

RICE'S THEOREM(S)

THERE ARE THREE (3) CONSTRAINTS

1. IT IS ABOUT PROPERTIES OF COMPUTABLE FUNCTIONS (PROGRAMS, PROCEDURES)
IT SPLITS THE INDICES OF FUNCTIONS INTO TWO CLASSES. FOR SOME PROPERTY P , WE HAVE SETS S_P AND $\bar{S}_P$
$$S_P = \{s \mid Q_s \text{ HAS PROPERTY } P\}$$
2. IT CAN BE APPLIED ONLY TO NON-TRIVIAL PROPERTIES. P IS NON-TRIVIAL IF
$$S_P \neq \emptyset \text{ AND } \bar{S}_P \neq \emptyset$$
3. IT MUST BE A PROPERTY ABOUT FUNCTIONAL BEHAVIOR, NOT IMPLEMENTATION OR EFFICIENCY.
THAT IS, IF f AND g HAVE SAME BEHAVIOR THEN BOTH ARE IN S_P OR BOTH ARE IN $\bar{S}_P$

RICE'S VARIANTS BASED ON BEHAVIOR TYPES

I. WEAK BEHAVIOR TYPE BASED ON DOMAIN

f AND g HAVE SAME BEHAVIOR IF
 $\text{Dom}(f) = \text{Dom}(g)$ - STANDARD RICE

II. WEAK BEHAVIOR TYPE BASED ON RANGE

f AND g HAVE SAME BEHAVIOR IF
 $\text{RNG}(f) = \text{RNG}(g)$

III. STRONG BEHAVIOR TYPE BASED ON ACTUAL MAPPINGS FROM INPUT TO OUTPUT

f AND g HAVE SAME BEHAVIOR IF

$$\forall x \ f(x) = g(x)$$

THIS MEANS SAME VALUE IF CONVERGE
AND BOTH DIVERGE OTHERWISE

$$\text{III} \Rightarrow \text{I AND II}$$

BUT $\text{I} \not\Rightarrow \text{III}$, $\text{II} \not\Rightarrow \text{III}$ AND
 $\text{I \& II} \not\Rightarrow \text{III}$

RICE'S THEOREM STATEMENT

IF P IS A NON-TRIVIAL PROPERTY OF
FUNCTION INDICES THAT IS IMMUNE
TO IMPLEMENTATION (AN I/O PROPERTY)
THEN P IS UNDECIDABLE (NON-RECURSIVE)

KEYS TO PROOF ARE :

1. ALL FUNCTIONS WITH EMPTY DOMAINS/
RANGES WILL EITHER HAVE PROPERTY P
OR NOT HAVE PROPERTY P .
2. ASSUME ALL FUNCTIONS WITH EMPTY
DOMAINS/RANGES ARE IN S_P . IF NOT
WE PROVE THE COMPLEMENT OF P TO
BE UNSOLVABLE
3. AS P IS NON-TRIVIAL, THERE IS
SOME FUNCTION INDEX IN S_P .
CALL THIS INDEX r

PROOF OF RICE'S THEOREM

LET P MEET ALL CONDITIONS OF RICE'S THEOREM AND LET $r \in S_P$. WE KNOW THAT $\emptyset \in \bar{S}_P$ WHERE $\emptyset$ INDEX IS OF SOME FUNCTION THAT DIVERGES EVERYWHERE

CONSIDER $\text{HALT} = \{ \langle x, y \rangle \mid \phi_x(y) \downarrow \}$

DEFINE $f_{r,x,y}$

r AS ABOVE
 x, y ARBITRARY

AS

$$f_{r,x,y}(z) = \phi_x(y) - \phi_x(y) + \phi_r(z)$$

IF $\langle x, y \rangle \in \text{HALT}$ THEN

$$f_{r,x,y}(z) = \phi_r(z) \text{ AND } f_{r,x,y} \in S_P$$

IF $\langle x, y \rangle \notin \text{HALT}$ THEN

$$\forall z f_{r,x,y}(z) \uparrow \text{ AND } f_{r,x,y} \in \bar{S}_P$$

THUS,

$$\text{HALT} \leq S_P$$

AND SO P IS NON-RECURSIVE

RICE EXAMPLES (WEAK)

$$\text{HASZERO} = \{f \mid \exists x f(x) = 0\}$$

$$C_0 \in \text{HASZERO}; C_1 \notin \text{HASZERO}$$

SO NON-TRIVIAL

CAN USE VERSION II OF RICE

LET f AND g BE ARB. INDICES SUCH THAT

$$\text{RNG}(f) = \text{RNG}(g)$$

$$f \in \text{HASZERO} \text{ IFF } \exists x f(x) = 0$$

$$\text{IFF } 0 \in \text{RNG}(f)$$

$$\text{IFF } 0 \in \text{RNG}(g)$$

$$\text{IFF } \exists x g(x) = 0$$

$$\text{IFF } g \in \text{HASZERO}$$

BY RICE'S ~~HASZERO~~ IS NON-RECURSIVE

$$\text{TOTAL} = \{f \mid \forall x f(x) \downarrow\}$$

$$C_0 \in \text{TOTAL} \quad \text{MAY } [y=y+1] \notin \text{TOTAL}$$

SO NON-TRIVIAL

CAN USE VERSION I OF RICE

LET f AND g BE ARB. INDICES SUCH THAT

$$\text{Dom}(f) = \text{Dom}(g)$$

$$f \in \text{TOTAL} \Leftrightarrow \forall x f(x) \downarrow \Leftrightarrow \text{Dom}(f) = \mathbb{N}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{Dom}(g) = \mathbb{N} \Leftrightarrow g \in \text{TOTAL}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall x g(x) \downarrow$$

BY RICE'S TOTAL IS NON-RECURSIVE

RICE EXAMPLE (STRONG)

$$\text{MonoINCR} = \{f \mid \forall x \ f(x+1) > f(x)\}$$

$$S(x) = x+1 \in \text{MonoINCR}$$

$$C_0(x) = 0 \notin \text{MonoINCR}$$

SO NON-TRIVIAL

MUST USE VERSION 3 OF RICE

LET f AND g BE ARB. INDICES SUCH THAT

$$\forall x \ f(x) = g(x)$$

$$f \in \text{MonoINCR} \iff \forall x \ f(x+1) > f(x)$$

$$\iff \forall x \ g(x+1) > g(x)$$

$$\text{AS } \forall x \ g(x) = f(x)$$

$$\iff g \in \text{MonoINCR}$$

USEFUL FUNCTIONS (STP, VALUE)

WHEN DEVELOPING UNIVERSAL FUNCTION
WE CREATED A PREDICATE STP
TO SEE IF FUNCTION HALTS IN SOME
FIXED TIME FOR SOME FIXED INPUT

$$\text{STP}(f, x, t) = \text{TRUE}$$

IFF $Q_f(x)$ CONVERGES IN t
OR FEWER STEPS

WE ALSO NEEDED A WAY TO EXTRACT
OUTPUT IF $Q_f(x)$ HALTS

$$\text{VALUE}(f, x, t) = f(x)$$

PROVIDED $\text{STP}(f, x, t)$

ELSE $\text{VALUE}(f, x, t)$ GIVES

A MEANINGLESS VALUE (WE USE 0)

USES OF STP AND VALUE

$$\langle f, x \rangle \in \text{HALT} \Leftrightarrow \exists t [\text{STP}(f, x, t)]$$

$$f \in \text{TOTAL} \Leftrightarrow \forall x \exists t [\text{STP}(f, x, t)]$$

$$f \in \text{HASZERO} \Leftrightarrow \exists \langle x, t \rangle [\text{STP}(f, x, t) \&\& \text{VALUE}(f, x, t) == 0]$$

$$f \in \text{MONINCR} \Leftrightarrow \forall x \exists t [\text{STP}(f, x, t) \&\& \text{STP}(f, x+1, t) \&\& \text{VALUE}(f, x, t) < \text{VALUE}(f, x+1, t)]$$

$$f \in \text{EMPTY} \Leftrightarrow \forall \langle x, t \rangle [\overline{\text{STP}(f, x, t)}]$$

CATEGORIES (P ALGORITHMIC PREDICATE)

$$x \in S \Leftrightarrow P(x) \quad \text{RECURSIVE}$$

$$x \in S \Leftrightarrow \exists y P(x, y) \quad \text{RE}$$

$$x \in S \Leftrightarrow \forall y P(x, y) \quad \text{CO-RE}$$

$$x \in S \Leftrightarrow \forall y \exists z P(x, y, z) \quad \text{NON-RE, NON-CORE}$$

$$x \in S \Leftrightarrow \exists y \forall z P(x, y, z) \quad \text{NON-RE, NON-CORE}$$

RE $\equiv$ Semi Dec. (PART 1)

LET S BE RE THEN EITHER

$$S = \emptyset \text{ OR } S = \text{RNG}(f_s)$$

WHERE f_s IS AN ALGORITHM

WE CAN BUILD g_s AS

$$g_s(x) = \mu y [y = y+1] \text{ IF } S = \emptyset$$

OR AS

$$g_s(x) = \mu y [f_s(y) = x]$$

OR

$$g_s(x) = \exists y [f_s(y) = x]$$

OR

$$g_s(x) = (\exists y f_s(y) = x) * x$$

IN ALL THREE CASES

$$\text{Dom}(g_s) = S$$

IN THIRD CASE

$$\text{Dom}(g_s) = \text{RNG}(g_s) = S$$

THUS,

$$\text{RE} \Rightarrow \text{Semi Dec.}$$

RE $\equiv$ SEMI-DEC. (PART 2)

LET S BE SEMI-DECIDABLE THEN

$$S = \text{Dom}(g_s)$$

WHERE g_s IS A PROCEDURE

WE CAN BUILD f_s IF WE ASSUME

$$S \neq \emptyset$$

WE CAN DO SO SINCE IF $S = \emptyset$ THEN
IT IS RE BY DEFINITION

LET $a \in S$ BE AN ARB. ELEMENT OF S

$$f_s(\langle x, t \rangle) = \text{STP}(g_s, x, t) * x \\ + (1 - \text{STP}(g_s, x, t)) * a$$

f_s IS AN ALGORITHM

$$\text{RNG}(f_s) = \text{Dom}(g_s)$$

NOTE: f_s ENUMERATES EACH ELEMENT
OF S INFINITELY OFTEN

RESULT IS

$$\text{SEMI-DEC} \Rightarrow \text{RE}$$

NOTE: f_s IS PRIMITIVE REC.

REC & RE

LET S BE A RECURSIVE (DECIDABLE) SET

S HAS AN ASSOCIATED ALGORITHMIC PREDICATE

χ_S , CALLED ITS CHARACTERISTIC FUNCTION SUCH THAT

$$x \in S \Leftrightarrow \chi_S(x)$$

THE COMPLEMENT OF S , $\bar{S}$, IS ALSO RECURSIVE AND

HAS ITS OWN CHARACTERISTIC FUNCTION, $\chi_{\bar{S}}$

$$x \in \bar{S} \Leftrightarrow \chi_{\bar{S}}(x) \Leftrightarrow \chi_S(x) = 0$$

$S \text{ REC} \Rightarrow S \text{ IS RE \& } \bar{S} \text{ IS RE}$

CAN DEFINE g_S & $g_{\bar{S}}$ WHERE $S = \text{Dom}(g_S)$, $\bar{S} = \text{Dom}(g_{\bar{S}})$

BY

$$g_S(x) = \mu y \chi_S(x) - \text{DIVERGE IFF } \overline{\chi_S(x)}$$

$$g_{\bar{S}}(x) = \mu y \chi_{\bar{S}}(x) - \text{DIVERGE IFF } \overline{\chi_{\bar{S}}(x)} \text{ IFF } \chi_S(x)$$

$$S \text{ REC} \Leftrightarrow S \text{ \& } \bar{S} \text{ ARE BOTH RE}$$

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$$S \text{ REC} \Rightarrow S \text{ \& } \bar{S} \text{ ARE BOTH RE}$$

NEED

$$S \text{ RE} \& \bar{S} \text{ RE} \Rightarrow S \text{ REC}$$

$$S \text{ RE} \Leftrightarrow (i) S = \emptyset \text{ OR } (ii) S = \text{RNG}(f_S), f_S \text{ ALG.}$$

$$\text{ALSO } S \text{ RE} \Leftrightarrow S = \text{Dom}(g_S), g_S \text{ A PROCEDURE}$$

$$\text{WE WILL USE } S = \text{Dom}(g_S), g_S \text{ A PROC.}$$

$$\text{AS } \bar{S} \text{ IS RE } \bar{S} = \text{Dom}(g_{\bar{S}}), g_{\bar{S}} \text{ A PROC.}$$

$$\chi_S(x) = \text{STP}(g_S, x, \mu t[\text{STP}(g_S, x, t) \parallel \text{STP}(g_{\bar{S}}, x, t)])$$

COULD DO OTHER WAY

$$\text{IF } S = \emptyset \text{ THEN } \forall x \chi_S(x) = 0 \text{ } \} \text{ REC}$$

$$\text{IF } S = \mathbb{N} \text{ THEN } \forall x \chi_S(x) = 1$$

$$\text{ASSUME } S \neq \emptyset \text{ AND } S \neq \mathbb{N} (\bar{S} \neq \emptyset)$$

$$\text{AND } S = \text{RNG}(f_S) \quad \bar{S} = \text{RNG}(f_{\bar{S}})$$

THEN

$$\chi_S(x) = f_S(\mu y [f_S(y) = x \parallel f_{\bar{S}}(y) = x]) = x$$

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