

Definition 1. A **Turing Machine** is a 7-tuple

$$M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta, q_0, q_{accept}, q_{reject})$$

Where Q is the finite set of states, Σ is the input alphabet, Γ is the tape alphabet ($\sqcup \in \Gamma$ and $\Sigma \subset \Gamma$), δ is the transition function ($\delta : Q \times \Gamma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma \times \{L, R\}$), q_0 is the initial state, and q_{accept} and q_{reject} are the accept and reject states.

1	0	1	0	...	1	\sqcup	1	...
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Definition 2. If $A \subset \Sigma^*$ is a language, we say a Turing Machine (TM) M **recognizes** A if for all $w \in \Sigma^*$

$$M \text{ accepts } w \Leftrightarrow w \in A.$$

Definition 3. A language A is **recognizable** if there exists a TM which recognizes it.

Example 1. Let

$$EVEN = \{string w_n \dots w_1 \text{ in binary} | n \in \mathbb{Z}, n = \sum w_i 2^i \text{ is even}\}$$

Design a TM that recognizes $EVEN$.

Algorithm:

1. If it reads a symbol that's not \sqcup move to the right and repeat rule 1
2. If it reads \sqcup move to the left and read that symbol

Example 2. Let

$$NOTPRIME = \{n \in \mathbb{Z}, n > 0 \text{ in binary which are not prime}\} = \{1, 4, 6, 8, 9, \dots\}$$

Design a TM that recognizes $EVEN$.

Algorithm:

1. Set $i = 2$
2. Divide the input n by i , if it divides and $i \neq n$, accept, otherwise, $i = i + 2$ and repeat rule 2

This TM recognizes $NOTPRIME$, but does not necessarily reject on $NOTPRIME^c$.

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Let $A \subset \Sigma^*$:

Definition 4. A TM M **recognizes** A if for all $w \in \Sigma^*$

$$M \text{ accepts } w \Leftrightarrow w \in A$$

Definition 5. A TM M **decides** A if for all $w \in \Sigma^*$

$$M \text{ accepts } w \Leftrightarrow w \in A$$

$$M \text{ rejects } w \Leftrightarrow w \notin A$$

Definition 6. A TM with **multiple tapes** has multiple tapes and multiple heads

Theorem 1. *A TM with multiple tapes is equivalent to a TM with 1 tape*

Definition 7. A **non-deterministic** Turing Machine is similar to a TM, but at every step the machine can proceed in multiple ways simultaneously. i.e., “it can perform multiple branches at the same time.”

Definition 8. A **power set** of a set S $\mathcal{P}(S)$ is set of subset of S . E.g.,

$$\mathcal{P}(\{0, 1, 2\}) = \{\{\}, \{0\}, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{0, 1\}, \{0, 2\}, \{1, 2\}, \{0, 1, 2\}\}$$

Example 3 (How an Non-Deterministic Turing Machine (NDTM) operates).

γ_0	0	1	0	...	1	...
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with the q_0 at γ_0 and $\delta(q_0, \gamma_0) \rightarrow \{(q_1, \gamma_1, L \text{ or } R), \dots, (q_n, \gamma_n, L \text{ or } R)\}$. Thus it goes from 1 to n branches in a single step. This can obviously grow exponentially.

Example 4. Let's design an efficient NDTM which recognizes NOTPRIME.

Given input n

- Let $i = 2$.
- For each possibility, divide n by corresponding integer. If it divides accept, otherwise $i = i + 1$ and repeat step 2.