

## Solution to Homework 39

**Problem.** What can you say about the Kolmogorov complexity of the string 100100... in which the sequence 100 is repeated 2025 times?

**Solution.** Kolmogorov complexity of a string  $x$  is the length of the shortest program that computes this string. The given string  $x$  can be generated by the following program:

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for(i = 1; i <= 2025; i++)
    System.out.print("100");
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that has length 56. Thus, the Kolmogorov complexity  $K(x)$  – i.e., the length of the shortest program for computing this string – must be smaller than or equal to 56:  $K(x) \leq 56$ .