

CS 487 – Assignment 5

A set A is co-recognizable if \overline{A} is recognizable.

1. Recall the definition of 2SPDA from the midterm. Show that L is recognized by a 2SPDA if and only if L is recognizable.
2. A set A separates sets B and C if $B \subseteq A$ and $C \subseteq \overline{A}$.
Show that every pair of disjoint co-recognizable sets have a decidable separator.
3. Show there exist two disjoint recognizable sets that have no decidable separator.
4. Consider the set

$$\text{INF} = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid L(M) \text{ is infinite} \}.$$

- (a) Show that $\text{HALT} \leq \text{INF}$.
 - (b) Show that $\text{HALT} \leq \overline{\text{INF}}$.
 - (c) Conclude that INF is neither recognizable or co-recognizable.
5. Let $\text{DIAG} = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid M \text{ on input } \langle M \rangle \text{ does not accept} \}$.
 - (a) Suppose that for some Turing machine M , $L(M) \subseteq \text{DIAG}$. Show that $\langle M \rangle$ is in $\text{DIAG} - L(M)$.
 - (b) Using this result, show that there exists a computable function such that given the description of a consistent theory produces a true statement that is not provable in that theory.
 - (c) You have just proven that a statement is true and has no proof. Why is this not a logical contradiction?