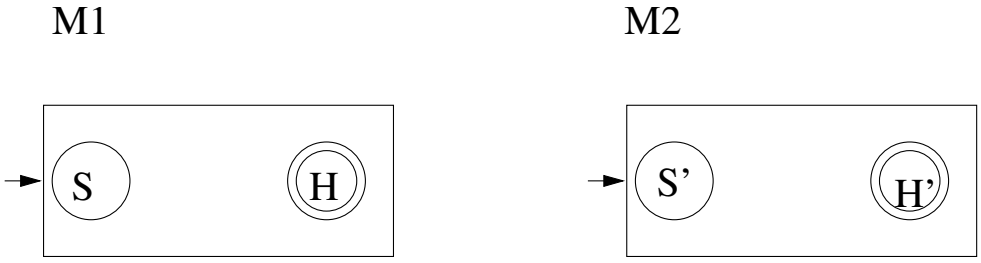
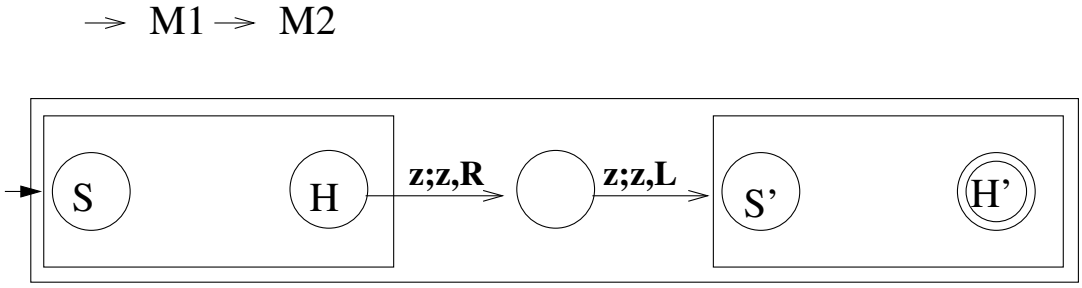
Section: Turing Machines - Building Blocks

1. Given Turing Machines M1 and M2

Notation for

- **Run M1**
- **Run M2**

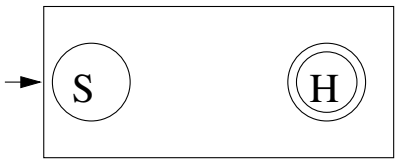




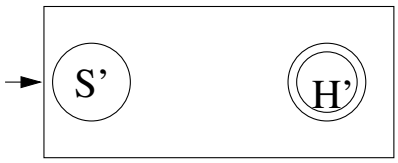
z represents any symbol in Γ

2. Given Turing Machines M1 and M2

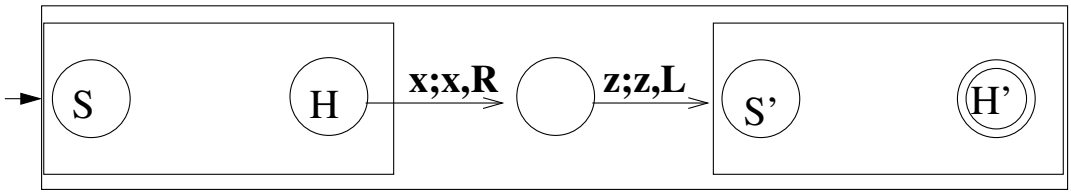
M1



M2



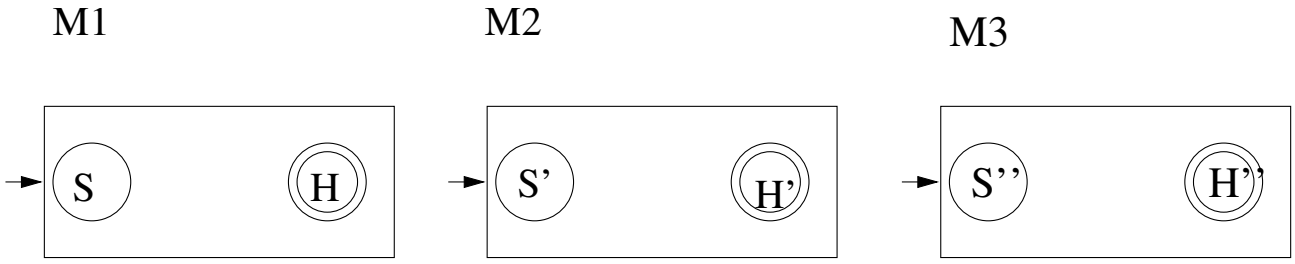
$\rightarrow$ M1 $\overset{x}{\rightarrow}$ M2

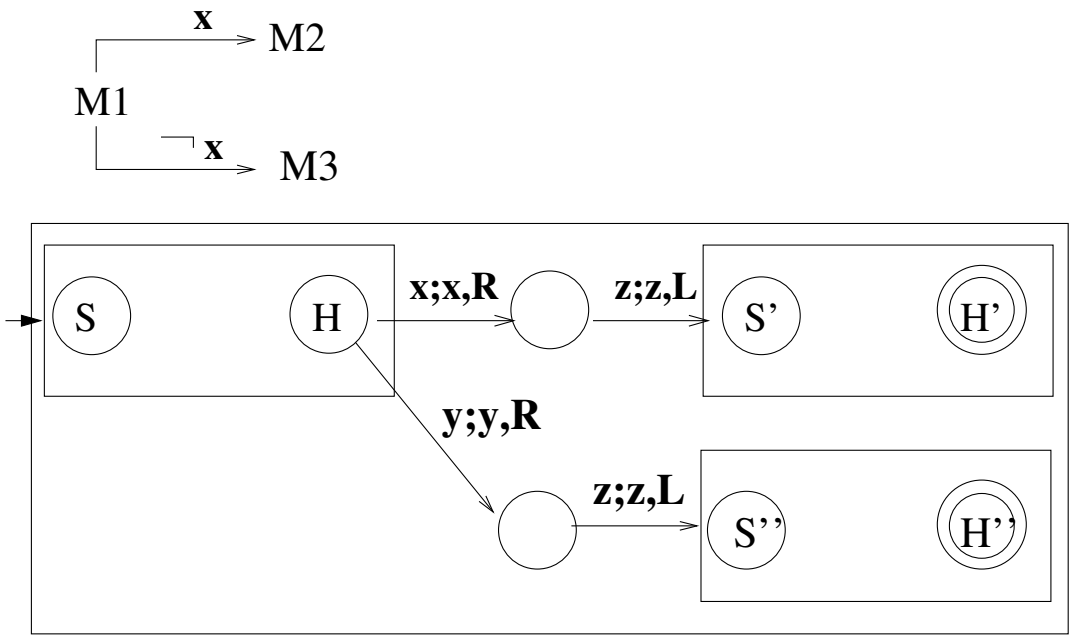


z represents any symbol in

x is an element of

3. Given Turing Machines M1, M2, and M3





x is an element of ⌜

y is any element except x from ⌜

z is any element from ⌜

More Notation for Simplifying Turing Machines

Suppose Γ={a,b,c,B}

z is any symbol in Γ

x is a specific symbol from Γ

1. **s - start**
2. **R - move right**
3. **L - move left**
4. **x - write x (and don't move)**
5. **R$_a$ - move right until you see an a**

6. **L_a - move left until you see an a**

7. **$\mathrm{R}_{\neg a}$ - move right until you see anything that is not an a**

8. **$\mathrm{L}_{\neg a}$ - move left until you see anything that is not an a**

9. **h - halt in a final state**

10. $\overset{a,b}{\rightarrow}\}\ \overset{w}{\rightarrow}$

    If the current symbol is a or b, let w represent the current symbol.

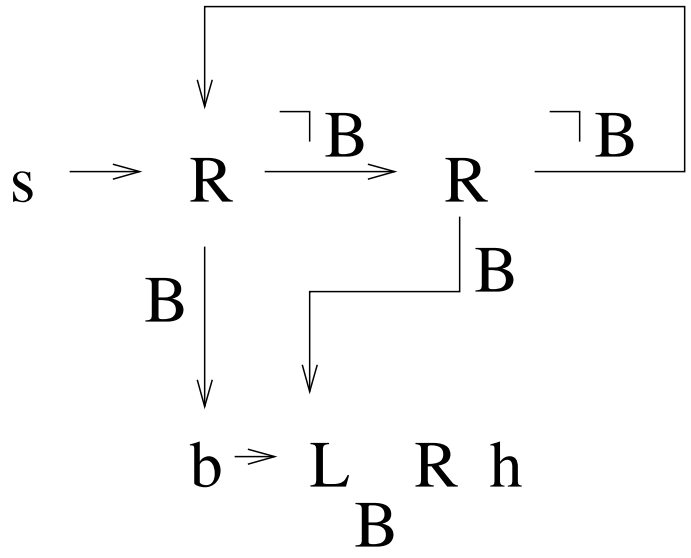
Example

Assume input string $w \in \Sigma^+$, $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$.

If $|w|$ is odd, then write a b at the end of the string. The tape head should finish pointing at the leftmost symbol of w.

input: bab, output: babb

input: ba, output: ba



What is the running time?

Example

Assume input string $w \in \Sigma^+$, $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$, $|w| > 0$

For each a in the string, append a b to the end of the string.

input: $abbabb$**, output:** $abbabbbb$

The tape head should finish pointing at the leftmost symbol of w.

Turing's Thesis Any computation that can be carried out by a mechanical means can be performed by a TM.

Definition: An *algorithm* **for a function f:D$\rightarrow$R is a TM M, which given input d$\in$D, halts with answer f(d)$\in$R.**

Example: $f(x+y) = x+y$**,** x **and** y **unary numbers.**

start with:	**111+1111**
	$\uparrow$
end with:	**1111111**
	$\uparrow$

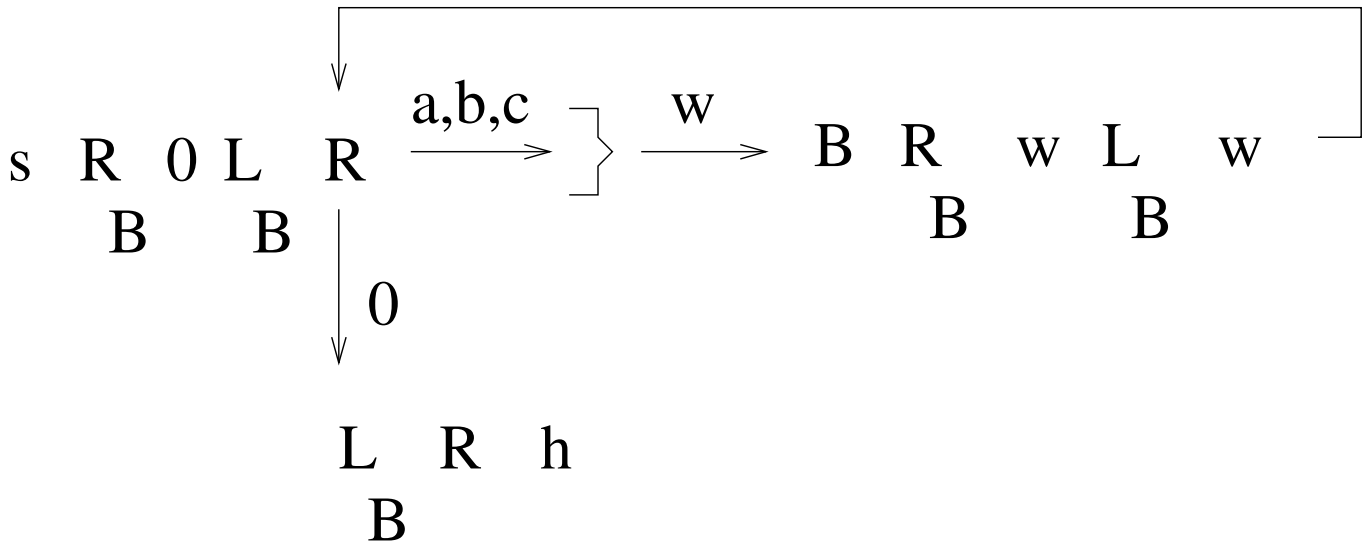
Example: Copy a String, f(w)=w0w,
w$\in \Sigma^*$, $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$

Denoted by C

start with:	**abac**
	↑
end with:	**abac0abac**
	↑

Algorithm:

- **Write a 0 at end of string**
- **For each symbol in string**
  - **make a copy of the symbol**


s R 0 L R
B B
a,b,c
w
B R w L w
B B
0
L R h
B

Example: Shift the string that is to the left of the tape head to the right,

denoted by $\mathbf{S}_R$ (shift right)

Below, "ba" is to the left of the tape head, so shift "ba" to the right.

start with: **aaBbabca**

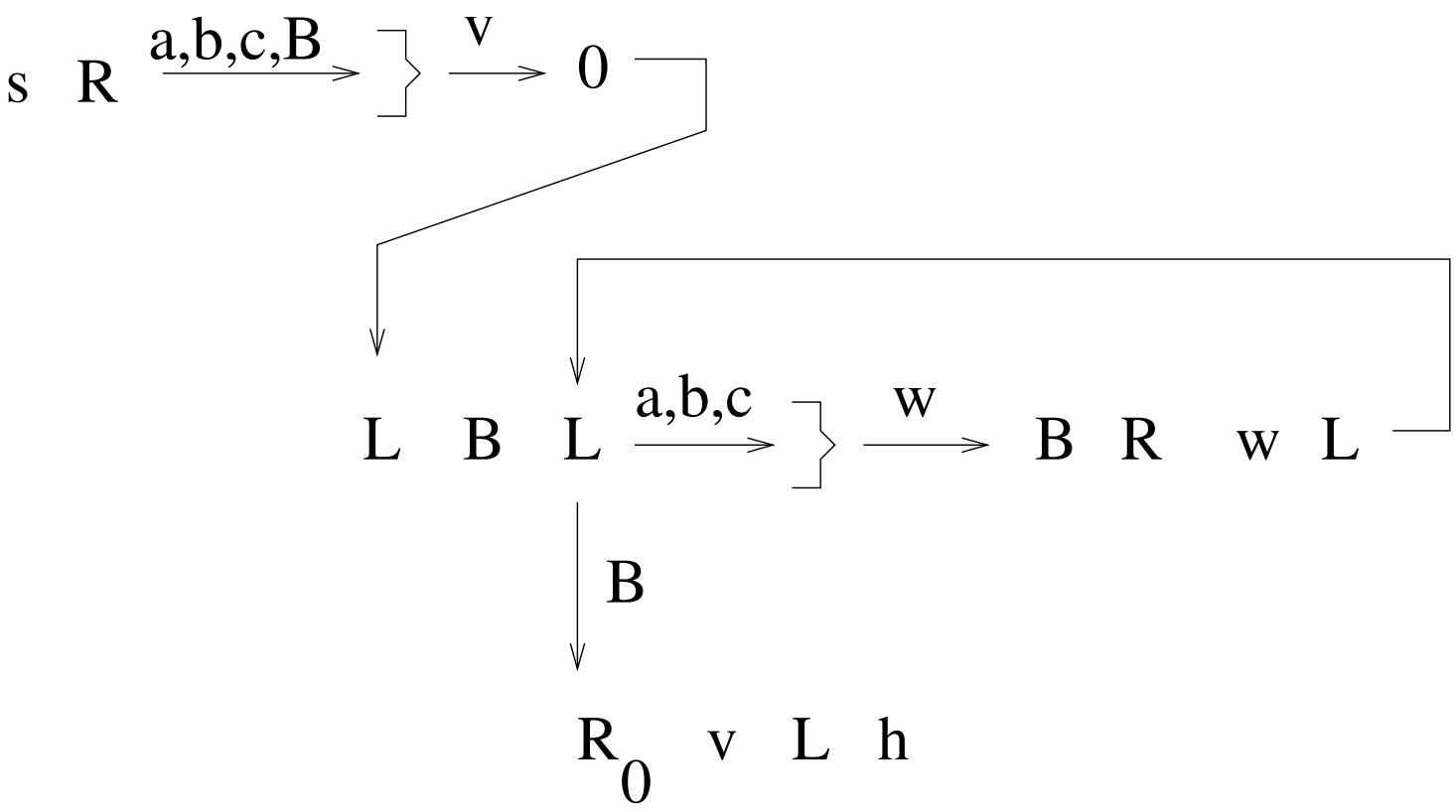
↑

end with: **aaBBbaca**

↑

Algorithm:

- **remember symbol to the right and erase it**
- **for each symbol to the left do**
  - **shift the symbol one cell to the right**
- **replace first symbol erased**
- **move tape head to appropriate position**


s R
a,b,c,B
v
0
L B L
a,b,c
w
B R w L
B
R 0 v L h

Example: Shift the string that is to the right of tape head to the left,

denote by $\mathbf{S}_L$ (shift left)

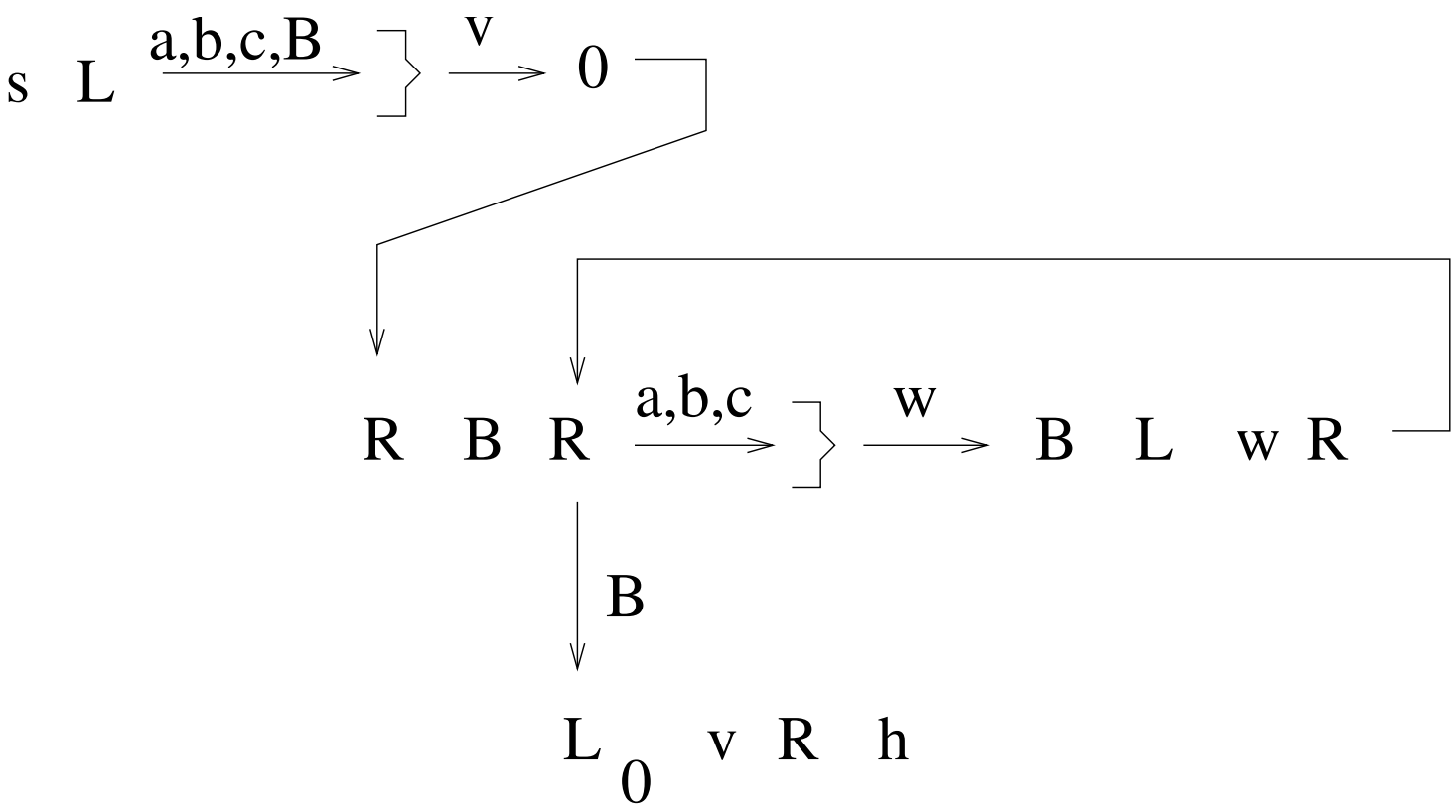
start with: **babcaBba**

↑

end with: **bacaBBba**

↑

(similar to $\mathbf{S}_R$)


s L
a,b,c,B
v
0
R B R
a,b,c
w
B L w R
B
L 0 v R h

Example: Add unary numbers

This time use shift.

Example: Multiply two unary numbers, f(x∗y)=x∗y, x and y unary numbers. Assume x,y>0.

start with:	**1111∗11**
	↑
end with:	**11111111**
	↑