

- Goal! Build a universal Turing machine; also build a Turing machine that simulates a Python (or a Duck) program.
- Conceptually useful: multi-tape T.m. Use for:
  - PALINDROME
  - ADDITION, MULTIPLICATION
  - addition, multiplication
  - universal T.m.

Midterm 1 week from today

Cover up to Myhill-Nerode

+ Ch 1 [Sip]

Next week !

Monday      wed      Friday

Review  
10-15 min

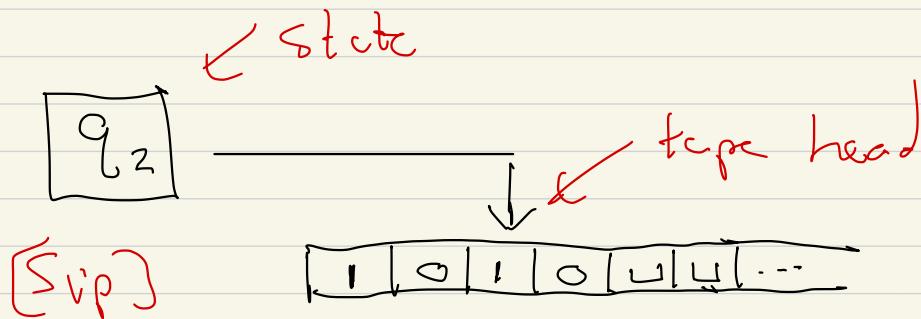
Review  
15-20 min

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Midterm

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Note: T.m. configurations can be equivalently written as  
(see figure 3.4 in [Sip])

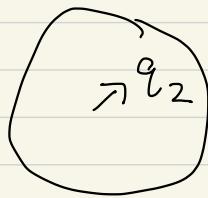


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OR

(I will  
write it)

(Classical)  
(Retro)



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OR

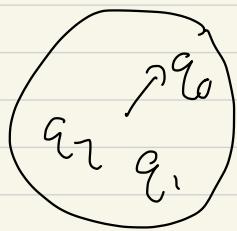
↑ tape head

1 0 1  $q_2$  0

[Sip]

(most concrete)

What is a multi-tape Turing machine?



| b c | a | b | c | - -

set of tape symbols

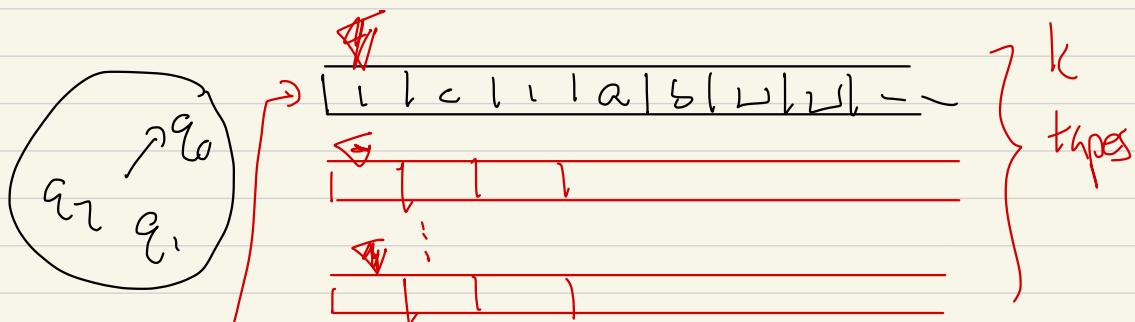
T.m. =  $(Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta,$

$q_0, q_{\text{acc}}, q_{\text{rej}}$ )

$\delta : Q \times \Gamma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma \times \{L, R\}$

$\Gamma$  contains  $\Sigma$ ,  $L$ , and maybe other symbols

What is a multi-tape Turing machine? fix  $k \in \mathbb{N}$



Input appears on tape 1

$$T.M. = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta,$$

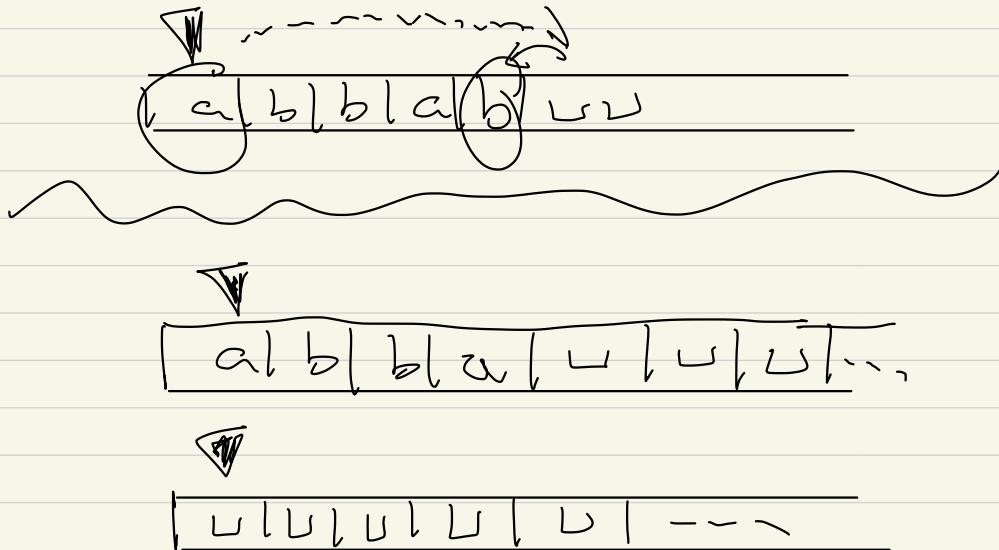
$$q_0, q_{\text{acc}}, q_{\text{rej}})$$

$$\delta : Q \times \Gamma^K \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma^K \times \{L, R, S\}^k$$

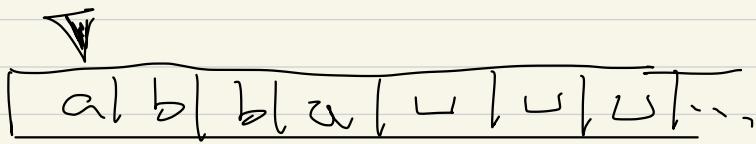
L = move left  
R = move right  
S = stay

Remark: In a 1-tape T.m.,  
we can always forgo S: stay

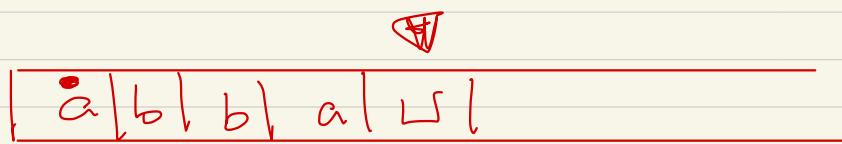
2-tape: recognize PALINDROME  
( of wed), built 1-tape " machine;  
on input size  $n$ , it took  $O(n^2)$   
time )



Step 1 : move both tape head



Phase 1



$q_0$  = initial , moves right + copies  
the word

$$\Sigma = \{a, b\}, \Gamma = \{a, b, L, \hat{a}, \hat{b}, \_, ?\}$$

$\dot{a}, \dot{b}$  mean these are  $a, b$

respectively, but  $\dot{a}, \dot{b}$  at  
cell 1.

$$\delta(q_0, (a, \sqcup)) = (q_1, (a, \dot{a}), (\lambda, \lambda))$$

$$\delta(q_0, (b, \sqcup)) = (q_1, (b, \dot{b}), (\lambda, \lambda))$$

$$\delta(q_0, (\sqcup, \sqcup)) = (q_{acc}, \text{irrelevant for the rest})$$

(special case of  $\epsilon$  as input)

$q_0$  = initial state (write a  $\circ$ )

$q_1$  = we still write input to

tape 2, but no longer  
at cell 1, we've already  
written a  $\circ$  over  $a, b - \sqcup$

Phase 1



a|b|b|a|U|U|--



a|b|b|a|U|

$\rightarrow \sqcup \sqcup$

$q_0 \quad q_1 \dashv$

$$\delta(q_1, (a, \sqcup)) = (q_1, (a, a), (\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}))$$

e.g.

a|a|--|U|U|U|U|--

a|U|U|U|U|

a|b|b|--

a|U|U| --

$$\delta(q_1, (b, \sqcup)) = (q_1, (\bar{b}, b), (R, \Omega))$$

$$\delta(q_1, (\sqcup, \sqcup)) = (q_1, (\sqcup, \sqcup), (S, L))$$

$q_2$  means we move tape head 2  
to cell 1 (on tape 2)

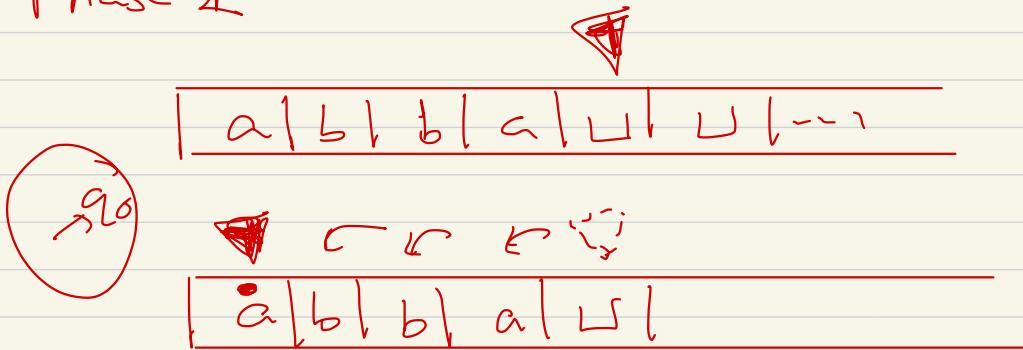
$$\delta(q_2, (\sqcup, \omega)) = (q_2, (\sqcup, \omega), (S, L))$$

$$\delta(q_2, (\sqcup, b)) = (q_2, (\sqcup, b), (S, L))$$

$$\delta(q_2, (\sqcup, \dot{a}))$$

$$\delta(q_2, (\sqcup, \dot{b}))$$

## Phase 2



## Phase

