G(N))$
 - $N(0) = \perp \iff F(G(N)) = F(\text{INF}) = 1$

Chapter 10: Context-free Grammar

- The more expressive a computational model is, the less semantic questions we can answer
- Given alphabet Σ , a **context-free grammar (CFG)** over Σ is a triple (V, R, s) s.t.
 - V denote variables, disjoint from Σ : $V \cap \Sigma = \emptyset$. Initial variable $s \in V$
 - R are rules: $\forall r \in R, r = (v \in V, z \in (\Sigma \cup V)^*) \leftrightarrow v \Rightarrow z \implies z$ can be derived from v
 - Remarks: $v \in V$ are like “types”, $s \in V$ is the type to interpret the input in, and $r \in R$ denotes how types can possibly be composed of each other
- Example: CFG of arithmetic expressions
 - $\Sigma = \{ (,), +, -, \times, \div, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 \}$
 - $V = \{ \text{expr}, \text{number}, \text{digit}, \text{operation} \}, s = \text{expr}$
 - Rules: $\text{operation} \Rightarrow + \mid - \mid \times \mid \div$, $\text{digit} \Rightarrow 0 \mid \dots \mid 9$, $\text{number} \Rightarrow \text{digit} \mid \text{digit number}$, $\text{expr} \Rightarrow \text{number} \mid \text{expr operation expr} \mid (\text{expr})$
- Another example: CFG of matching parentheses: $\text{match} \Rightarrow \emptyset \mid \text{match match} \mid (\text{match})$
- Given CFG $G = (V, R, s)$ over Σ and $\alpha, \beta \in (\Sigma \cup V)^*$, β **can be derived in one step** from α , $\alpha \Rightarrow_G \beta \iff \exists (v \Rightarrow z) \in R : \beta = \alpha[v \mapsto z]$. Derivability in general denoted by $\alpha \Rightarrow_G^* \beta$
- $x \in \Sigma^*$ is **matched** by G if x can be derived from s : $s \Rightarrow_G^* x$.
- CFG as computational model: G **computes** $\Phi_G(x) = (s \Rightarrow_G^* x?)$
 - $F : \Sigma^* \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ is **context free** if $\exists G : F = \Phi_G$
- Context-free grammar is computable
 - Reduce to **Chomsky normal form** $u \Rightarrow v w$: add auxiliary variables if necessary.
 - Simple matching over possible partitions and rules
- CFG is more expressive than reg-ex
 - Induction over length of e : simple base case.
 - $e = e'e'', e = e'|e'', e = (e')^*$ corresponds to simply adding new rules
- CFG for palindrome: $p \Rightarrow \emptyset \mid 0p0 \mid 1p1$
 - Non-palindrome: $p \Rightarrow \emptyset \mid 0p0 \mid 1p1$; $d = 0p1 \mid 1p0$; $n = d \mid 0n \mid 1n \mid n0 \mid n1$
- Context-free pumping lemma
 - A long enough matching string must have repeated variables in its derivation
 - $\forall G + (V, R, s), \exists n_0, n_1 \in \mathbb{N} : \forall x \in \Sigma^*, |x| > n_0, \Phi_G(x) = 1 \implies$ existence of partition $x = abcde : |b| + |c| + |d| \leq n_1, |b| + |d| > 1, \forall k \in \mathbb{N}, \Phi_G(ab^kcd^ke) = 1$
 - Assume a long-enough string, then by pigeon-hole principle there must be repeated derivation $v \Rightarrow bvd$ for which $v \Rightarrow c$
 - Example: EQ : $\{0, 1, ;\}^* \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$, $\text{EQ}(y) = (\exists x : y = x; x)$ cannot be pumped

Chapter 11: Proofs and Computation, Gödel's Incompleteness Theorem

- **Mathematical statements** are strings $s \in \{0,1\}^*$ whose **truth depend on (defined) properties of abstract objects, and not on empirical facts**
 - Properties such as “will halt,” “is prime,” etc.
- Given $\mathcal{T} \subseteq \{0,1\}^*$ be the set of mathematical statements which are considered true. An *algorithm* V constitutes a **proof system for \mathcal{T}** if it is:
 - **Sound:** $\forall x \notin \mathcal{T}, w \in \{0,1\}^*, V(x, w) = 0$. Proofs cannot prove untrue statements
 - **Effective:** $\forall x, w \in \{0,1\}^*, V$ halts with an output of 0 or 1
 - V is **complete** if every statement is provable
 - Remarks:
 - Truthfulness of statements are given a priori *independent of the proof system*
 - A proof system is a classifier of true statements: *soundness* requires that it makes no false positive mistakes, *effectiveness* requires it produces output *given a candidate proof*.
 - A true statement $x \in \mathcal{T}$ may be unprovable w.r.t. V if $\forall w \in \{0,1\}^*, V(x, w) = 0$
 - A complete proof system must produce the truth status of any statement in finite time
- **Completely provable \implies computable:** given $\mathcal{T} \subseteq \{0,1\}^*$, existence of a *complete proof system for $\mathcal{T} \implies \Phi_{\mathcal{T}}(x) = (x \in^? \mathcal{T})$ is computable*
 - Assume $\forall x \in \{0,1\}^*, \exists \neg x \in \{0,1\}^* : x \in \mathcal{T} \iff \neg x \notin \mathcal{T}$ ($\neg x$ is the logical negation)
 - Our assumption seems sound, but must it hold for every set of true statements?
 - Let V be a complete proof system for \mathcal{T} . Given each x , look for proofs of $x, \neg x$ —our search process must halt because one of them must be true and V is complete.
- Given any proof system V , we can design a true statement x^* that is not provable by V :
 - x^* is true $\iff x^*$ does not have a proof in V
 - Fixed-point trick to solve the problem of self-reference (arithmetic is better than syntax here)
 - Why would we wish to prescribe arbitrary truth statements *given a proof system?* (Kind of like change the labels of our data after being given a classifier)
- **Quantified Integer Statements (QIS)** are statements with no unbound variables which only uses integers, variables, operators (+, -, =, *, >, <), logical operations AND, and $\exists_{x \in \mathbb{N}}, \forall_{y \in \mathbb{N}}$
 - $\text{QIS} \subseteq \{0,1\}^*$, and we can similarly use syntactic sugar
- **Quantified Mixed Statements (QMS)** is QIS additionally allowing $\forall_{a \in \{0,1\}^*}, \exists_{a \in \{0,1\}^*}, a_i, |a|$
- **Theorem: Φ_{QMS} is uncomputable**
 - Proof idea: Φ_{QMS} computable $\implies \text{HALT0}$ computable
 - A program halts on zero iff a sequence of configurations $H = (\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{T-1})$ s.t. α_0 is a valid starting configuration with input 0, α_{T-1} is halting configuration, and $\alpha_{t+1} = \text{NEXT}(\alpha_t)$

- Concretely, $\text{HALT0}(M) = \Phi_{\text{QMS}}(\exists_{H \in \{0,1\}^*} H \text{ encodes halting sequence with input zero})$
- Define QMS for NEXT : $\Sigma^* \rightarrow \Sigma^*$: it is produced by **convolving a local function $\Sigma^3 \rightarrow \Sigma$**
 - Define QMS over local function, and use universal quantifier to mimic convolution
- Similarly, use universal quantifier to check valid transition over sequence, and finally validate beginning and ending configurations.
- **Theorem: Φ_{QIS} computable $\implies \Phi_{\text{QMS}}$ computable: reducing QMS to QIS**
 - Encode every string $x \in \{0,1\}^*$ by $(X, |x|) \in \mathbb{N}^2$ such that
 $\exists \text{QIS coord} : \text{coord}(X, i) = i < |X| ? (x_i = ? 1) : 0$
 - Then $\forall_{x \in \{0,1\}^*} \mapsto \forall_{X \in \mathbb{N}} \forall_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, |x| \mapsto n, x_i \mapsto \text{coord}(X, i)$
 - **Constructible prime sequence**: exists primes p_i s.t. $\exists \text{QIS PSEQ}(p, i) = (p = ? p_i)$
 - Then $X = \prod_{x_i=1} p_i, \text{coord}(X, i) = \exists_{p \in \mathbb{N}} \text{PSEQ}(p, i) \wedge (X \% p = 0)$
 - Corollary: Φ_{QMS} is uncomputable.
 - Corollary: **There is no complete proof system for $\text{QMS} \subseteq \{0,1\}^*$**
 - i.e. we cannot prove every QMS.