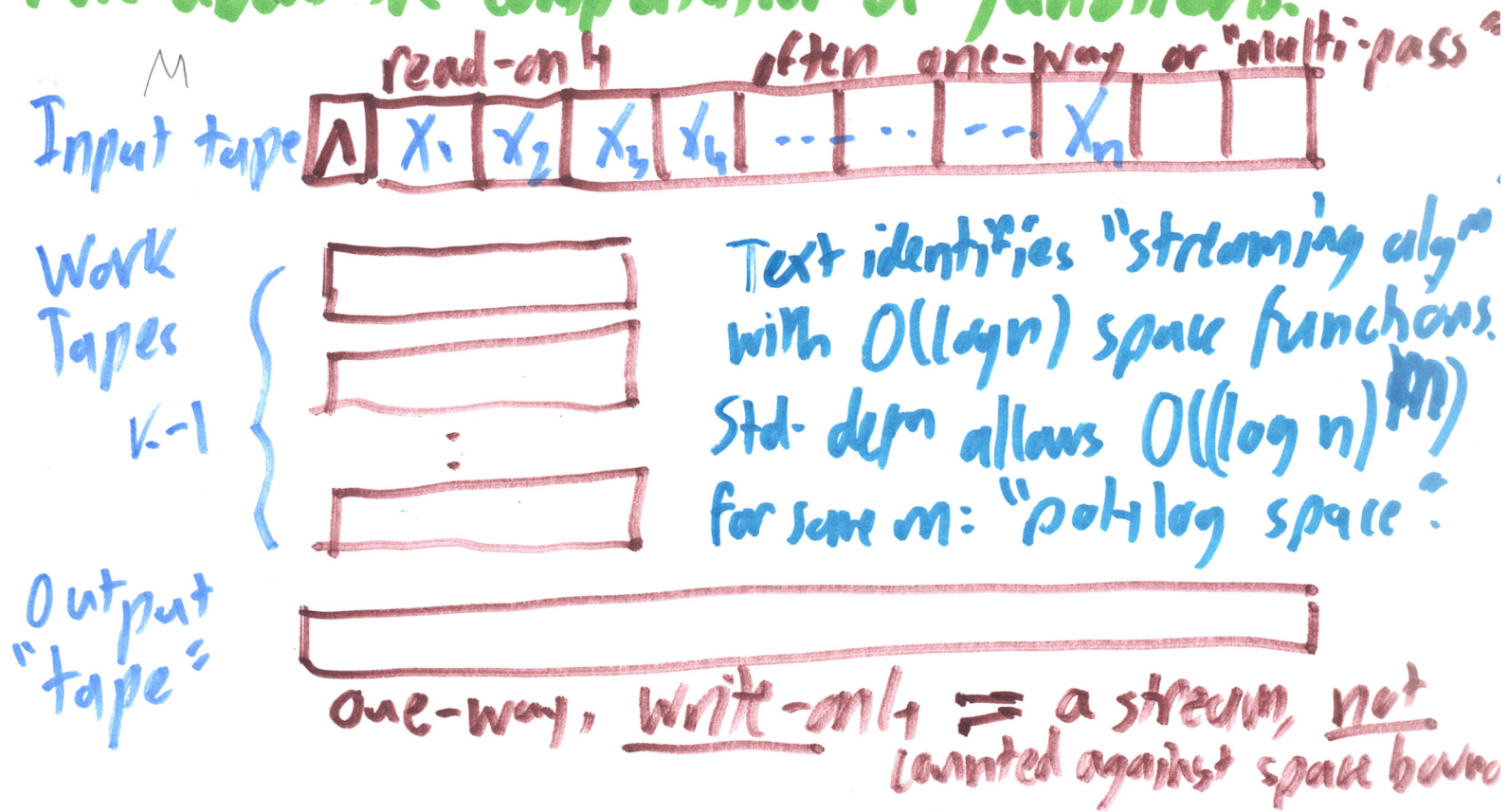


CSES96 Lecture Fri 10/5 Fall 2018

For any languages  $A, B \subseteq \Sigma^*$ , write  $A \leq_m B$  (m for "many-one" or "mapping") if there is a computable function  $f: \Sigma^* \rightarrow \Sigma^*$  st.

for all  $x$ ,  $x \in A \Leftrightarrow f(x) \in B$ . If  $f$  is polynomial-time computable we write  $A \leq_m^P B$ . If log-space computable, write  $A \leq_m^{log} B$  etc.

Note about the computation of functions.



Example:  $K_{TM} = \{ \langle x \rangle : x \text{ codes } M \text{ st. } M \text{ accepts } x \}$

Then  $A_{TM} = \{ \langle M, x \rangle : M \text{ accepts } x \}$ .

$K_{TM} \leq_m A_{TM}$  via the mapping  $f(x) = \langle x, x \rangle$

NE<sub>TM</sub>: Instance: A DTM  $M$ .

Question: Is  $L(M) \neq \emptyset$ ?

I.e.  $(\exists x, M \text{ accepts } x)$ ?

As a language:

$NE_{TM} = \{ \langle M \rangle : L(M) \neq \emptyset \}$ .

undecidable

Theorem:  $NE_{TM} \not\leq_m$  l.e. but  $A_{TM} \leq_m NE_{TM}$  so it is

Proof: "Is ce.": Imagine an NM  $N$  that on input  $\langle M \rangle$  guesses a string  $x$  and accepts if and when  $M$  accepts  $x$ . runs  $M(x)$ , then  $L(N) = NE_{TM}$

can't convert  $N$  to DTM, so  $NE_{TM}$  is c.e.

Reduction: Map from  $A_{TM}$  instances

Map <sup>codes of</sup> to single machines  $\langle M' \rangle$  which are instances of the  $NE_{TM}$  problem

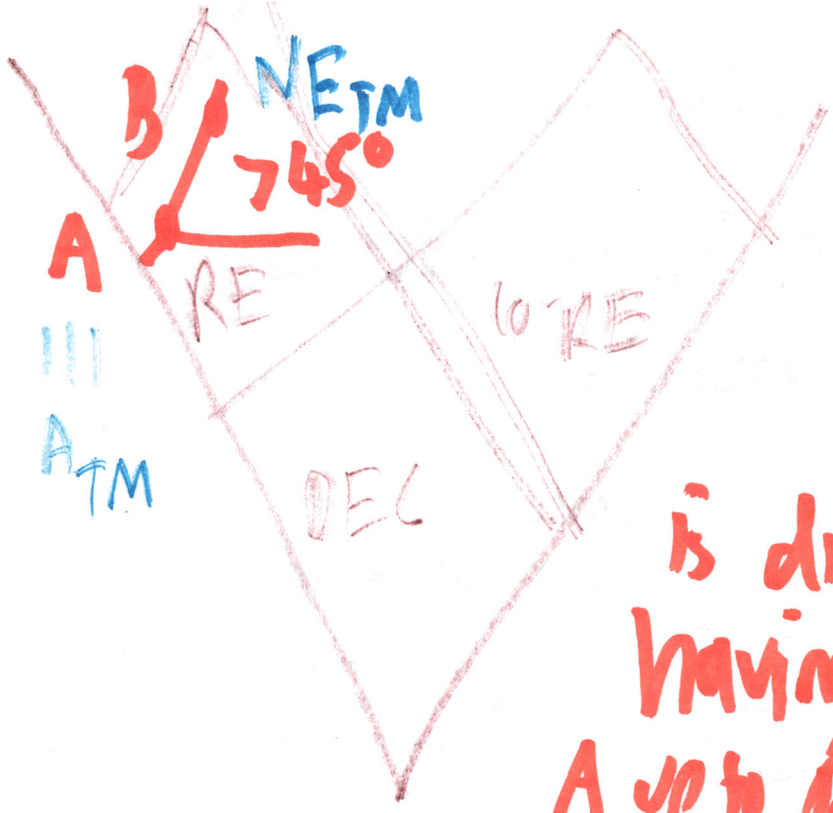
$\langle M, x \rangle \xrightarrow{f} M' : \downarrow \text{input } y$

Then  $\langle M, x \rangle \in A_{TM} \iff M \text{ accepts } x \implies \langle M' \rangle \in NE_{TM}$

$\implies M' \text{ accepts every } y \implies L(M') = \Sigma^* \implies L(M') \neq \emptyset$

but  $\langle M, x \rangle \notin A_{TM} \implies \forall y M'(y) \text{ never can accept}$   
 $\implies f(\langle M, x \rangle) = \langle M' \rangle \notin NE_{TM}$ . So  $A_{TM} \leq_m NE_{TM}$ .

**Simulate  $M(x)$**   
if and when  $M$  accepts  $x$   
**Accept  $y$ .**



Convention:  
The relation  
 $A \leq_m^{\text{P or log}} B$

is diagrammed by  
having the angle from  
A up to B be at least as  
steep as the cone walls

Monday Preview: This will follow from the  
"Reduction Theorem": Suppose  $A \leq_m^{(?)}$  B.  
Then:

- If B is decidable then A is decidable
- B is c.e.  $\Rightarrow$  A is c.e.
- B is co-c.e.  $\Rightarrow$  A is co-c.e.

And when we know  $A \leq_m^P B$ :

- $B \in P \Rightarrow A \in P$
- $B \in NP \Rightarrow A \in NP$
- $B \in coNP \Rightarrow A \in coNP$
- $B \in COMP \Rightarrow A \in COMP$

