

Theory of Computation, Fall 2022  
Assignment 12 (Due December 19 Monday 10:00am)

Q1. According to the recursive definition we presented in the class, what is the value of  $div(m, 0)$ ?

Q2. Let  $f : \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \mathcal{N}$  be a primitive recursive function. Define  $F : \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \mathcal{N}$  to be

$$F(n) = f(f(\dots f(n) \dots))$$

where there are  $n$  compositions. For example,  $F(0) = f(0)$  and  $F(1) = f(f(1))$ . Show that  $F$  is primitive recursive.

Q3. Show that for any  $k \geq 2$ , the following function is primitive recursive.

$$\varphi_k(n_1, \dots, n_k) = \max\{n_1, \dots, n_k\}$$

for any  $n_1, \dots, n_k \in \mathcal{N}$ .

Q4. Prove that the function  $h_p(n)$  we presented in the class is primitive recursive.