



recap Goal: determine if program  $P$  halts on input  $x$

① construct a program to determine this.

```
def Test Halt (P, x):  
    if P halts on x  
        return true  
    if P loops forever on x  
        return false
```

② now construct another program

```
def Turing (P):
```

① if Test Halt (P, P) = true  
 loop forever

② else  
 halt

"switching  
the outcomes"

programs are strings so they  
can also be inputs.

③ analyze Turing (Turing)

if  $T(T)$  halted, we know  
it went into case ②

but the conditional for case ②  
is Turing halting on input  
Turing.

if  $T(T)$  looped, we know  
it went to case ①

but being in case ① means  
Turing (Turing) halted.

So Test Halt cannot exist.



# recap

## Easier Halting Problem?

```
def TestEZ Halt (P):  
    if P halts on 0:  
        return true  
    if P loops on 0:  
        return false
```

We claim Test EZ Halt works for any program!  
let's see if it can exist.

trying to reduce Halting Problem to TestEZ Halt

well then, we could just solve the Halting Problem.

```
def TestHalt (P, x):  
    def P' (y):  
        P(x)  
    return TestEZ Halt (P')  
    running TestEZ Halt will also check for us if P(x) halted or not.
```

We know this is not possible, So TestEZ Halt cannot exist either.