

Q Determine if destructor is called.

```
bool testHalt(String P, String x) {  
    void helper() {  
        Object* ob = new Object();  
        P(x);  
        ob.~Object();  
        destructor  
    }  
    return testDestruct(helper, "");  
}
```

TD has impl. \Rightarrow TH has impl.
But we know \neg (TH has impl.)

// true if all objects are destroyed, false otherwise

```
bool testDestruct (String P, string x);  
    CANNOT EXIST
```

1 Countability and the Halting Problem

Prove the Halting Problem using the set of all programs and inputs.

- a) What is a reasonable representation for a computer program? Using this definition, show that the set of all programs are countable. (Hint: Python Code)

Finite length strings from finite alphabet.

- b) We consider only finite-length inputs. Show that the set of all inputs are countable.

Finite length strings from finite alphabet.

- c) Assume that you have a program that tells you whether or not a given program halts on a specific input. Since the set of all programs and the set of all inputs are countable, we can enumerate them and construct the following table.

$p_1(x_1)$ halts
 $p_1(x_2)$ loops
 $p_2(x_3)$ loops

	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4	...
p_1	H	L	H	L	...
p_2	L	L	L	H	...
p_3	H	L	H	L	...
p_4	L	H	L	L	...
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\ddots

An H (resp. L) in the i th row and j th column means that program p_i halts (resp. loops) on input x_j . Now write a program that is not within the set of programs in the table above.

```
def T( $x_i$ ):
    if  $p_i(x_i)$  halts:
        loop {}
    else:
        return; // halt
```

← TestHalt(p_i, x_i)

TH exists \Rightarrow T exists
But we know that $\neg(\text{T exists})$.

$$((P \Rightarrow Q) \wedge (\neg Q)) \Rightarrow \neg P$$

d) Find a contradiction in part a and part c to show that the halting problem can't be solved.

If T is not in the table, we have an uncountable~~ly~~ of progs.

2 Fixed Points

Consider the problem of determining if a function F has any fixed points. That is, given a function F that takes inputs from some (possibly infinite) set \mathcal{X} , we want to know if there is any input $x \in \mathcal{X}$ such that $F(x)$ outputs x . Prove that this problem is undecidable.

Assume TestFix(F)

def $F_1(x)$:
return $x * x * 2$

def $F_2(x)$:
return $x + 2$

def TestHalt(P, x) :

def helper(y) :

P(x)

return y

return TestFix(helper)

$\exists TF \Rightarrow \exists TH$

$\neg(\exists TH)$

$\therefore \neg(\exists TF)$

$P(x) \text{ halts} \Rightarrow \text{helper}(y) == y$

\Downarrow

$TF(\text{helper}) \stackrel{?}{=} \text{True} \Leftarrow \text{helper has a fixed point}$

$P(x) \neg \text{halt} \Rightarrow \text{helper}(y) \text{ does not return anything}$

$TF(\text{helper}) \text{ is False} \Leftarrow \text{helper has no fixed points}$

TestFix(F_1) == True
 $F_1(0) = 0$

TestFix(F_2) == false
 $F_1(x) \neq x \forall x \in \mathcal{X}$

def T(x_i) :

if $TF(F_i, x_i) == \text{True}$:

return

def G(x_i) :

if $F_i(x_i) == x_i$:

return something from $\mathcal{X} \setminus \{x_i\}$

else :

return x_i

	x_1	x_2	x_3
P_1	Fix	N	F
P_2	F	N	N
P_3	F	F	F

3 Computability

Decide whether the following statements are true or false. Please justify your answers.

- (a) The problem of determining whether a program halts in time 2^{n^2} on an input of size n is undecidable.

- (b) There is no computer program `Line` which takes a program P , an input x , and a line number L , and determines whether the L^{th} line of code is executed when the program P is run on the input x .