

Recall From Last Time

Busy Beaver Function, $\sigma(n)$, grows faster than any total, recursive function.

Universal Turing Machine, $U(P(n, m)) = M_n(m)$.

HALT = $\{P(n, m) \mid M_n(m) \text{ halts}\} \in \mathbf{r.e.} - \mathbf{Recursive}$

Listing of all r.e. sets: W_0, W_1, W_2, \dots W_i is the i^{th} r.e. set

$$W_i = \{n \mid M_i(n) = 1\} = \mathcal{L}(M_i)$$

$$K = \{n \mid M_n(n) = 1\} = \{n \mid U(P(n, n)) = 1\}$$

$$= \{n \mid n \in W_n\} \in \mathbf{r.e.} - \mathbf{Recursive}$$

Notation: $M_n(x) \downarrow$ means that TM M_n **converges** on input x ,

i.e., $M_n(x) \downarrow \Leftrightarrow M_n(x) \in \mathbf{N} \Leftrightarrow M_n(x) \neq \nearrow$

Fundamental Theorem of r.e. Sets: Let $S \subseteq \mathbf{N}$. T.F.A.E.

1. S is the domain of a partial, recursive function,

i.e., for some $n \in \mathbf{N}$,
$$S = \{x \in \mathbf{N} \mid M_n(x) \downarrow\}$$

2. $S = \emptyset$ or S is the range of a total, recursive function,

i.e., for some total, recursive $M_m(\cdot)$,
$$S = \emptyset \text{ or } S = M_m(\mathbf{N})$$

3. S is the range of a partial, recursive function,

i.e., for some $r \in \mathbf{N}$,
$$S = M_r(\mathbf{N})$$

4. S is r.e.,

i.e., for some $t \in \mathbf{N}$,
$$S = W_t,$$

$$S = \{x \mid M_n(x) \downarrow\} \Rightarrow S = \emptyset \vee \exists m (S = M_m(\mathbf{N}))$$

case 1: $S = \emptyset$. Thus S satisfies (2). ✓

case 2: $S \neq \emptyset$. let $a_0 \in S$.

Build TM M_m , which on input z does the following:

1. $x := L(z); y := R(z)$ // i.e., $z = P(x, y)$
2. run $M_n(x)$ for y steps
3. **if it converges then return**(x)
4. **else return**(a_0)

Claim: $S = M_m(\mathbf{N}) : M_m(\mathbf{N}) \subseteq S$ ✓

$M_m(\mathbf{N}) \supseteq S$: Suppose $x \in S$.

Thus $M_n(x)$ converges in some number y of steps.

Therefore, $M_m(P(x, y)) = x$. ✓

Non-computable step in construction: no way to tell if we are in **case 1** or **case 2**.

$$S = \emptyset \text{ or } S = M_m(\mathbf{N}) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \exists r(S = M_r(\mathbf{N}))$$

If $S = \emptyset$ then $S = M_0(\mathbf{N})$ where M_0 is a Turing machine that halts on no inputs. $r := 0$

Otherwise, $S = M_m(\mathbf{N})$, i.e., S is the range of the partial, recursive function $M_m(\cdot)$. $r := m$

Note: Even though $M_m(\cdot)$ is total, it is still considered a **partial, recursive function**. However, of course, $M_m(\cdot)$ is not **strictly partial**.

$$S = M_r(\mathbf{N}) \Rightarrow \exists t(S = W_t)$$

Construct TM M_t , which on input x does the following:

1. **for** $i := 1$ **to** ∞ {
2. run $M_r(0), M_r(1), \dots, M_r(i)$ for i steps each.
3. **if** any of these output x , **then return(1)}**

above construction called **dove-tailing**

Claim: $M_r(\mathbf{N}) = \mathcal{L}(M_t)$.

Suppose $x \in M_r(\mathbf{N})$, i.e., $M_r(j) = x$, for some j ,
computation takes k steps, for some k

At round $i = \max(j, k)$, $M_t(x)$ will halt and output “1”. ✓

Suppose $x \notin M_r(\mathbf{N})$, then $M_t(x)$ will never halt. ✓

$$S = W_t \quad \Rightarrow \quad \exists n(S = \{x \in \mathbf{N} \mid M_n(x) \downarrow\})$$

Construct TM M_n , which on input x does the following:

1. run $M_t(x)$
2. **if** ($M_t(x) = 1$) **then return(1)**
3. **else run forever**

Recall that, $S = W_t = \mathcal{L}(M_t)$

Thus, $S = \text{dom}(M_n(\cdot)) = \{x \mid M_n(x) \downarrow\}$. □

Please learn the above proof: it's constructions are central to recursive function theory.

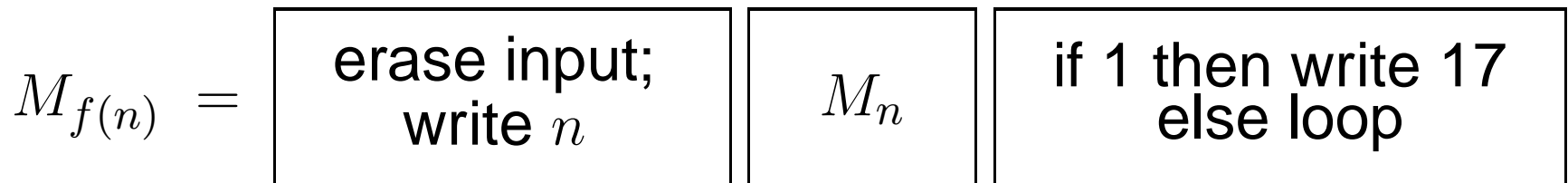
Reductions

Def. We say that S is **reducible** to T ($S \leq T$) iff there exists total, recursive f , $\forall w \in \mathbf{N} (w \in S \Leftrightarrow f(w) \in T)$.

Note: Later we will require $f \in F(\mathbf{DSPACE}[\log n])$.

Claim: $K \leq A_{0,17} = \{n \mid M_n(0) = 17\}$

Proof: Define $f(n)$ as follows:



$$n \in K \Leftrightarrow M_n(n) = 1 \Leftrightarrow M_{f(n)}(0) = 17 \Leftrightarrow f(n) \in A_{0,17}$$

Note: f inputs program n and outputs program $f(n)$.

Fundamental Th. of Reductions: If $S \leq T$, then,

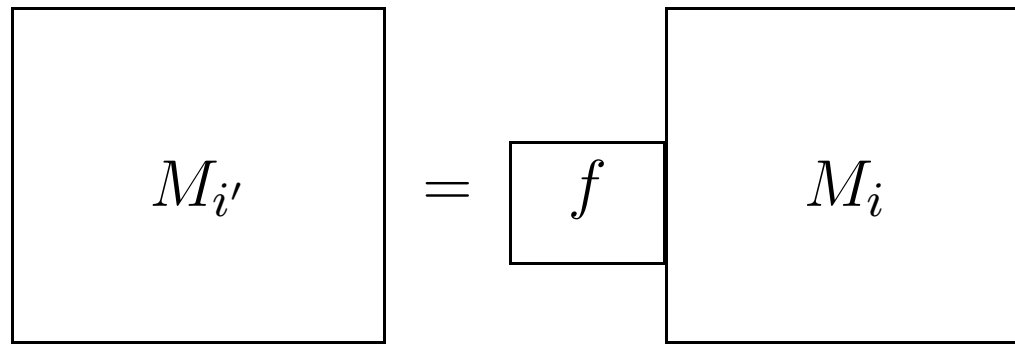
1. If T is r.e., then S is r.e..
2. If T is co-r.e., then S is co-r.e..
3. If T is **Recursive**, then S is **Recursive**.

Proof:

$$S \leq T \wedge T \in \mathbf{r.e.} \Rightarrow S \in \mathbf{r.e.}$$

Let $f : S \leq T$, i.e., $\forall x(x \in S \Leftrightarrow f(x) \in T)$, $T = W_i$.

From M_i compute the TM $M_{i'}$ which on input x does the following: (a). compute $f(x)$; (b) run $M_i(f(x))$



$$(x \in S) \Leftrightarrow (f(x) \in T) \Leftrightarrow (M_i(f(x)) = 1) \Leftrightarrow (M_{i'}(x) = 1)$$

Therefore, $S = W_{i'}$, and S is r.e. as desired.

$$f : S \leq T, \text{ i.e. } \forall x(x \in S \Leftrightarrow f(x) \in T)$$

$$\text{Observation: } f : S \leq T \Leftrightarrow f : \bar{S} \leq \bar{T}.$$

$$\text{Thus, } T \in \text{CO-r.e.} \Rightarrow \bar{T} \in \text{r.e.} \Rightarrow \bar{S} \in \text{r.e.} \Rightarrow S \in \text{CO-r.e.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T \in \text{Recursive} &\Rightarrow (T \in \text{r.e.} \wedge T \in \text{CO-r.e.}) \Rightarrow \\ (S \in \text{r.e.} \wedge S \in \text{CO-r.e.}) &\Rightarrow S \in \text{Recursive} \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

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3. If T is **Recursive**, then S is **Recursive**.

Moral: Suppose $S \leq T$. Then,

- If T is easy, then so is S .
- If S is hard, then so is T .

Def. Let $C \subseteq \mathbf{N}$. C is **r.e.-complete** iff

1. $C \in \mathbf{r.e.}$, and
2. $\forall A \in \mathbf{r.e.} (A \leq C)$

Intuition: C is a “hardest” r.e. set.

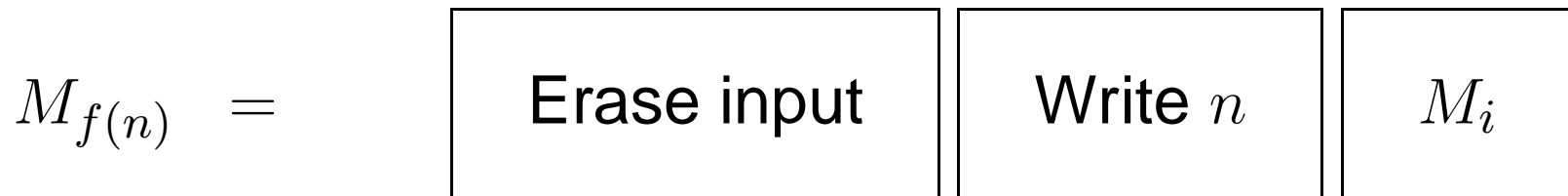
Th: K is r.e. complete.

Proof: We already know that K is r.e.

Let A be an arbitrary r.e. set, i.e., $A = W_i$ for some i .

Wanted: total recursive f , s.t.: $\forall n(n \in A \Leftrightarrow f(n) \in K)$

Define total, recursive f which on input n computes:



$M_{f(n)}$ ignores its input and instead runs $M_i(n)$.

$$n \in A \Leftrightarrow M_i(n) = 1 \Leftrightarrow \forall x(M_{f(n)}(x) = 1)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow M_{f(n)}(f(n)) = 1 \Leftrightarrow f(n) \in K \quad \checkmark$$

Prop: Suppose C is r.e.-complete and:

1. $S \in \mathbf{r.e.}$, and
2. $C \leq S$

then S is r.e.-complete.

Proof: Show: $\forall A \in \mathbf{r.e.} (A \leq S)$

Know: $\forall A \in \mathbf{r.e.} (A \leq C)$

Follows by transitivity of \leq : $A \leq C \leq S$. □

Cor: $A_{0,17}$ is r.e.-complete.

Every r.e.-complete set is r.e. and not recursive.

Prop: $\text{HALT} = \{P(n, m) \mid M_n(m) \text{ halts}\}$ is r.e.-complete.

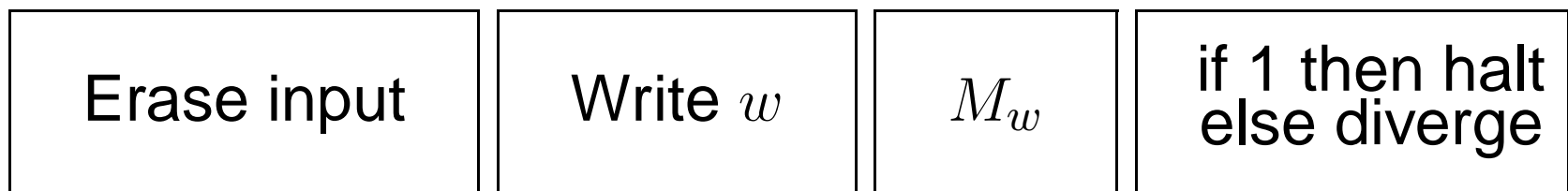
Proof: Already seen HALT is r.e.. Must show $K \leq \text{HALT}$.

Wanted: total, recursive f s.t. $\forall w (w \in K \Leftrightarrow f(w) \in \text{HALT})$

$$M_w(w) = 1 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad M_{L(f(w))}(R(f(w))) \text{ halts}$$

$$M_w(w) = 1 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad M_\ell(r) \text{ halts, where } f(w) = P(\ell, r)$$

Given w , let, $M_{\ell(w)} =$



Letting $f(w) = P(\ell(w), 0)$, we have that

$$M_w(w) = 1 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad M_{\ell(w)}(0) \text{ halts} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad f(w) \in \text{HALT} \quad \square$$

