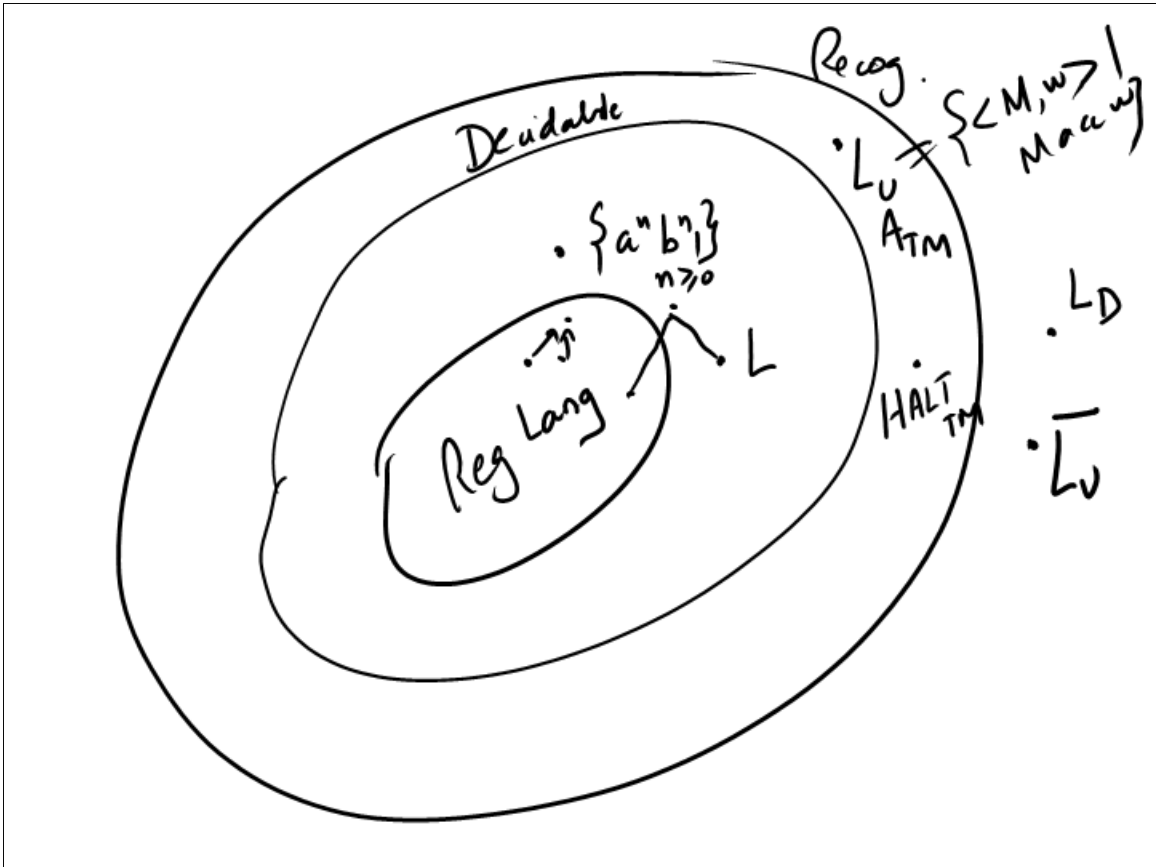


Lecture # 17

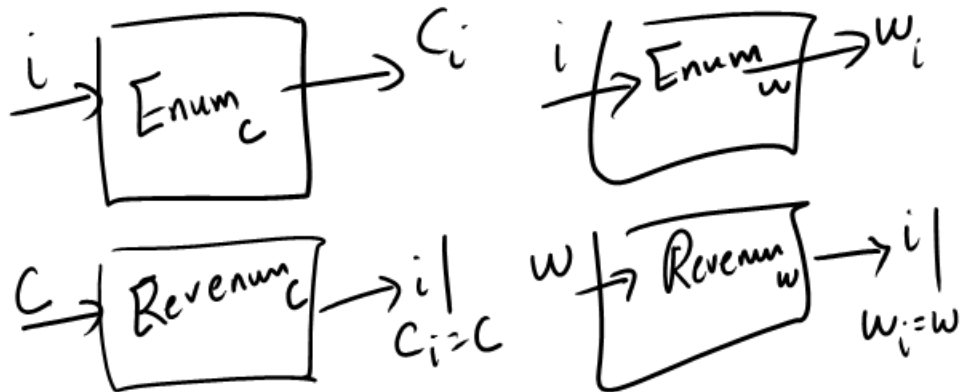
Reductions



Let $L_U^c = \{ \langle C, w \rangle \mid C \text{ is a C-program that accepts } w \}$

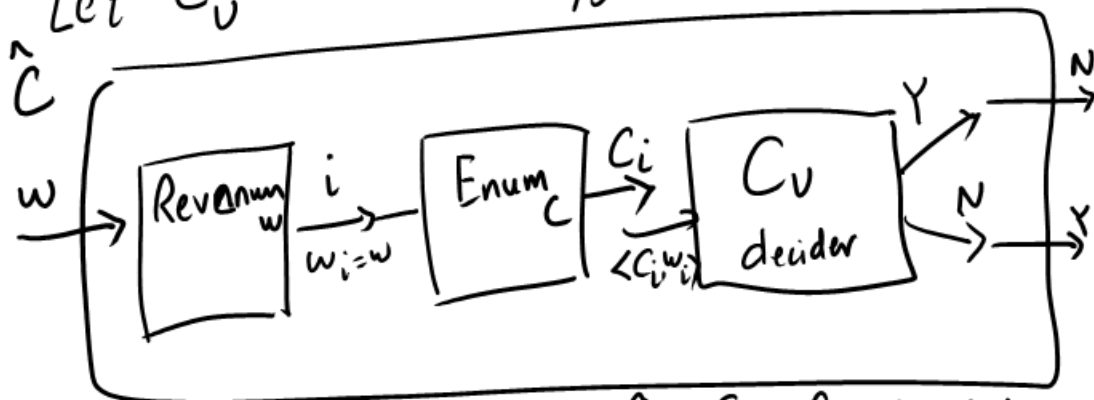
C_1, C_2, C_3, \dots

w_1, w_2, \dots



$L_U = \{ \langle C, w \rangle \mid C \text{ is a C-pgm that } \underset{\text{acc } w_j}{\text{cannot be decided by any C-pgm.}} \}$

Let C_U be a C-pgm deciding L_U .



Since \hat{C} is a C-pgm, $\hat{C} = C_j$ for some j .
 w_j cannot be accepted or rejected by \hat{C} .

$$\text{HALT}_{\text{TM}} = \{ \langle M, w \rangle \mid M \text{ halt on } w \}$$

L_1 reduces to L_2

if given a decider for L_2 ,
there is a decider for L_1 .

L_1 is solvable if L_2 is solvable.

L_1 is not harder than L_2 .

$\rightarrow \boxed{L_2}$ L_1

P1: Find the minimum number
in a list L of numbers.

P2: Sort a list of numbers.

L_1 reduces to L_2

If L_2 is decidable, then L_1 is decidable.

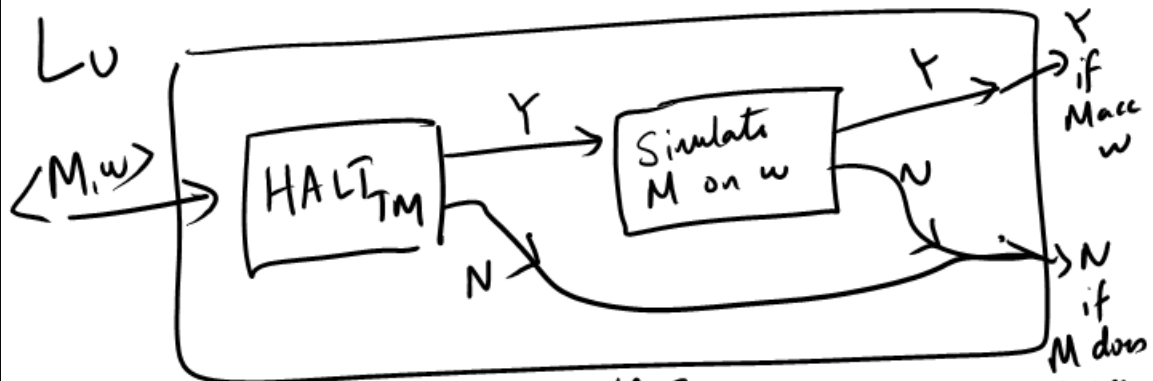
If L_1 is undecidable, then L_2 is undecidable.

L_U is undecidable — I know this
 L is undecidable?
[L reduces to L_U
 L could be decidable
 L_U reduces to L
Shows L is undecidable.

$HALT_{TM} = \{ \langle M, w \rangle \mid M \text{ halts on } w \}$ is undecidable.

L_U reduces to $HALT_{TM}$.

$L_U = \{ \langle M, w \rangle \mid M \text{ acc } w \}$



Hence L_U reduces to $HALT_{TM}$ & hence $HALT_{TM}$ is undecidable.

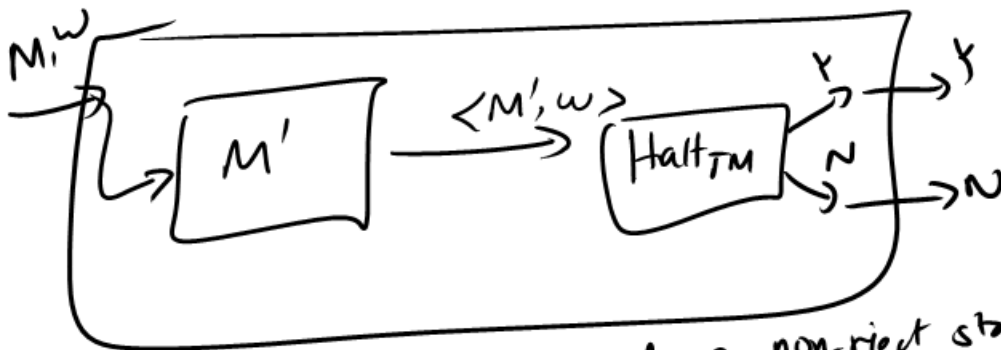
~~Q~~ $\{a\}$ reduces to L_0
TM deciding $\{a\}$



A reduces to B trivially
if A is known to be decidable
or B is known to be undecidable.

$$\text{HALT}_{\text{TM}} = \{ \langle M, w \rangle \mid M \text{ acc} \text{ } w \text{ or } \text{halts} \}$$

L_U



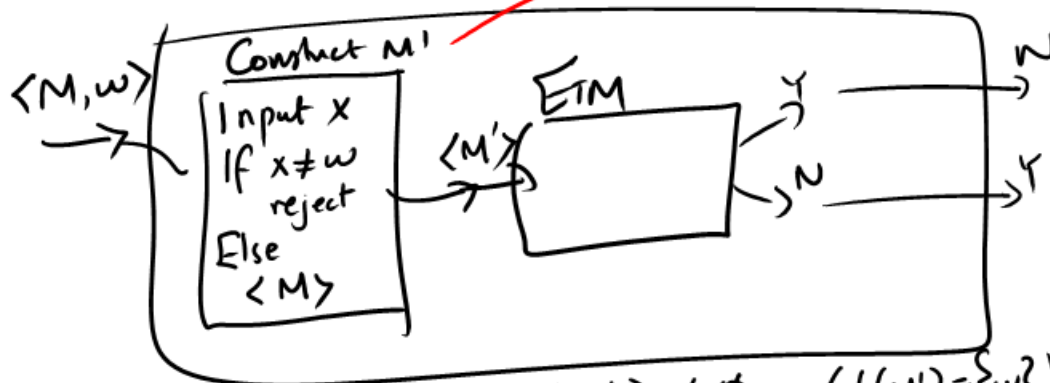
M' : M with q_{rej} made a non-reject state
 q_{rej} self-loops on q_{rej} .
 Add a new q_{rej} state that is not reachable

$$E_{TM} = \{ \langle M \rangle \mid L(M) = \emptyset \}$$

is undecidable

L_U reduces E_{TM}

M' depends on w



M acc $w \Rightarrow L(M') \neq \emptyset$ ($L(M') = \{w\}$)
 M does not acc $w \Rightarrow L(M') = \emptyset$

