

HW3

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Total Points

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Question 1

Q1

8 / 8 pts

✓ - 0 pts Correct

- 1 pt Minor Error

- 4 pts Major Error

- 6 pts Incorrect

Question 2

Q2

8 / 8 pts

✓ - 0 pts Correct

- 1 pt Minor error

- 2 pts Logic error

- 4 pts Incorrect Machine

- 6 pts Algorithm Approach

- 8 pts No answer

Question 3

Q3

■ 8 / 8 pts

✓ - 0 pts Correct

- 2 pts Minor error

- 4 pts Major error

- 8 pts Completely wrong or no answer

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Question 4

Q4

8 / 8 pts

✓ - 0 pts Correct

- 4 pts Major Error
- 1 pt Minor Error
- 2 pts Did not clear the tape to the right of x_i
- 4 pts Did not show how to count the number of 1s (value of i). Counting should be simulated on the TM
- 8 pts No answer
- 7 pts Question asks for the tape to be halted with just x_i on the tape, not just the pointer pointing to x_i
- 2 pts Explanation is not clear
- 8 pts Incorrect

Question 5

Q5

8 / 8 pts

✓ - 0 pts Correct

- 1 pt Very minor error
- 2 pts Minor Error
- 4 pts Major Error
- 6 pts Incorrect
- 8 pts No answer

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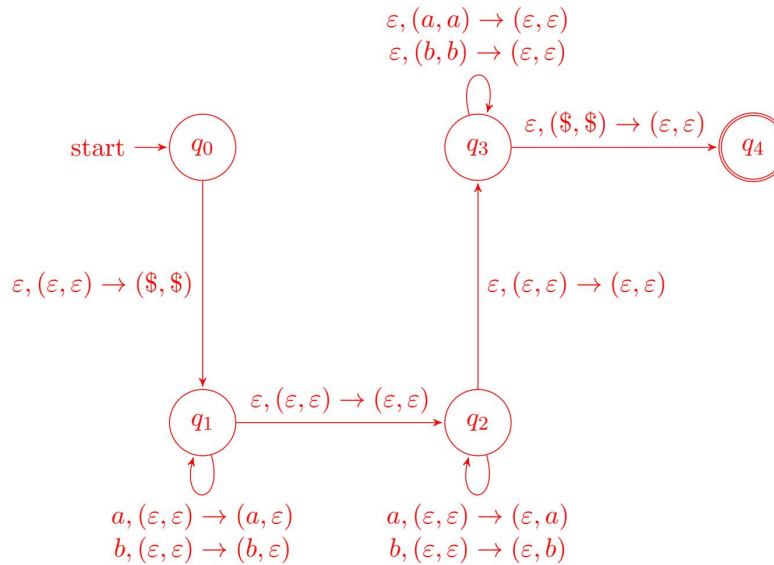
Homework 3: Turing Machines

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Due: 2/23/2024

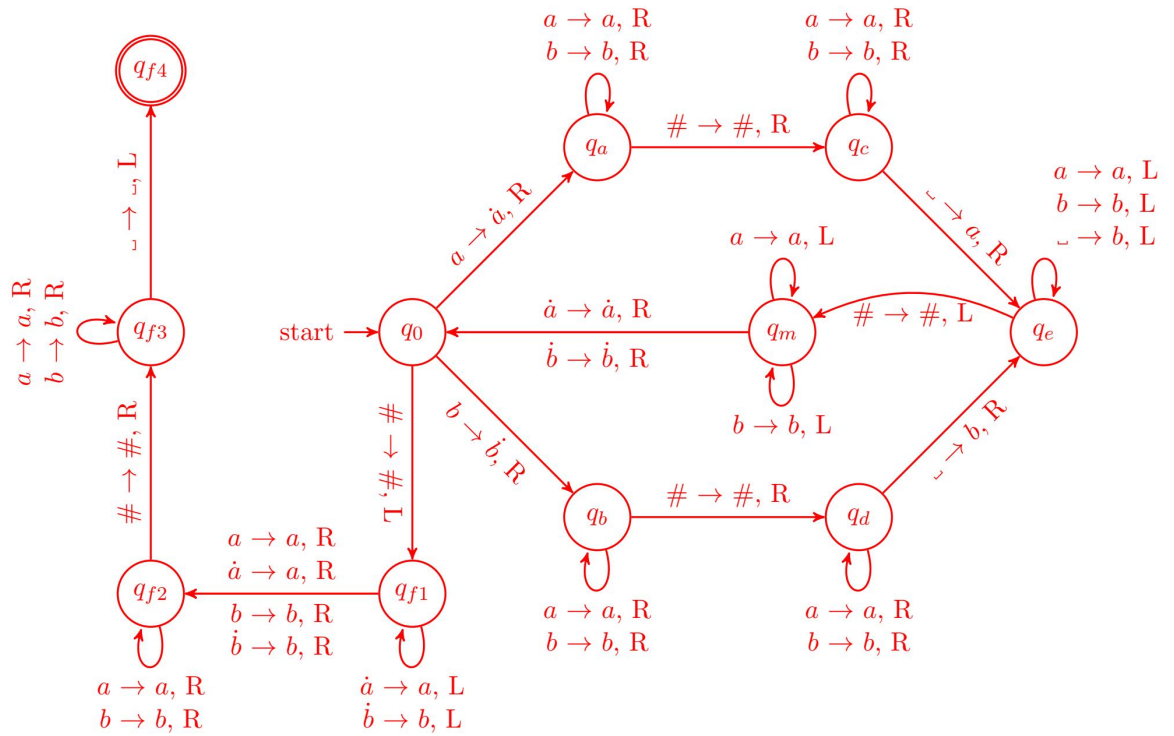
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- Suppose we have a push down automata with two stacks. It has nondeterministic transitions of the form $\text{read}, (\text{pop1}, \text{pop2}) \rightarrow (\text{push1}, \text{push2})$. It reads from the input, pops from both stacks, and pushes to both stacks simultaneously. Give the state diagram of this PDA with two stacks to decide $\{ww \mid w \in \Sigma^*\}$. (Hint: What allowed a single stack PDA to decide ww^R but not ww ?)



- Give the state diagram of a Turing machine which begins with $w\#$ on its tape for any $w \in \Sigma^*$ and halts with $w\#w$ on its tape. The input alphabet is $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ and the tape alphabet may be $\Gamma = \{a, b, \dot{a}, \dot{b}, \#, _ \}$. This Turing machine performs the copy ability. We gave a decision version of this in class. You are giving the computation version.

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3. Give the sequence of configurations of your state diagram from question 2 beginning from $q_0aba\#$. Each on a new line please. (Hint, why not write a program for this)

$q_0aba\#$
 $\dot{a}q_a ba\#$
 $\dot{a}bq_a a\#$
 $\dot{a}baq_a \#$
 $\dot{a}ba\#q_c\sim$
 $\dot{a}ba\#aq_e$
 $\dot{a}ba\#q_ea$
 $\dot{a}baq_e\#a$
 $\dot{a}bq_m a\#a$
 $\dot{a}q_m ba\#a$
 $q_m \dot{a}ba\#a$
 $\dot{a}q_0 ba\#a$
 $\dot{a}bq_b a\#a$
 $\dot{a}baq_b \#a$
 $\dot{a}ba\#q_d a$
 $\dot{a}ba\#aq_d\sim$
 $\dot{a}ba\#abq_e$
 $\dot{a}ba\#aq_e b$
 $\dot{a}ba\#q_e ab$
 $\dot{a}baq_e \#ab$

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$\dot{a}\dot{b}q_ma\#ab$
 $\dot{a}q_m\dot{b}a\#ab$
 $\dot{a}\dot{b}q_0a\#ab$
 $\dot{a}\dot{b}\dot{a}q_a\#ab$
 $\dot{a}\dot{b}\dot{a}\#q_cab$
 $\dot{a}\dot{b}\dot{a}\#aq_cb$
 $\dot{a}\dot{b}\dot{a}\#abq_{c\sim}$
 $\dot{a}\dot{b}\dot{a}\#abaq_e$
 $\dot{a}\dot{b}\dot{a}\#abq_ea$
 $\dot{a}\dot{b}\dot{a}\#aq_eba$
 $\dot{a}\dot{b}\dot{a}\#q_eaba$
 $\dot{a}\dot{b}\dot{a}q_e\#aba$
 $\dot{a}\dot{b}q_m\dot{a}\#aba$
 $\dot{a}\dot{b}\dot{a}q_0\#aba$
 $\dot{a}\dot{b}q_{f1}\dot{a}\#aba$
 $\dot{a}q_{f1}\dot{b}a\#aba$
 $\dot{1}_{f1}\dot{a}ba\#aba$
 $aq_{f2}ba\#aba$
 $abq_{f2}a\#aba$
 $abaq_{f2}\#aba$
 $aba\#q_{f3}aba$
 $aba\#aq_{f3}ba$
 $aba\#abq_{f3}a$
 $aba\#abaq_{f3}\sim$
 $aba\#abq_{f4}a\sim$

4. Give a high level, detailed, description of a Turing machine which computes the projection function $U(n, i, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = x_i$. Do not give a state diagram. The Turing machine must begin with $1^n \# 1^i \# x_1 \# \dots \# x_n$ and halt with just x_i on its tape left-shifted fully. If this was psuedocode, the Turing machine would compute the following algorithm:

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def U(n, i, A[]):
    return A[i]

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Initialization: The Turing machine begins by marking the start of the tape. It replaces the first “1” with a special symbol, say “S”, to denote the start. This marking is crucial for the machine to find its way back to the beginning of the tape.

Counting to i : The machine moves right, clearing any “1”s it encounters until it reaches the first “#”. This marks the end of the 1^n sequence. Upon encountering the first “#”, the machine enters a new state to handle the 1^i sequence. For each “1” in the 1^i sequence that is followed by another “1”, the machine crosses out the “1” and continues moving right until it encounters a “#”, which it then deletes. This action signifies that one element has been bypassed, and the machine continues clearing everything until the next “#”.

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Locating x_i : After each “1” in the 1^i sequence is crossed out and the subsequent “#” is cleared, the machine moves left to find the last crossed-out “1” and repeats the bypass process, until it encounters a “1” that is not immediately followed by another “1” but a “#”. This indicates the i^{th} element is next. The machine then changes its logic, moving right past the “#” (clearing it), and continues until it finds the next “#”, marking the start of x_i .

Retrieving x_i : Upon clearing the “#” that precedes x_i , the machine carefully moves over x_i , without altering it, until it encounters the next “#”, which signifies the end of x_i . The machine clears this “#” to indicate the end of the retrieval phase.

Clearing Remaining Elements: The machine then proceeds to clear all subsequent characters until the tape is empty, effectively removing x_{i+1} to x_n .

Shifting x_i Left: The machine moves back to the start marker “S” and begins the process of left-shifting x_i . It does this by relocating each character of x_i to the leftmost position available, starting from the “S” marker, until x_i is fully left-shifted and alone on the tape.

Final State: The Turing machine halts when x_i is the only content left on the tape, fully left-shifted, with the rest of the tape cleared.

5. Prove that the computable functions are closed under composition.

Consider two computable functions f and g , with corresponding Turing machines S and T that compute these functions, respectively. Assume that the states of S and T are disjoint. Let Q_S be the set of states of S , with q_{S0} as the initial state and q_{SH} as the halting state. Similarly, let Q_T be the set of states of T , with q_{T0} and q_{TH} as its initial and halting states, respectively. Let δ_S and δ_T be the transition functions for S and T .

To prove that the composition $g \circ f$ is computable, we construct a Turing machine $S \circ T$ as follows:

- The set of states $Q_{S \circ T}$ is the union of the states of S without its halting state and the states of T : $Q_{S \circ T} = (Q_S \setminus \{q_{SH}\}) \cup Q_T$.
- The initial state of $S \circ T$ is the initial state of S : $q_{S \circ T, 0} = q_{S0}$.
- The halting state of $S \circ T$ is the halting state of T : $q_{S \circ T, H} = q_{TH}$.
- The transition function $\delta_{S \circ T}$ includes the transitions of S and T , with the transition from q_{SH} in S modified to go to q_{T0} in $S \circ T$.

This construction ensures that after S halts, instead of stopping, the machine transitions to the initial state of T and continues computation. Thus, $S \circ T$ effectively computes f and then g , which by the definition of computable functions, means that the composition $g \circ f$ is computable. This shows that the set of computable functions is closed under composition. ■