

**CECS 329, Learning Outcome Assessment 10, April 20th, Spring 2023,  
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**NO NOTES, BOOKS, ELECTRONIC DEVICES, OR INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION ALLOWED.** Submit solutions to at most 2 LO problems on separate sheets of paper.

## Problems

LO6. Do the following.

- (a) Compute the Gödel number for program  $P = T(2, 3), Z(4), J(1, 2, 4), S(1)$ . Write your answer as a sum of powers of two minus 1.
- (b) Provide the URM program  $P$  whose Gödel number equals

$$2^{79} + 2^{89} + 2^{104} + 2^{121} - 1.$$

LO7. Answer and solve the following.

- (a) Which of the following is *not* needed by a universal program  $P_U$  in order to simulate the computation of program  $P_x$  on input  $y$ ?
  - i. the maximum index of any register used by  $P_x$
  - ii. the maximum number of configurations used in the computation of  $P_x$  on input  $y$
  - iii. the number of instructions of  $P_x$
  - iv. the length of each configuration used in the computation of  $P_x$  on input  $y$
- (b) A universal program  $P_U$  is simulating a program that has 253 instructions and whose Gödel number is

$$x = 2^{79} + 2^{102} + 2^{120} + 2^{129} + 2^{c_5} + \dots + 2^{c_{253}} - 1.$$

If the current configuration of the computation of  $P_x$  on some input has encoding

$$\sigma = 2^2 + 2^4 + 2^{10} + 2^{19} + 2^{24} - 1,$$

then provide the next configuration of the computation *and* its  $\tau$  encoding.

LO8. Do the following.

- (a) In one or more complete sentences, describe what is asserted by the Church-Turing Thesis.
- (b) Consider the function

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \phi_x \text{ is total} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

In other words,  $g(x) = 1$  iff program  $P_x$  halts on all of its inputs. We want to prove that  $g(x)$  is undecidable, meaning there is no URM program that computes  $g$ . To do this, let's

assume that  $g(x)$  is computable by some URM program  $G$ . Then define the function  $f(x)$  as follows.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} P_x(x) + 1 & \text{if } g(x) = 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } g(x) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Provide an informal description of the steps you would use to compute  $f(x)$  using pencil and paper. Why does this imply that  $f(x)$  is URM computable?

- (c) Let  $e$  denote the Gödel number of the URM program  $F$  that computes  $f(x)$  from part b. In other words  $F = P_e$ . Show that a contradiction arises when we try to compute  $f(e)$  using  $F$ .

LO9. An instance of the decision problem **Odd Range** is a Gödel number  $x$ , and the problem is to decide if function  $\phi_x$  has a range that consists only of odd natural numbers. Mathematically speaking,  $g(x) = 1$  iff  $E_x \subseteq \{1, 3, 5, \dots\}$ . Consider the function

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } E_x \subseteq \{1, 3, 5, \dots\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Evaluate  $g(x)$  for each of the following Gödel number's  $x$ . Note: 2 out of 3 correct is considered passing. **Justify your answers.**
- i.  $x = e_1$ , where  $e_1$  is the Gödel number of the program that computes the function  $\phi_{e_1}(y) = y^3$ .
  - ii.  $x = e_2$ , where  $e_2$  is the Gödel number of the program that computes the function  $\phi_{e_2}(y) = 3^y$ .
  - iii.  $x = e_3$ , where  $e_3$  is the Gödel number of the program that computes  $g(x)$  (assuming that  $g(x)$  is URM computable).
- (b) Prove that  $g(x)$  is not URM computable. In other words, there is no URM program that, on input  $x$ , always halts and either outputs 1 or 0, depending on whether or not  $\phi_x$  has a range consisting of odd natural numbers. Do this by writing a program  $P$  that uses  $g$  and makes use of the **self** programming concept. Then show how  $P$  creates a contradiction.

LO10. Answer the following.

- (a) Provide the definition of what it means to be a mapping reduction from decision problem  $A$  to decision problem  $B$ .
- (b) For the mapping reduction  $f : \text{Subset Sum} \rightarrow \text{Set Partition}$ , determine  $f(S, t)$  for **Subset Sum** instance  $(S = \{2, 10, 14, 21, 33, 38, 46\}, t = 61)$ . Verify that  $(S, t)$  and  $f(S, t)$  are both positive instances of their respective decision problems. Show work.