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Today:

LanguageRecBy: \sum_{ASCII}^* \rightarrow Power(\sum_{ASCII}^*)

(Python Algorithm) \mapsto (Language recognized by the algorithm)

$p \mapsto \text{LanguageRecBy}(p)$

Using this + Cantor's Theorem
we build a language that is
unrecognizable, i.e. not
recognized by any algorithm.

Homework'

You can (1) use LaTeX

(2) write clearly

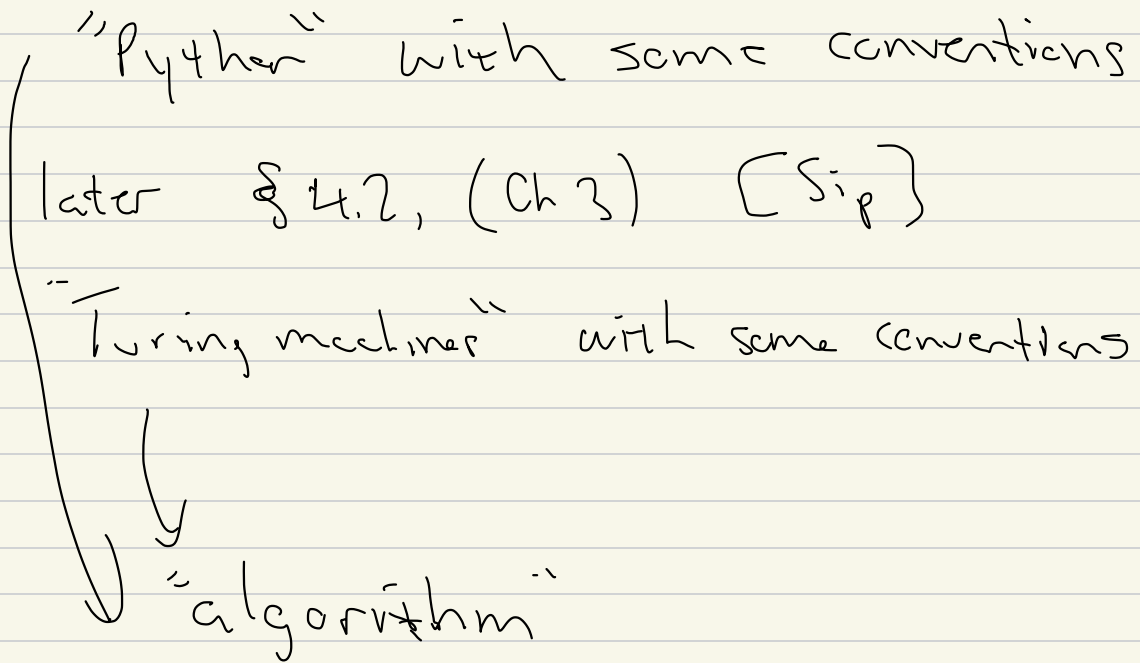
Illegible homework will not be graded, such as *this type* of writing

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USE CANVAS TO GET TO
GRADSCOPE

"I don't want to belong to any club that would accept me as one of its members."

Groucho Marx



Conventions:

- one input, string in \sum^*_{ASCII}
- two return values "yes", "no"
- any other program behaviour we call "loops"

Fix some conventions:

In Σ_{ASCII}^* , some strings are in

$\text{VALID-PYTHON-PROGRAMS} \subset \Sigma_{\text{ASCII}}^*$

If $p \in \text{VALID-P} \Rightarrow \text{P}$, then

on input $i \in \Sigma_{\text{ASCII}}^*$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$
a finite length Σ_{ASCII} string

We say

p accepts input i means on input i ,

algorithm p reaches

"return("yes")"

" p accepts i " means: on input i ,
 p reaches `return("yes")` (1)

" p rejects i " means: on input i ,
 p reaches `return("no")` (2)

" p loops on i " means: neither
(1) nor (2).

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For any $p \in \text{VALID-P-P}$,

Language Recognized By (p)

def $\{ i \in \sum_{\text{ASCII}}^* \mid \underline{p \text{ accepts } i} \}$

Language $\text{RecBy}(p)$ is therefore

a subset of Σ_{ASCII}^* , i.e.

an element of $\text{Power}(\Sigma_{\text{ASCII}}^*)$.

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If $p \notin \text{VALID-PYTHON-PROGRAM}$,

set $\text{LanguageRecBy}(p) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \emptyset$

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So:

Language RecBy :

$\Sigma_{\text{ASCII}}^* \longrightarrow \text{Power}(\Sigma_{\text{ASCII}}^*)$

Exg.

LanguageRecBy (# This is a comment
i = input
if (len(i) > 5):
return ("yes"))

= { i ∈ \sum_{ASCII}^* | length(i) > 5 }

(#, \, _ , T, h, i, s . . . , <CR> , - , _ , _ , _ ,
s , " ,) , <CR>) ∈ \sum_{ASCII}^{45}

Language Rec By $\left(\begin{array}{l} \# _ _ _ \\ \# _ _ _ \\ i = \text{input} \\ \vdots \\ \text{return} (|i|) \end{array} \right)$

never says "yes" = \emptyset

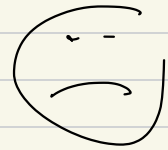
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Decision Problems =

yes

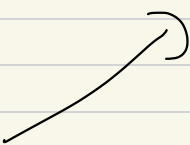


no



The answer "yes" gives us a language

Language Rec By $\left(\begin{array}{ccc} \# & - & - \\ - & - & - \\ - & - & - \end{array} \right)$

any p 
that does not
contain
`return("yes")`
somewhere

\Downarrow
 ~~\emptyset~~

We say that

" p halts on input i "

if p on input i accepts
or rejects, but does not loop

i.e.,

on input i , P either

CR — returns "yes"
— "no"

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P is a decider if on
{all}
{any} input i , P either
accepts or rejects (but
does not loop)

LanguageRecBy :

$$\Sigma_{ASCII}^* \longrightarrow \text{Power}(\Sigma_{ASCII}^*),$$

i.e. $\forall p \in \Sigma_{ASCII}^*$,

LanguageRecBy(p) is some language
over Σ_{ASCII}

We say $L \subset \Sigma_{ASCII}^*$

$$L \in \text{Power}(\Sigma_{ASCII}^*)$$

is recognizable if

$$L = \text{LanguageRecBy}(p)$$

$$\text{for some } p \in \Sigma_{\text{ASCII}}^*$$

Cantor's Theorem \Rightarrow

$$T = \left\{ \overset{\text{all}}{p \in \Sigma_{\text{ASCII}}^*} \mid \underline{p \notin \text{LangRecBy}(p)} \right\}$$

is not in the image of
LanguageRecBy !!!
... ..

GROUCHO-MARX-SELF

$$p = \underbrace{\text{return}("yes")}_{\text{ASCII}} \in \sum_{\text{ASCII}}^*$$

$$\text{LangRecB}_1(\quad) = \sum_{\text{ASCII}}^*$$