

3.2 Variants of TM's

Multitape TM - a TM with K tapes, K≥1 - each tape has its own head



Transition function

 $S: Q \times \Gamma^{k} \to Q \times \Gamma^{k} \times \{L, R, S\}^{k} \xrightarrow{Mar q 2023 \uparrow}$ 

Recall : 2 machines are equivalent if They recognize the same language.

A <u>computional model</u> is more powerful than another if it can recognize all the languages the other can plus more.

Eq. For each PDA Mp, J a TM MT that recognizes the same language ... because a STACK is a restricted Kind of TAPE ie the stack can be simulated by a tape. And TMs can recognize languages PDA's cannot, like: EwtHW: we Fab3\*3.

. TM is a more powerful computational model than PDA.

Theorem 3.13 & multi-tape TM has an equivalent Single tape TM (TM)

Proof: Given any multitage TM M, we construct an equivalent



$$S = "On input W = O_1 O_2 \cdots O_n$$

- 1. Insert a # at leftmost cell and mark off K tape areas that are initially blank, to L of w, with dot (head position) on first symbol of each tape-area.
- 2. Scan R and determine all symbols under all tope heads. Make a second pass, to update the symbol under each head, move the dot (as M would more the head), and change state as M would do.
- 3. If S needs to access tape areas outside those already demarcated by the #'s, then use a transducer to shift - R all tape

Non-deterministic TM

A non-det TM may have several options of what to do in a particular state, with tope head over a particular symbol.  $S: Q \times \Gamma \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}(Q \times \Gamma \times \mathcal{E}L, R, S\mathcal{F})$ 

A power set, ie there a number of options of what to do, where to go when in a certain config.

The computation of a  
det-TM M on input w:  

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Def: À non-det TM M accepts w if **a** branch of M's computation on w that ends in ga (ha)

Question: Does non-determinism add "power" to the computational model "TM"? I.e. are there languages recognized/decided by non-det TMs which no det-TM can recog/decide? Review:

Configuration of a TM:  
If you have a Tm that is part way Through  
a computation, what do you have to know to  
predict exactly the rest of the computation (for a  
det-TM) or all possible ways the computation could go  
(for a nondet-TM)?  

$$a \rightarrow b_{R}$$
 - current state  
 $- tape contents$   
 $- where the head is$   
 $b \rightarrow s$   
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