## COT6410 Spring 2019 Assignment #4 Sample

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- **b.)** Use Rice's Theorem to prove that **NTR** is undecidable.
- c.) Show that  $K_0 \leq_m NTR$ , where  $K_0 = \{ \langle x, y \rangle | \phi_x(y) \downarrow \}$ .
- **d.**) Show that  $NTR \leq_m K_0$ .
- e.) From a.) through d.) what can you conclude about the complexity of NTR (Recursive, RE, RE-COMPLETE, CO-RE, CO-RE-COMPLETE, NON-RE/NON-CO-RE)?

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 $\exists \langle x, y, t \rangle [STP(f, x, t) \&\& STP(f, y, t) \&\& (VALUE(f, x, t) \neq VALUE(f, y, t))]$ 

b.) Use Rice's Theorem to prove that NTR is undecidable.

First show NTR is non-trivial:

 $I(x) = x \in NTR$   $C_0(x) = 0 \notin NTR$ and thus, the set and its complement are non-empty as required.

Let f, g be two arbitrary indices (functions) such that range ( $\varphi_f$ ) = range ( $\varphi_g$ ).

 $f \in NTR$  iff  $| range(\varphi_f) | > 1$ Definition of NTRiff  $| range(\varphi_g) | > 1$ Since we assumed range  $(\varphi_f) = range(\varphi_g)$ iff  $g \in NTR$ Definition of NTR

This weak form of Rice's Theorem shows NTR to be undecidable.

c.) Show that  $K_0 \leq_m NTR$ , where  $K_0 = \{ \langle x, y \rangle | \phi_x(y) \downarrow \}$ .

Let  $\langle x,y \rangle$  be an arbitrary pair of natural numbers. Define  $f_{x,y}(z) = \varphi_x(y) - \varphi_x(y) + z$   $\langle x,y \rangle \in K_0$  implies  $\forall z f_{x,y}(z) = z$  implies  $Range(f_{x,y})$  is infinite implies  $f_{x,y} \in NTR$   $\langle x,y \rangle \notin K_0$  implies  $\forall z f_{x,y}(z) \uparrow$  implies  $Range(f_{x,y})$  is empty implies  $f_{x,y} \notin NTR$   $Thus, \langle x,y \rangle \in K_0 \Leftrightarrow f_{x,y} \in NTR$  $And so, K_0 \leq_m NTR$ 

**d.**) Show that  $NTR \leq_m K_0$ .

Let f be an arbitrary index (function) Define  $g_f(z) = \exists \langle x, y, t \rangle [STP(f,x,t) \&\& STP(f,y,t) \&\& (VALUE(f,x,t) \neq VALUE(f,y,t))]$   $f \in NTR$  implies  $\forall z \ g_f(z) = 1$  implies  $\langle g_{f_i} 0 \rangle \in K_0$   $f \notin NTR$  implies  $\forall z \ g_f(z) \uparrow$  implies  $\langle g_{f_i} 0 \rangle \notin K_0$ Thus,  $f \in NTR \Leftrightarrow \langle g_{f_i} 0 \rangle \in K_0$ And so,  $NTR \leq_m K_0$ 

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**RE-COMPLETE**