

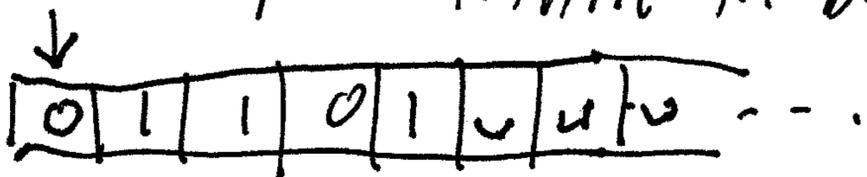
Lecture 4/19: Two main issues with all the notation differences. ①

1 • A TM halts only when it encounters a char  $c$  in a state  $q$  where it has no instruction for  $c$ .

Note: For ~~DFA~~ or NFA this was a "crash": don't accept, even if  $q \in F$

For TM in the text,  $\{q_{acc}, q_{rej}\}$  form, these states have no instructions, while every state  $q \in Q \setminus \{q_{acc}, q_{rej}\}$  has instruction(s) for all chars.  $\therefore q_{acc}$  and  $q_{rej}$  are the only places in which a TM can halt.

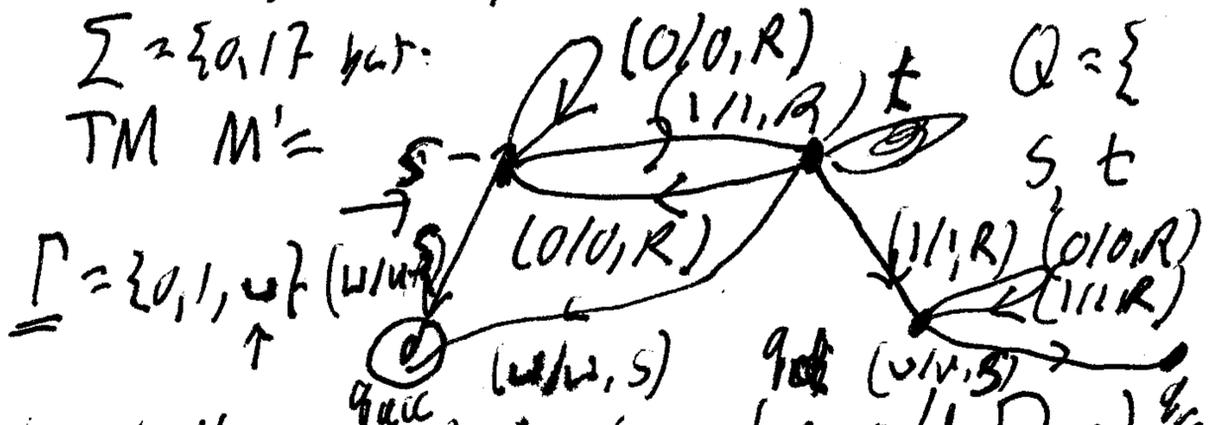
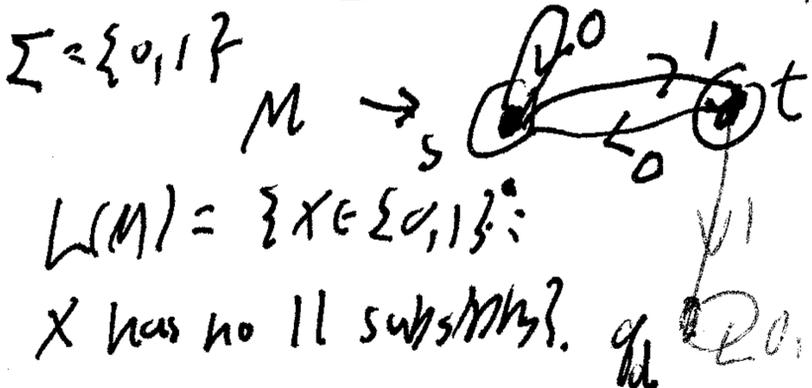
2 • Is the tape infinite in both directions? Tumby Kit  
text:  
lecture: yes



→  $0/0, L$  "CRASH" on a 1-way infinite tape.

→  $s$  A TM with a 2-way infinite tape cannot "crash."

Also Point 3: We want to say that a DFA or NFA "Is-A" TM.

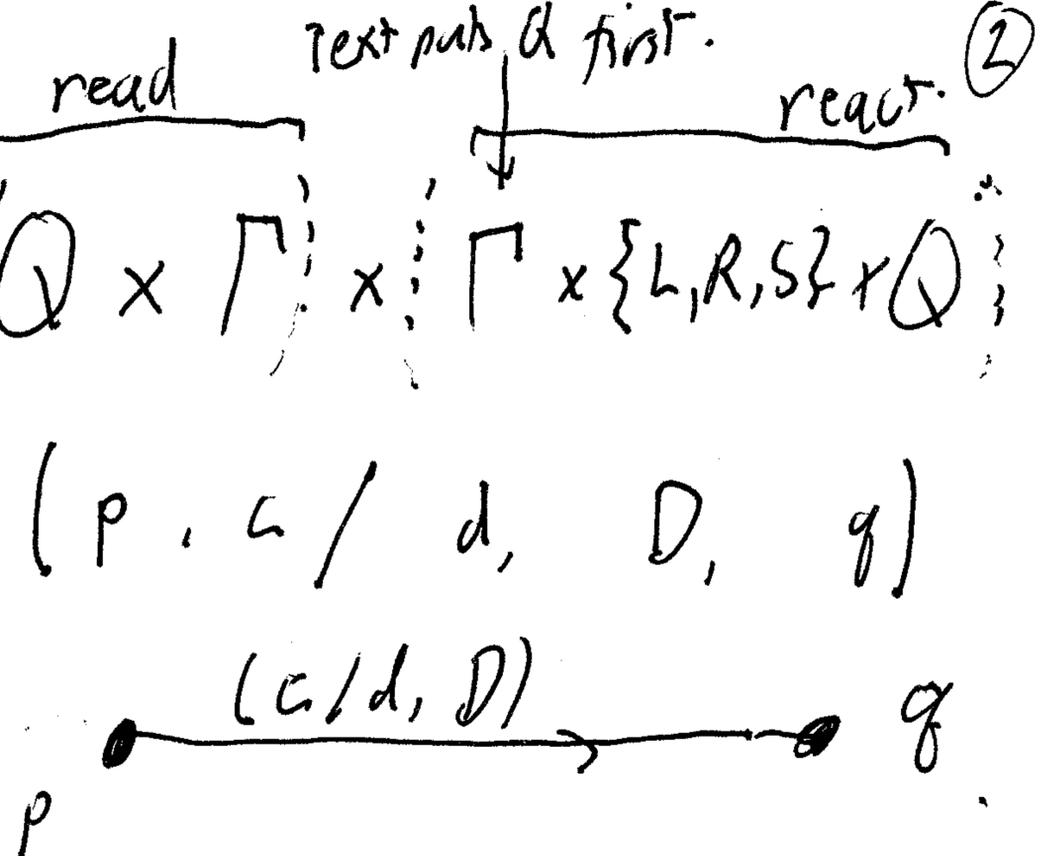


A finite automaton "Is-A" TM in which every instruction  $(p, c/d, D, q)$  has  $d = c$  (no change) and  $D = R$  (right move always).

Notation for Transitions.  
Nondeterministic TM

General (NTM) :  $\delta \subseteq \{Q \times \Gamma\} \times \{\Gamma \times \{L, R, S\} \times Q\}$

Instruction (aka "tuple") format:  $(p, c / d, D, q)$   
 OK to use normal comma for '/' In diagrams

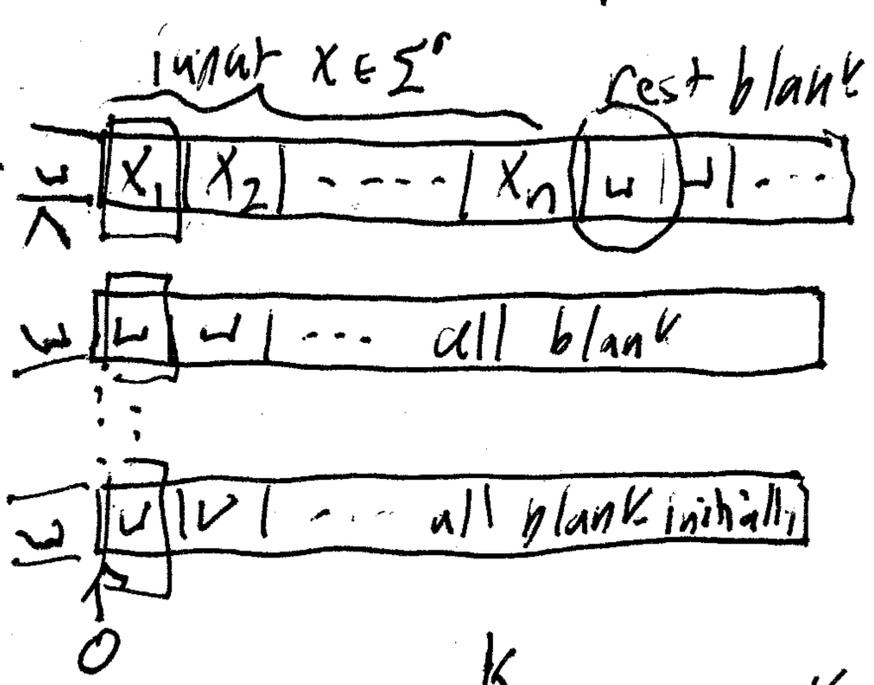


An NTM properly has some states/  $p$  with 2 or more instructions beginning  $(p, c / \dots)$ .

Otherwise,  $\delta$  is a partial function on  $Q \times \Gamma$ . Text's convention makes  $\delta$  a total function,  $\delta: (Q \setminus \{q_{acc}, q_{rej}\}) \times \Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma \times \{L, R, S\} \times Q$  for DTMs. Abstractly  $\delta(p, c) = (d, D, q)$ . (Text:  $= (q, d, D)$ )

Multiple Tape TMs:

All tapes initially all blank to left of our origin point.



Input tape: (can be read-only)

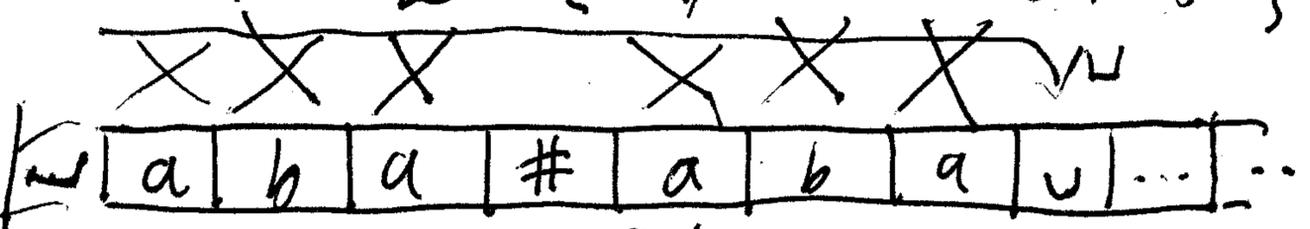
k-1 work tapes initially all blank.

Now transitions have  $\delta \subseteq Q \times \Gamma^k \times \Gamma^k \times \{L, R, S\}^k \times Q$

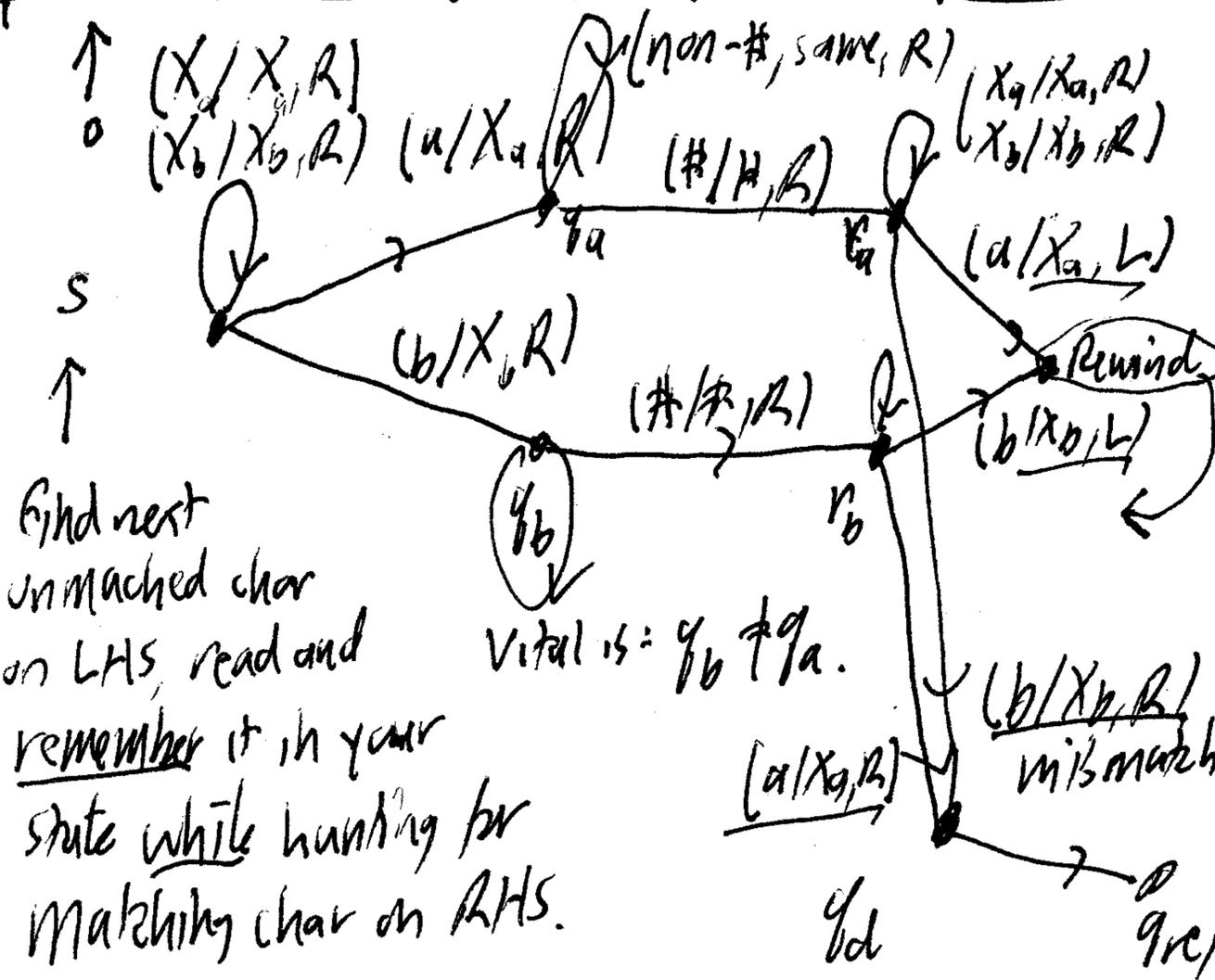
(DTM:  $\delta: Q \setminus \{q_{acc}, q_{rej}\} \times \Gamma^k \rightarrow \Gamma^k \times \{L, R, S\}^k \times Q$ )  
 Instructions  $(p, \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_k \end{pmatrix} / \begin{pmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \\ \vdots \\ d_k \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} D_1 \\ D_2 \\ \vdots \\ D_k \end{pmatrix}, q)$  (non-left, i.e.  $D_1 \neq L$ )

- Input tape is read-only if  $d_1 = c_1$  in all instructions, right-only if  $D_1 = R$  always.
- Tape 2 is a stack if  $D_2 = L \Rightarrow d_2 = \sqcup$ . "P-A" PDA if tape 1 is non-left, tape 2 = stack.

Example:  $L = \{ w\#v : w \in \{a, b\}^* \}$   $\Sigma = \{a, b, \#\}$  (3)



$\Gamma = \{ \epsilon, X_a, X_b \} \cup \Sigma$



Strategy: X-out the next char on the left, and see if the first non-Xed char on the right matches it.

Find next unmatched char on LHS, read and remember it in your state while hunting for matching char on RHS.

If you have a second tape for work, then you can copy X ~~repeated~~ on it and match it in one sweep (that not as a stack).

Extra: The machine still needs a component coming out of the "Remind" state that <sup>seeks</sup> finds the leftmost unmatched char (a or b), and if everything between the start and the '#' is X-ed, tests whether everything to the right of the '#' is X-ed as well. If so, then the input was a  $w\#v$  for  $w \in \{a, b\}^*$ , so the TM accepts. If not — or if it couldn't match a char earlier — then it was  $w\#v$  where  $v \neq w$ , so it rejects. We also need code to reject if there is no '#' or if there are 2 or more '#'-es.

The 2-tape TM is not a PDA because it rewinds on the second tape without erasing.

Analytically, the machine has a big loop that executes up to  $|w|$  times, and each iteration of the body takes at least  $|w|$  steps, giving  $\geq |w|^2$  time in the worst case. But if we have a second tape, we can copy the RHS underneath the LHS (in  $O(|w|+|v|)$  time) and then do the whole attempted matching in one sweep ( $O(|w|+|v|)$  time again, or less). So the time is linear not quadratic. [But]