

Lecture 18:

- HW/4 due Thursday at 11 am

↳ only 1 late HW!!!

- See the exercises solutions

- For the proofs of decidable / recognizable
/ undecidable

(1) If input $\in L$, then accept

(2) If input $\notin L$, then doesn't accept
/ reject

Today: chapter 4.2 + 5.1

Goal: A_{TM} is not decidable

Idea: there are more languages than TMs

A simple question:

$$\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$$

$$S = \{2, 4, 6, 8, 10, \dots\}$$

$\mathbb{N}$

do these 2 sets have the same size?

Defn: A set S is countable if there exists an injective map from S to $\mathbb{N}$.

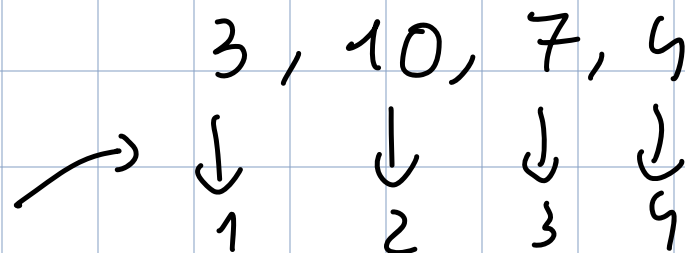
Injective : $f(x) = f(y) \Rightarrow x = y$

never have two different elements mapped to the same thing.

(1) Finite sets are countable

Ex: $S = \{3, 10, 7, 4\}$

$f: S \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$



Idea: a set S is countable if you can make a list where every element in S appears exactly once.

(2) Examples of infinite countable sets

$$\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$0, 1, -1, 2, -2, 3, -3, \dots$$

A countable set is either finite or it has the same size as $\mathbb{N}$

Other example: all pairs $(i, j) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$

	1	2	3
1	(1,1)	(1,2)	(1,3)
2	(2,1)	(2,2)	
3	(3,1)		

(1,1), (1,2), (2,1),
(1,3) ...

$\mathbb{Q} = \left\{ \frac{n}{m} \mid n, m \in \mathbb{N} \right\}$, also countable.

Assume $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$

Idea: set of all TMs is countable.

For each TM, can represent it as a string $\langle M \rangle$

We can order all $\langle M \rangle$ in lexicographic order
 $\hookrightarrow \epsilon, 0, 1, 00, 01, 10, 11, \dots$

get an enumeration $\langle M_1 \rangle, \langle M_2 \rangle, \langle M_3 \rangle, \dots$

$\hookrightarrow$ every TM has its description in this list.

$\hookrightarrow$ can then order all TMs as

$M_1, M_2, M_3, \dots$

The set of all languages over $\{0,1\}$ is
NOT countable.

More languages than TMs. So $\exists$ some language

L , such that no TM has $L(M) = L$

$\hookrightarrow$ there are some languages which are
not recognizable.

$\rightarrow$ to prove this: use DIAGONALIZATION

Cantor: showed $\mathbb{R}$ is not countable

↳ real numbers

We will show that

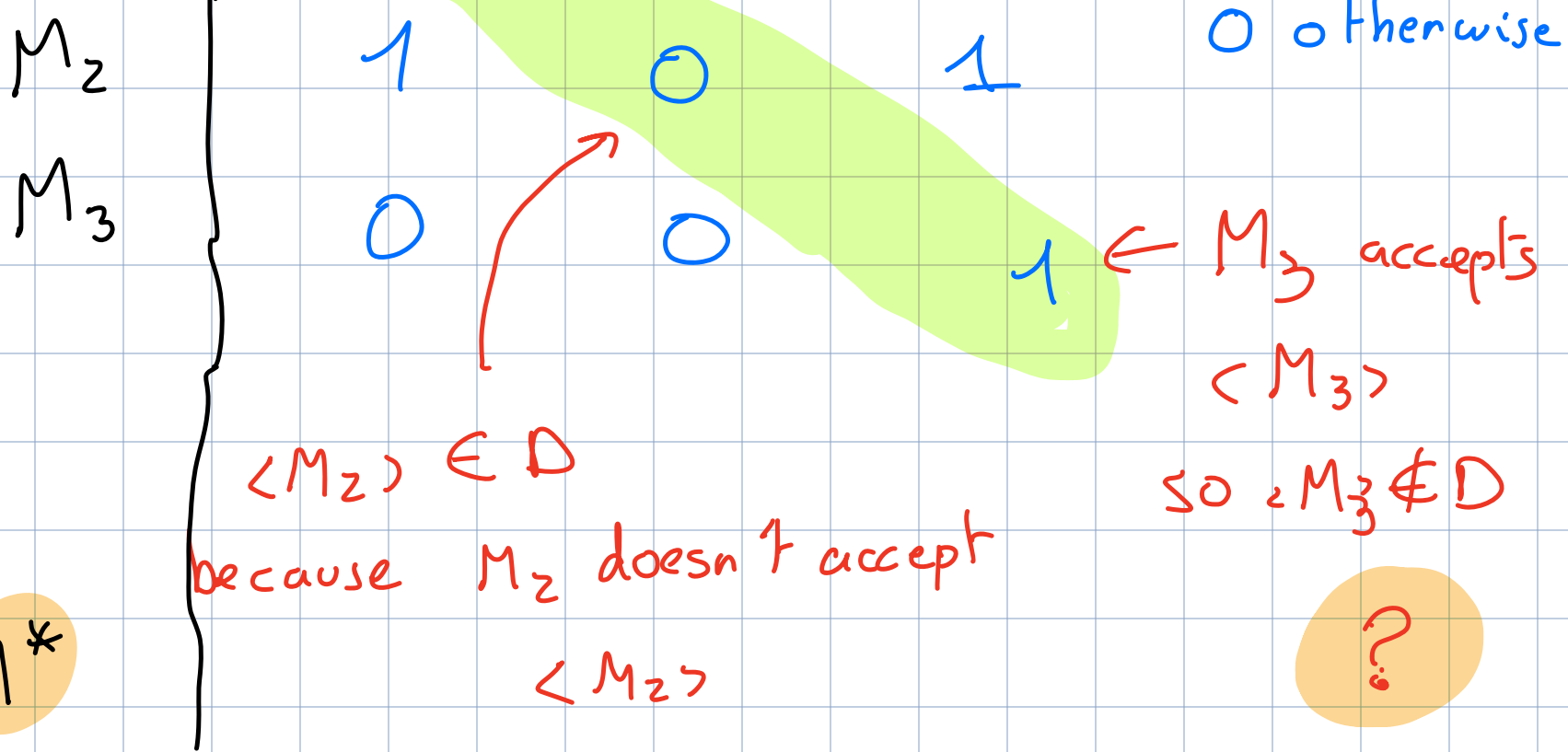
$D = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM and it doesn't accept } \langle M \rangle \}$
diagonal language.

is not recognizable

W.T.S: no TM M^* has $L(M^*) = D$

Proof:

	$\langle M_1 \rangle$	$\langle M_2 \rangle$	$\langle M_3 \rangle$	M^*
M_1	1	0	1	1 if M_1 accepts $\langle M_3 \rangle$



Assume for contradiction $L(M^*) = D$

$D = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM and it doesn't accept } \langle M \rangle \}$

(1) If M^* accepts $\langle M^* \rangle$ then, $\langle M^* \rangle \notin D$
 so M^* should not accept $\langle M^* \rangle$

Since $L(M^*) = D$, M^* should not
accept $\langle M^* \rangle \notin D$

(2) If M^* doesn't accept $\langle M^* \rangle$

$\langle M^* \rangle \in D$ (by definition of D)

since $L(M^*) = D$, M^* accepts $\langle M^* \rangle$

contradiction

No matter what M^* does on $\langle M^* \rangle$ we
get a contradiction. So there doesn't

exist a TM M^* with $L(M^*) = D$

$\hookrightarrow D$ is not recognizable!

Back to A_{TM}

$$D = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM and it doesn't accept } \langle M \rangle \}$$

$$\tilde{D} = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM \& it accepts } \langle M \rangle \}$$

$$\bar{D} = \tilde{D} \cup \{ w \mid w \text{ isn't of the form } \langle M \rangle \}$$

$\tilde{D}$ is decidable iff $\bar{D}$ is recognizable

Punchline: D is not recognizable

$\Rightarrow \bar{D}$ is not decidable

$\Rightarrow \tilde{D}$ is not decidable

IF $\bar{D}$ is decidable,
 D is decidable

(1) $\tilde{D}$ is recognizable

Now we show $\tilde{D} \leq_T A_{TM}$, since $\tilde{D}$ is not decidable A_{TM} is not decidable.

Assume we have a decider N for A_{TM} , we build a decider M' for $\tilde{D}$.

$\tilde{D} = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ is a TM \& it accepts } \langle M \rangle \}$

Proof of correctness:

- clearly M' always halts

(1) If $\langle M \rangle \in \tilde{D}$, then M accepts $\langle M \rangle$
 $\langle M, \langle M \rangle \rangle$ is in A_{TM} , so N accepts
on line (1), so M' accepts.

(2) If $\langle M \rangle \notin \tilde{D}$, then M does not accept
 $\langle M \rangle$, so $\langle M, \langle M \rangle \rangle \notin A_{TM}$, so N
rejects on line (1), so M' rejects.

So M' decides $\tilde{D}$, so $\tilde{D} \leq_T A_{TM}$.

$L = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ accepts every string starting with } 11 \}$

We show $A_{TM} \leq_T L$, so L is not decidable because A_{TM} is not decidable

Let N be a decider for L , we build decider D for A_{TM} .

D: on input $\langle M, w \rangle$

(1) Let M' be the following TM:

(a) On input x :

(b) If x doesn't start with 11 : reject

(c) Else:

(d) run M on w $\leftarrow$ stuck here
if M loops on w

(e) if M accepts : accept x

(f) if M rejects : reject x

(2) Run N on $\langle M' \rangle$ $\leftarrow$ accept or reject
since N is a decider

(3) If N accepted : accept

(4) If N rejected : reject

We now prove this is a decider for A_{TM} , clearly D always halts.

(1) M' rejects every string that does not start with 11 .

(2) Let x start with 11 , we have 3 cases:

M loops on w : M' loops on x on line (d)

M rejects w : M' rejects x on line (f)

M accepts w : M' accepts x on line (e)

So: If M accepts w : $L(M') = \{x \mid x \text{ starts with } 1\}$

So $\langle M' \rangle \in L$

If M doesn't accept w : $L(M') = \emptyset$

So $\langle M' \rangle \notin L$

Hence we have

(1) If $\langle M, w \rangle \in A_{TM}$, then M accepts w

So $\langle M' \rangle \in L$.

so N accepts on line 2

So D accepts $\langle M, w \rangle$

(2) If $\langle M, w \rangle \notin A_{TM}$, then M

doesn't accept w , so $\langle M' \rangle \notin L$

so N rejects on line 2

So D rejects (M, w)

So D decides A_{TM} , so $A_{TM} \leq_T L$
as claimed.