

Def: **DTIME**, **NTIME**, **DSPACE**, measured on **Multi-tape Turing Machines**.

Th: $\mathbf{DTIME}[t(n)] \subseteq \mathbf{RAM-TIME}[t(n)] \subseteq \mathbf{DTIME}[(t(n))^3]$

$$\mathbf{L} \equiv \mathbf{DSPACE}[\log n]$$

$$\mathbf{P} \equiv \mathbf{DTIME}[n^{O(1)}] \equiv \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbf{DTIME}[n^i]$$

$$\mathbf{NP} \equiv \mathbf{NTIME}[n^{O(1)}] \equiv \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbf{NTIME}[n^i]$$

$$\mathbf{PSPACE} \equiv \mathbf{DSPACE}[n^{O(1)}] \equiv \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbf{DSPACE}[n^i]$$

Th: For $t(n) \geq n$, $s(n) \geq \log n$,

$$\mathbf{DTIME}[t(n)] \subseteq \mathbf{NTIME}[t(n)] \subseteq \mathbf{DSPACE}[t(n)]$$

$$\mathbf{DSPACE}[s(n)] \subseteq \mathbf{DTIME}[2^{O(s(n))}]$$

Cor: $\mathbf{L} \subseteq \mathbf{P} \subseteq \mathbf{NP} \subseteq \mathbf{PSPACE}$

Definition 6.1 The *busy beaver function* $\sigma(n)$ is the maximum number of one's that an n state TM with alphabet $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ can leave on its tape and halt when started on the all 0 tape. (To fit our definitions, note that "0" is now the "blank character".) ♠

Note that $\sigma(n)$ is well defined:

There are only finitely many n -state TMs, with $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$.

Some finite subset, F_n , of these eventually halt on input 0.

Some element of F_n prints the max # of 1's = $\sigma(n)$.

	q_1	q_2	q_3
0	$q_2, 1, \rightarrow$	$q_3, 0, \rightarrow$	$q_3, 1, \leftarrow$
1	$h, 1, -$	$q_2, 1, \rightarrow$	$q_1, 1, \leftarrow$

$$\sigma(3) \geq 6$$

q_1	0	0	0	0	0	0
q_2	0	1	0	0	0	0
q_3	0	1	0	0	0	0
q_3	0	1	0	1	0	0
q_3	0	1	1	1	0	0
q_1	0	1	1	1	0	0
q_2	1	1	1	1	0	0
q_2	1	1	1	1	0	0
q_2	1	1	1	1	0	0
q_2	1	1	1	1	0	0
q_3	1	1	1	1	0	0
q_3	1	1	1	1	0	1
q_3	1	1	1	1	1	0
q_1	1	1	1	1	1	0
h	1	1	1	1	1	0

How quickly does $\sigma(n)$ grow as n gets large?

$$\text{Is } \sigma(n) \in O(n^2) \quad ?$$

$$O(n^3) \quad ?$$

$$O(2^n) \quad ?$$

$$O(n!) \quad ?$$

$$O(2^{2^n}) \quad ?$$

$$O(\text{exp}^*(n)) \quad ?$$

$$O(\text{exp}^*(\text{exp}^*(n))) \quad ?$$

$$\text{exp}^*(n) = 2^{\left. \begin{matrix} 2^{\dots 2} \\ \vdots \\ 2 \end{matrix} \right\} n}$$

States	Max # of 1's	Lower Bound for $\sigma(n)$
3	$\sigma(3)$	6
4	$\sigma(4)$	13
5	$\sigma(5)$	≥ 4098
6	$\sigma(6)$	$> 10^{865}$

See the web pages of Penousal Machado (eden.dei.uc.pt) and Heiner Marxen (www.drb.insel.de/heiner/BB) for more on this problem and its variants.

Theorem 6.2 *Let $f : \mathbf{N} \rightarrow \mathbf{N}$ be a total, recursive function.*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{f(n)}{\sigma(n)} \right) = 0$$

That is, $f(n) = o(\sigma(n))$.

Proof:

$$g(n) = n \cdot \left(1 + \sum_{i=0}^n f(i) \right)$$

Note:

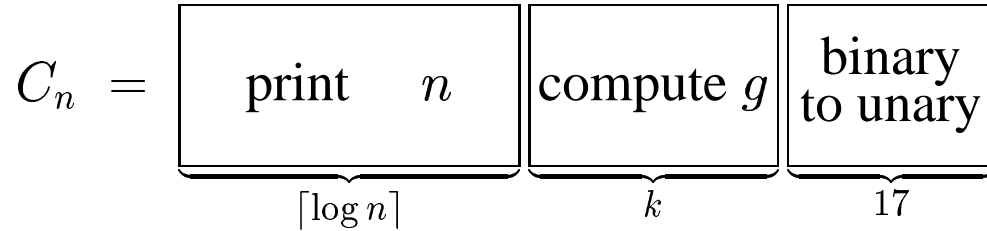
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \right) = 0$$

We will show for all sufficiently large n ,

$$\sigma(n) \geq g(n)$$

$g(n)$ is computed by a k -state TM for some k .

For any n , define the TM



C_n has $\lceil \log n \rceil + k + 17$ states.

C_n prints $g(n)$ 1's.

Once n is big enough that $n \geq \lceil \log n \rceil + k + 17$,

$$\sigma(n) \geq \sigma(\lceil \log n \rceil + k + 17) \geq g(n)$$



On HW#2, we define a pairing function:

$$P : \mathbf{N} \times \mathbf{N} \xrightarrow{1:1} \mathbf{N}$$

onto

$$P(L(w), R(w)) = w$$

$$L(P(i, j)) = i$$

$$R(P(i, j)) = j$$

We can use the pairing function to think of a natural number as a pair of natural numbers.

Thus, the input to a Turing machine is a single binary string which may be thought of as a natural number, a pair of natural numbers, a triple of natural numbers, and so forth. (Later we will worry about the complexity of the pairing and string-conversion functions – do you think they are in **L**)?

Turing machines can be encoded as **character strings** which can be encoded as **binary strings** which can be encoded as **natural numbers**.

TM_n	1	2	3	4
0	1, 0, \rightarrow	3, \sqcup , \rightarrow	0, 0, $-$	0, 0, $-$
1	1, 1, \rightarrow	4, \sqcup , \rightarrow	0, 1, $-$	0, 1, $-$
\sqcup	2, \sqcup , \leftarrow	0, \sqcup , $-$	1, 0, \leftarrow	1, 1, \leftarrow
\triangleright	1, \triangleright , \rightarrow	0, \triangleright , $-$	0, \triangleright , $-$	0, \triangleright , $-$

ASCII: 1, 0, \rightarrow ; 1, 1, \rightarrow ; 2, \sqcup , \leftarrow ; 1, \triangleright , \rightarrow ; ; \cdots 0, \triangleright , $-$

$\{0, 1\}^*$: w

\mathbf{N} : n

There is a simple, countable listing of all TM's:

$$M_0, M_1, M_2, \cdots$$

Theorem 6.3 *There is a Universal Turing Machine U such that,*

$$U(\langle n, m \rangle) = M_n(m)$$

Proof: Given $\langle n, m \rangle$, compute n and m . n is a binary string encoding the state table of TM M_n . We can simulate M_n on input m by keeping track of its state, its tape, and looking at its state table, n , at each simulated step. ♠

Let's look at $L(U)$, the set of numbers $P(n, m)$ such that the Turing machine M_n eventually halts on input n . We'll call this language HALT. The existence of U proves that HALT is r.e., and we'll now show it's not recursive.

$$\text{HALT} = \{P(n, m) \mid \text{TM } M_n(m) \text{ eventually halts}\}$$

Theorem 6.4 (Unsolvability of the Halting Problem)

HALT is r.e. but not recursive.

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{HALT} &= \{w \mid U(w) \text{ eventually halts}\} \\ &= \{w \mid U'(w) = 1\} \end{aligned}$$

$$U' = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline U & \text{erase tape} & \text{print 1} \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Suppose HALT were recursive. Then $\sigma(n)$ would be a total recursive function: Cycle through all n -state TMs, M_i , and if $P(i, 0) \in \text{HALT}$, then count the number of 1's in $M_i(0)$. Return the maximum of these. But $\sigma(n)$ isn't total recursive, so we have a contradiction.



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

The set of all r.e. sets = W_0, W_1, W_2, \dots

n	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	\dots	W_n
0	$\boxed{0}$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\dots	W_0
1	1	$\boxed{1}$	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\dots	W_1
2	1	0	$\boxed{1}$	0	1	0	1	0	1	\dots	W_2
3	0	1	0	$\boxed{1}$	0	1	0	1	0	\dots	W_3
4	1	0	0	0	$\boxed{0}$	0	0	0	0	\dots	W_4
5	0	1	1	0	1	$\boxed{0}$	0	0	1	\dots	W_5
6	1	0	0	1	0	0	$\boxed{1}$	0	0	\dots	W_6
7	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	$\boxed{0}$	0	\dots	W_7
8	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	$\boxed{0}$	\dots	W_8
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\dots	\vdots
	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	\dots	K
	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	\dots	\overline{K}

$$\begin{aligned}
 K &= \{n \mid M_n(n) = 1\} \\
 &= \{n \mid U(P(n, n)) = 1\} \\
 &= \{n \mid n \in W_n\}
 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 6.5 \bar{K} is not r.e.

Proof: $\bar{K} = \{n \mid n \notin W_n\}$

Suppose \bar{K} were r.e. Then for some c ,

$$\bar{K} = W_c = \{n \mid M_c(n) = 1\}$$

$$c \in K \Leftrightarrow M_c(c) = 1 \Leftrightarrow c \in W_c \Leftrightarrow c \in \bar{K}$$



Corollary 6.6 $K \in \text{r.e.} - \text{Recursive}$