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Def<sup>n</sup>: Two languages A and B are many-one equivalent written  $A \equiv_m B$ , if  $A \leq_m B$  and  $B \leq_m A$ . "halt"

AP ie  $A_{TM}$ : INST:  $\langle M, w \rangle$   
acceptance problem QUES: Is  $w \in L(M)$ ?

HP ie.  $HP_{TM}$  INST:  $\langle M, w \rangle$   
Halting Problem QUES: Does  $M(w)$  halt?

$A_{TM} \leq_m HP_{TM}$ : Map

$\langle M, w \rangle \xrightarrow{f} \langle M', w \rangle$

We may assume where  $M' = \begin{cases} q_{acc} & \\ q_{rej} & \end{cases}$   
 $M$  is a DTM in

the text's  $(q_{acc}, q_{rej})$  form.

We can compute the code of  $M'$  given  $M$  since it just adds loop arms



The reduction  $f$  is correct:

$\langle M, w \rangle \in A_{TM} \Rightarrow M \text{ accepts } w$

$\Rightarrow M(w) \text{ goes to } q_{acc}$

$\Rightarrow M'(w) \text{ goes to } q_{acc} \Rightarrow M'(w)$

$\Rightarrow f(\langle M, w \rangle) = \langle M', w \rangle \in HP_{TM}$

$\langle M, w \rangle \notin A_{TM} \Rightarrow M(w) \text{ goes to the old } q_{rej} \text{ which is now a looping state}$

OR  $M'(w)$  never escapes the body of  $f$

Thus  $\langle M, w \rangle \in A_{TM} \Leftrightarrow \langle M', w \rangle \in HP_{TM}$ , so  $A_{TM} \leq_m HP_{TM}$ .

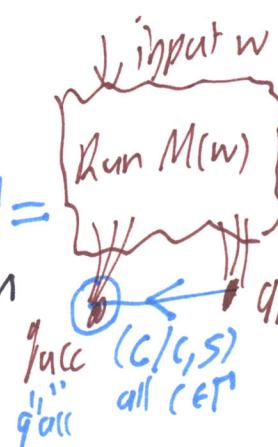
i.e.  $M$  accepts  $w \Leftrightarrow M'$  halts on  $w$ .

$HP_{TM} \leq_m AP_{TM}$ . We need to map

$\langle M, w \rangle \xrightarrow{f} \langle M'', w \rangle$

s.t.  $\langle M, w \rangle \in HP_{TM} \Leftrightarrow \langle M'', w \rangle \in A_{TM}$

i.e.  $M(w) \uparrow \Leftrightarrow M'' \text{ accepts } w$ .



$\langle M, w \rangle \in HP_{TM} \equiv M(w) \uparrow$

$\Rightarrow$  the computation  $M(w)$  comes out at  $q_{acc}$  or at  $q_{rej}$

$\Rightarrow M''(w) \text{ goes to } q_{acc}$

$\Rightarrow M'' \text{ accepts } w$ . Whereas

$\bullet q''_{rej} \langle M, w \rangle \notin HP_{TM} \Rightarrow M''(w)$

still fails to halt within the box

$\therefore M \Rightarrow M''(w) \uparrow$

$\Rightarrow M'' \text{ does not accept } w$ .

Thus  $A_{TM} \equiv_m HP_{TM}$ .

Historically, both have been called "the halting problem".

Similarly,  $ALL_{TM} \equiv_m \underline{\underline{TOT}} = \{ \langle M \rangle : \text{for all } x, M(x) \downarrow \}$   
i.e.  $M$  is total.

We showed  $K_{TM} \leq_m A_{TM}$   
 via  $f(KM) = \langle M, M \rangle$ .  $\langle M, w \rangle \xrightarrow{f} M' = \begin{cases} \text{Run } M(w) \\ \text{if & when acc} \end{cases}$

We showed  $A_{TM} \leq_m NE_{TM}$  and  $A_{TM} \leq_m ALL_{TM}$  via "Nothing Switch" Accept  $X$   $\oplus$   $M \text{ does not acc } X \Rightarrow L(M') = \emptyset$

Also note that  $M'$  accepts its own code if and only if  $M$  accepts  $w$ .  
 $\therefore \langle M, w \rangle \in A_{TM} \Leftrightarrow \langle M' \rangle \in K_{TM}$ . So  $A_{TM} \leq_m K_{TM} : A_{TM} \equiv_m K_{TM}$   
 Historically,  $A_{TM}$  and  $K_{TM}$  are "slammed together" as well.

A similar pattern causes many programming problems to be undecidable.

Show  $A_{TM} \leq_m UC_{Java}$ .

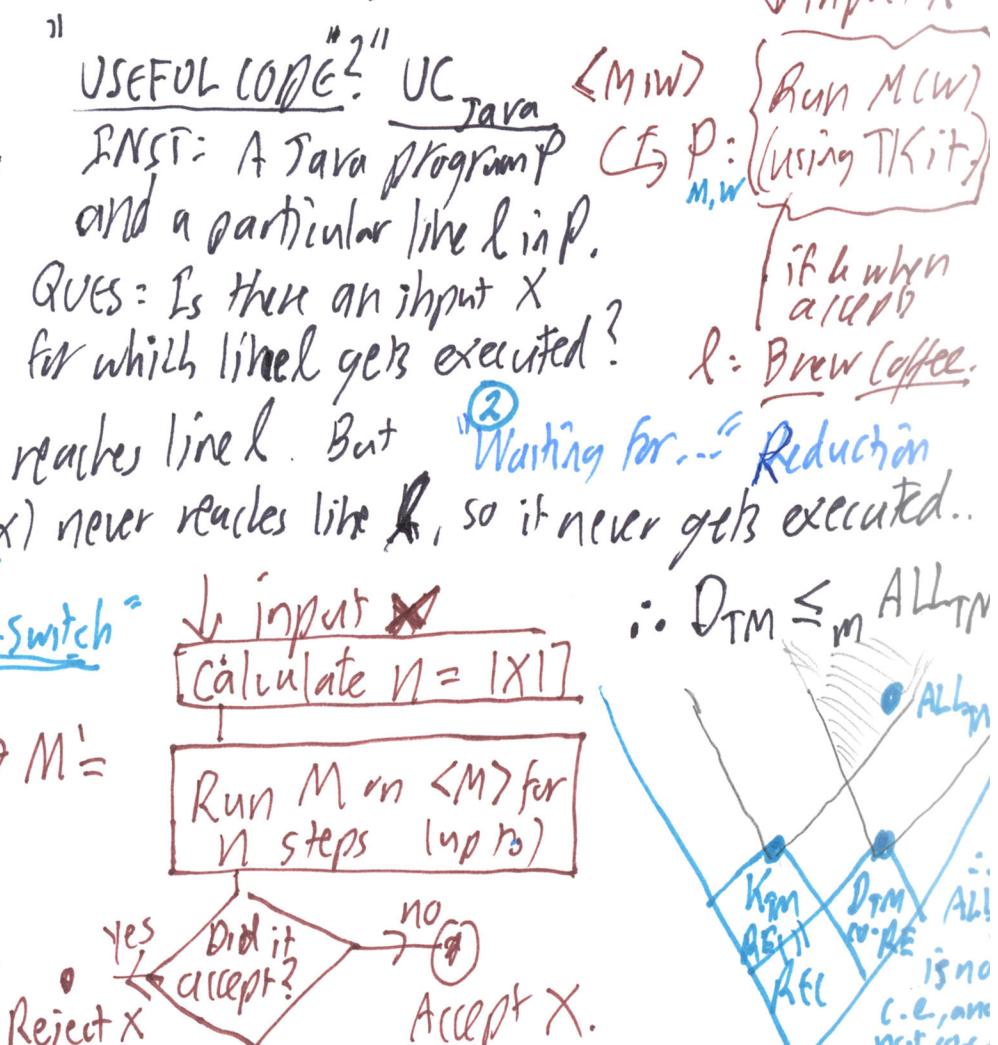
$\langle M, w \rangle \in A_{TM} \Rightarrow$  for all  $x$ ,  $P(x)$  reaches line  $l$ . But  $\langle M, w \rangle \notin A_{TM} \Rightarrow$  for all  $x$ ,  $P(x)$  never reaches line  $l$ , so it never gets executed..

A Third Reduction  $\textcircled{3}$  "Delay Flip-Switch"

Design Pattern:  $\langle M \rangle \xrightarrow{f} M' =$

From  $K_{TM}$  not  $A_{TM}$ .

This code construction is computable. Analysis:



$\langle M \rangle \in K_{TM} \Rightarrow M$  accepts  $\langle M \rangle \Rightarrow M$  accepts  $\langle M \rangle$  within some number  $t$  steps  
 $\Rightarrow$  for all  $X$  st.  $|X| \geq t$ ,  $M'$  sees the acceptance and hence rejects  $X$ .  
 $\Rightarrow L(M')$  is finite, so in particular  $\Rightarrow L(M') \neq \Sigma^*$ . Whereas,  
 $\langle M \rangle \notin K_{TM}$ , i.e.  $\langle M \rangle \in D_{TM} \Rightarrow M$  never accepts  $\langle M \rangle \Rightarrow$  for all  $X$ , however long,  $M'(X)$  never sees acceptance  $\Rightarrow \forall X M'$  accepts  $X : L(M') =$

Theorem: For all  $A \in RE$ ,  $A \leq_m A_{TM}$ , and so by transitivity,  $A \leq_m K_{TM}$ .  
Proof: By  $A \in RE$ , we can take a TM  $M_A$  M\_A is fixed, so this just appends x to such that  $L(M_A) = A$ . Then map any  $x \in \Sigma^*$  to  $f(x) = \langle M_A, x \rangle$ .

Then  $x \in A \Leftrightarrow M_A \text{ accepts } x \Leftrightarrow \langle M_A, x \rangle \in A_{TM}$ . So  $f$  reduces  $A$  to  $A_{TM}$ .  $\square$

Defn: A language  $B$  is complete for a class  $\mathcal{C}$  if •  $B \in \mathcal{C}$  and • for all  $A \in \mathcal{C}$ ,  $A \leq_m B$ .  $\therefore A_{TM}$  and  $K_{TM}$  are RE-complete.  
 ALL<sub>TM</sub> is RE-hard since every  $A \in RE$  reduces to it, but not complete because ALL<sub>TM</sub>  $\notin RE$ .

PREVIEW of next week: ① If we write every second ID in a computation backward  $\vec{C} = [I_0(x)] \underbrace{[I_1^R]}_{\leftarrow} [I_2] \underbrace{[I_3^R]}_{\leftarrow} [I_4] \underbrace{[I_5^R]}_{\leftarrow} [I_6]$ . then the language of valid halting computations—by a given TM  $M$  on some input  $x$ —becomes an intersection  $L(D_1) \cap L(D_2)$  of two DCFLs. The DPs  $D_1$  checks  $I_t \vdash_m I_{t+1}$  for even  $t$ , while (given  $I_t, I_{t+1}^R$ ) is mostly like checking marked palindrome except for the one or two places where  $M$  made changes according to  $I_t$ 's. And check last ID has  $q_{acc}$

$D_2$  checks  $I_t \vdash_m I_{t+1}$  for odd  $t$ . Checking  $I_t \vdash_m I_{t+1}^R$

Then  $M \in E_{TM} \equiv L(M) = \emptyset \Leftrightarrow M$  has no valid accepting comp's  
 $\Leftrightarrow L(D_1) \cap L(D_2) = \emptyset$   
 $\Leftrightarrow \sim(L(D_1) \cap L(D_2)) = \widetilde{L(D_1)} \cup \widetilde{L(D_2)} = \Sigma^*$ .

Now  $\widetilde{L(D_1)} \cup \widetilde{L(D_2)}$  is the union of two DCFLs, hence it is a CFL. By chaining theorems in the text, we can build a CFG  $G$  for it. And "we can build" means there is a computable function  $f$  such that  $f(\langle M \rangle) = \langle G \rangle$ . Thus  $E_{TM} \leq_m \text{ALL}_{\text{CFG}}$ .

• P and NP are like DEC and RE under polynomial-time reductions  $\leq_m^P$ . But we don't know if  $NP \neq$