

- Today: Turing machines, multi-tape, etc.

- Question: Is there a Turing machine that correctly solves the question $P \stackrel{?}{=} NP$?

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 Cheap shot: There is a TM that correctly answers "is $P=NP$?"

Just by definition: yes, but we don't know which one.

Knowing there is a TM to solve "blah"

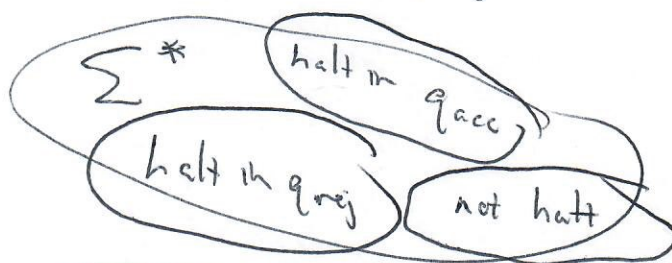
is not the same as knowing which one.

In [Sip] 3.1: "recognizing" versus "deciding"

A Turing machine, M , on input $w \in \Sigma^*$ can

(1) halt in q_{acc} , (2) halt in q_{rej} (3) not halt "looping"

Each M :



We say M recognizes $L \subset \Sigma^*$ if

$w \in L \Rightarrow M$ halts in q_{acc} on input w

$w \notin L \Rightarrow M$ " " q_{rej} or loops (doesn't halt) on input w

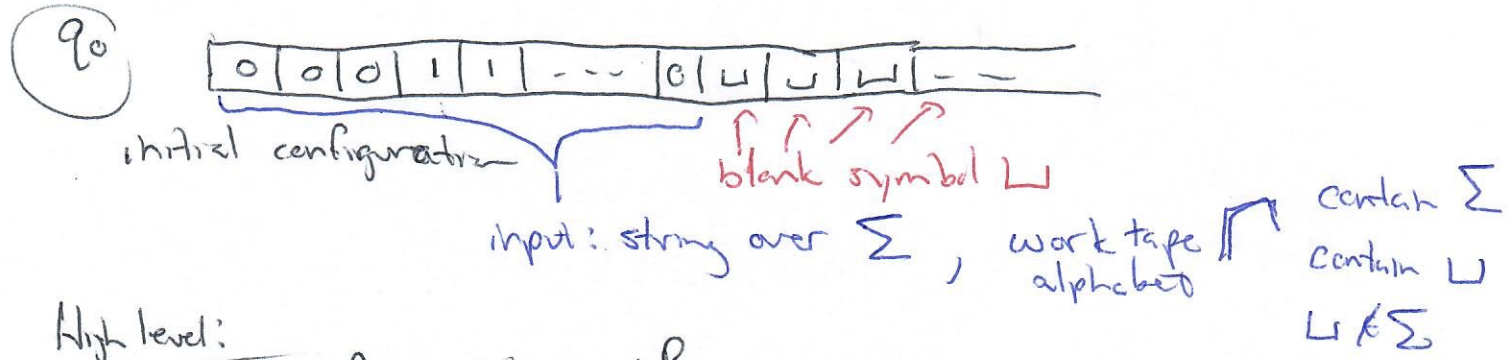
M decides L means M recognizes L and always halts in q_{acc} or q_{rej}

- Today: TM that decides $\{0^n 1^n\}$ (2)

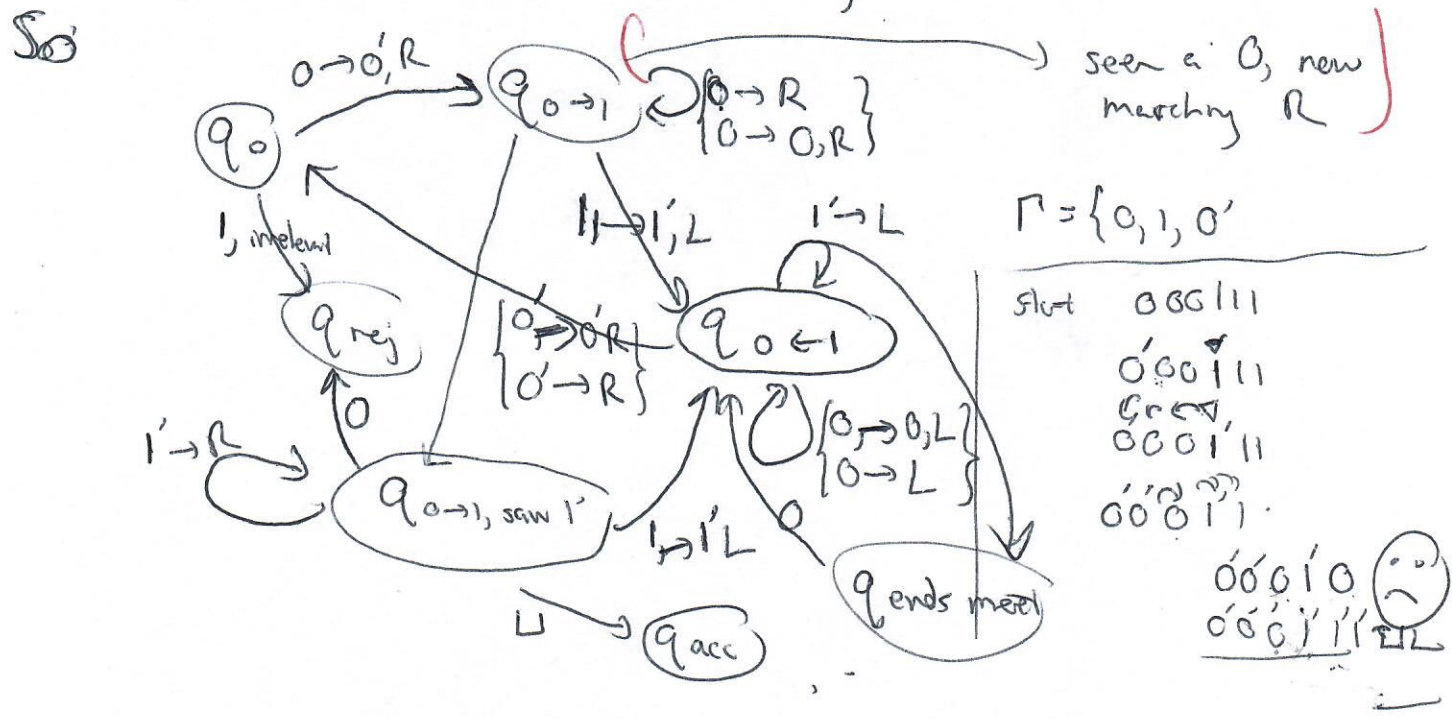
- TM that takes input $\{0, 1, \#\}$ accepts strings:
 $\{s_1 \# s_2 \# s_3 \mid s_1, s_2, s_3 \in \{0, 1\}^* \text{ and } s_1 = s_2 + s_3 \text{ in binary}\}$

- multi-tape machine = high level) Σ imprecise
 - description of δ, Γ, \dots (precise)

Last time started a Turing machine to recognize $\{0^n 1^n\}$:



High level:
 look for first 0, match through 0's to first 1
 hitting first 1 we move left to 2nd 0, etc.



We also showed notation on page 173, Example 3.9
 And figure 3.4, top of page 169 for configuration notation