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Problems that Defy Computation

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Humans have collectively become very proficient at making machines that perform computations for us. These machines can store vast amounts of information, and perform calculations faster than I can adequately describe in this paragraph. We often have a sense that any problem can be solved when given enough time and computing power. However, this is not always the case. Through sampling a few problems we will investigate the practical and theoretical limits of computation.

