

DESIGN AND ANALYSIS ALGORITHMS

LECTURE 1

Algorithm Fundamentals

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Lecture outline

- ❑ Some key concepts
 - Problem
 - Algorithm + Data Structure \Rightarrow Program
- ❑ Brief about the Complexity and Analysis of Algorithm
- ❑ Turing Machine
- ❑ Primitive Recursive Function
- ❑ Exercises

Some key concepts

- ✓ Problem
 - ✓ Algorithm
 - ✓ Data Structure
 - ✓ Program
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Problem

- ❑ Problem in informatics/computer science
 - A class of problems with the same specification.
 - Example:
 - Solving: $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ not $2x^2 + 5x + 3 = 0$.
 - Find path from city **A** to city **B** on a map.
 - **A problem = <Inputs, Outputs>**
 - ❑ Can the problem be solve?
 - ❑ How difficult is the problem?
 - ❑ How to model real-life problems to algorithmic problems?
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Algorithm

❑ Algorithm:

Is a finite sequence of instructions (well-defined, computer-implementable) for solving a problem.



❑ Features of algorithms

- Generality: must apply to a set of defined inputs;
 - Finiteness: must stop after certain instructions;
 - Definiteness: must give a unique result of the problem;
 - Effectiveness: should use suitable time and resource.
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Algorithm

- ❑ Expressing algorithms
 - Human language;
 - Flowcharts;
 - Pseudo-code.

Algorithm

- ❑ Expressing algorithms
 - Human language;
 - Flowcharts;
 - **Pseudo-code.**
 - Example:

Euclid's algorithm

Step 1 If $n = 0$, return the value of m as the answer and stop; otherwise, proceed to Step 2.
Step 2 Divide m by n and assign the value of the remainder to r
Step 3 Assign the value of n to m and the value of r to n .
Go to Step 1.

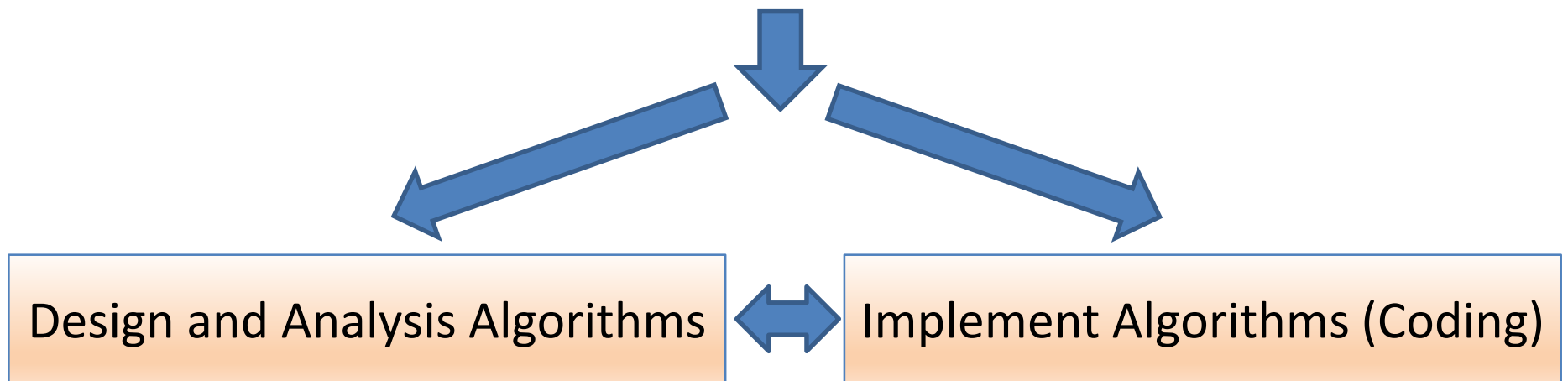
[Anany's book P32]

ALGORITHM *Euclid*(m, n)

//Computes $\text{gcd}(m, n)$ by Euclid's algorithm
//Input: Two nonnegative, not-both-zero integers m and n
//Output: Greatest common divisor of m and n
while $n \neq 0$ **do**
 $r \leftarrow m \bmod n$
 $m \leftarrow n$
 $n \leftarrow r$
return m

Algorithm

- ❑ Research on algorithms
 - Solving problem by algorithmic: which problem can be solved by the algorithm, which cannot.
 - Algorithm Optimization: Find better algorithms.
 - Algorithm Implementation: Implement algorithms on computers.



Data Structure

- ❑ Algorithms operate on data (input, output, temporary).
 - ⇒ The ways of organizing data play a **critical role** in the design and analysis of algorithms.
 - ❑ **Data structure** is a particular way of storing and organizing data in a computer so that it can be used efficiently.
 - ❑ General abstract data types (ADT): arrays, files, lists, stacks, queues, trees, graphs,...
 - Specification
 - Implementation ↔ Algorithm
 - Application
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Program

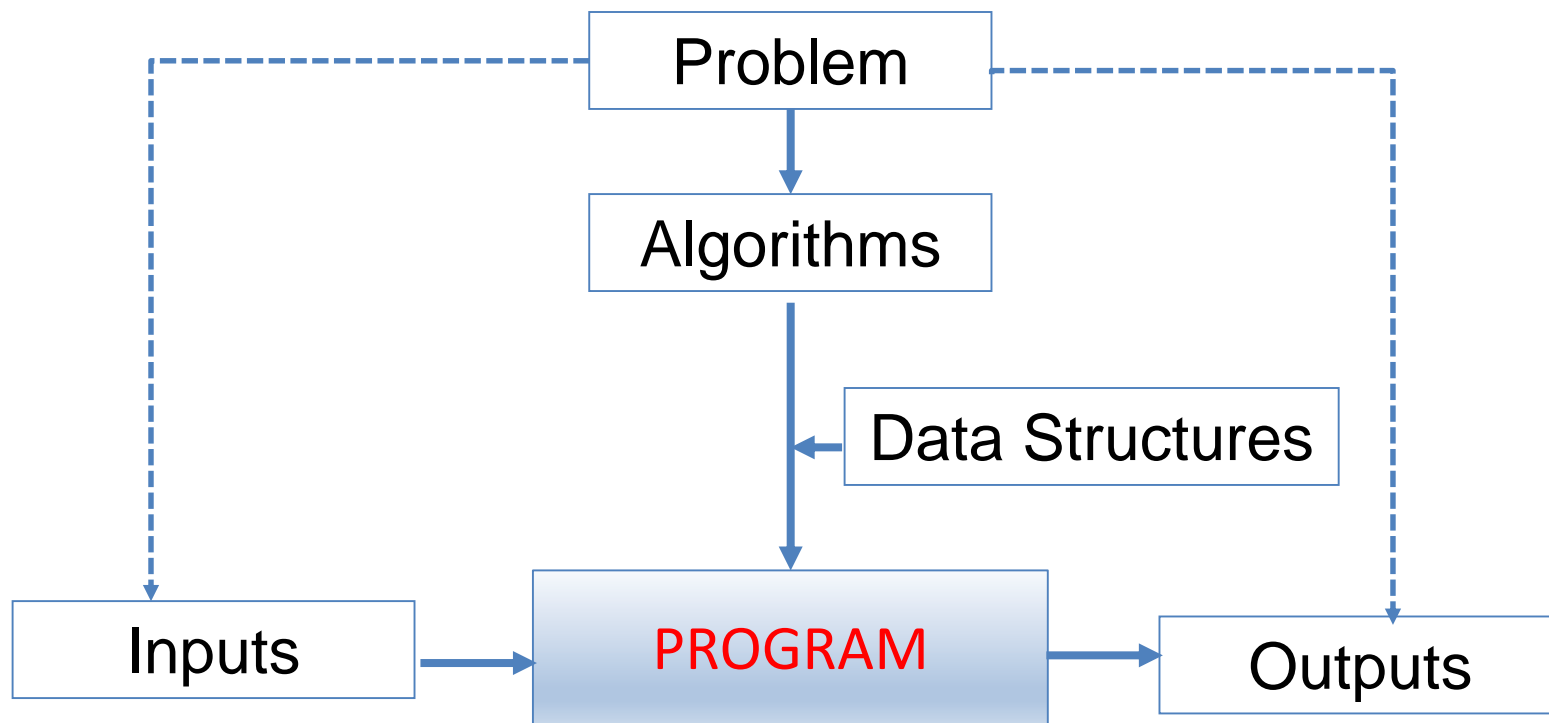
- ❑ A computer program is a collection of **instructions** (written by a programmer) in a **programming language** to perform specific tasks for **solving problem**.

Programs = Algorithms + Data Structures

(Niklaus Wirth)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Niklaus_Wirth

Solving problem on Computer



Complexity and Analysis of Algorithm

- ✓ Design Algorithms
 - ✓ Analyze Algorithms
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Design Algorithms

- ❑ Design Algorithm \Leftrightarrow How to find suitable algorithm?
 - Algorithms for specific problem.
 - Algorithm design techniques (Strategy/Paradigm/Method)
 - ❑ Some basic algorithm design techniques :
 - Divide-and-Conquer – *Chia để trị*
 - Back-Tracking – *Quay lui*
 - Branch-and-Bound - Nhánh cận
 - Greedy – *Tham lam*
 - Dynamic Programming – *Quy hoạch động*
 - Approximation – *Xấp xỉ*
 - Heuristics
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Analyze Algorithms

- ❑ How to believe the algorithm?
 - Proving the **Correctness** – Chứng minh tính đúng.
- ❑ How to compare the algorithms?
 - Assessing the Effectiveness – Đánh giá tính hiệu quả.

Effectiveness: Two kinds of algorithm efficiency

- Time efficiency - how fast the algorithm runs?
 - ⇒ **Time complexity** – Độ phức tạp thời gian.
 - Space efficiency - how much extra memory it uses?
 - ⇒ **Space complexity** – Độ phức tạp không gian.
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Analyze Algorithms

- Example: Compare two sorting algorithms with $n=10^6$ items.
 - *Insertion sort* has the time complexity $c_1 n^2$.
 - *Merge sort* has the time complexity $c_2 n \log n$.

A little injustice:

- *Insertion sort* with $c_1=2$, and speed 10^9 flops
$$T_{\text{Ins}} = 2 \cdot (10^6)^2 \text{ flop} / 10^9 \text{ flops} = 2000 \text{ (s)}$$
- *Merge sort* with $c_2=50$, and speed 10^7 flops
$$T_{\text{Mer}} = 50 \cdot (10^6 \log 10^6) \text{ flop} / 10^7 \text{ flops} \approx 100 \text{ (s)}$$

Merge faster than *Insertion* 20 times

If n increase to 10^7 items the results is 2.3 days vs 13 minutes (!)

Analyze Algorithms

- The complexity of some sorting algorithms

Algorithm	Worst Case	Best Case	In-place	Stable
Selection Sort	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	Yes	No
Insertion Sort	$O(n^2)$	$O(n)$	Yes	Yes
Bubble Sort	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	Yes	Yes
Bubble Sort 2	$O(n^2)$	$O(n)$	Yes	Yes
Quick Sort	$O(n^2)$	$O(n \log n)$	Yes	No
Merge Sort	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n \log n)$	No	Yes
Shuffle Sort (Trộn ngẫu nhiên)	?	?		

Analyze Algorithms

❑ Two ways for analyzing the algorithm

■ By Experimental

Code – Run – Capture the complexity indicators.

Pros: Can analyze all programable algorithm.

Cons: Depend on platform (hardware & software).

■ By Theoretical

Use mathematic tool to express the complexity as functions of input data size.

Pros: Not depend on platform; can do with large input data size.

Cons: Complicates.

Turing Machine

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- ✓ Turing Machine Description
 - ✓ Turing Machine Structure
 - ✓ Turing Machine Example
 - ✓ Church-Turing thesis
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Turing Machine Description

- ❑ A Turing machine is designed as the simplest computing machine, but capable of simulating any algorithm. It is a mathematical concept invented by Alan Turing in 1936.

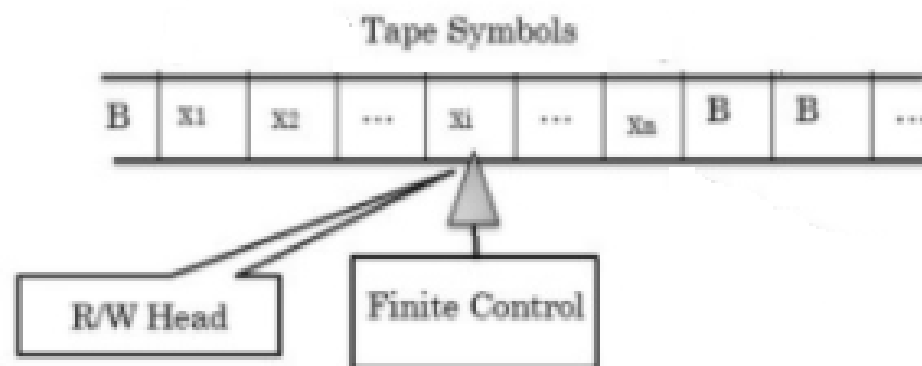
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Turing_machine

- ❑ Alan Mathison Turing (1912–1954) was an English logician, mathematician, cryptanalyst. He is considered to be the father of computer science and artificial intelligence.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alan_Turing

Turing Machine Structure

- Physical description: Turing machine consisted of
 - *An infinite long tape*, on which symbols could be printed.
 - *A read/write head* that can read and write symbols on the tape and move the tape left and right one cell at a time.
 - *A set of state* that stores the states and a *finite table of instruction* control the *head* machine.



Turing Machine Structure

- ❑ Turing machine operation:
 - Set input on the tape.
 - The read/write head moves along the tape in steps by instructions until stop or halt state reached.
 - The output given by symbols on the tape.

Demonstration of [Turing Machine operation](#)

(file .flv, open with VLC media player)

Turing Machine Structure

□ Formal definition:

Turing machine can be formally defined as a 4-tuple:

$$M = (K, \Sigma, \delta, s)$$

Where:

K - set of states of M . $s, h \in K$ are predefined states (start, halt).

Σ - set of symbols/characters of M .

$K \cap \Sigma = \emptyset$ and $\blacktriangleright, \blacksquare \in \Sigma$ are predefined symbols (begin, end)

δ is transition function formed as partial function:

$$\delta : K \times \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma \times K \times \{ \rightarrow, \leftarrow, - \}.$$

$$\delta(t, k) = (k_1, t_1, \{ \rightarrow / \leftarrow / - \})$$

- Replace symbol $k \rightarrow k_1$, change state $t \rightarrow t_1$;

- Move read/write head by direction $\{ \rightarrow / \leftarrow / - \}$

Turing Machine Example

□ Turing Machine example: $M_1 = (K, \Sigma, \delta, s)$

Where:

$K = \{s, q, h\}$ s – start, h – halt.

$\Sigma = \{0, 1, \blacktriangleright, \blacksquare\}$ \blacktriangleright - begin, \blacksquare - end

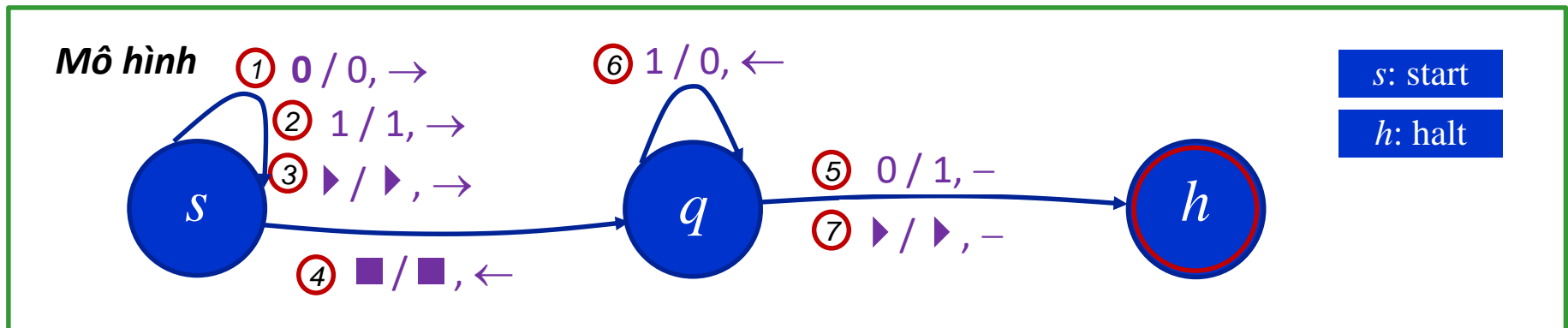
Table of transition functions δ :

STT	t	k	$\delta(t, k) = (k_1, t_1, \{\rightarrow / \leftarrow / -\})$
1	s	0	(0 , s, \rightarrow)
2	s	1	(1 , s, \rightarrow)
3	s	\blacktriangleright	(\blacktriangleright , s, \rightarrow)
4	s	\blacksquare	(\blacksquare , q, \leftarrow)
5	q	0	(1 , h, $-$)
6	q	1	(0 , q, \leftarrow)
7	q	\blacktriangleright	(\blacktriangleright , h, $-$)

Turing Machine Example

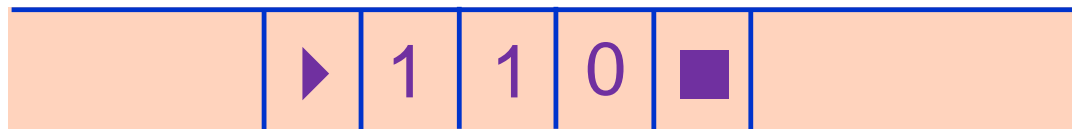
Operation of M_1

[Demo](#)



Hoạt động

$n=101 \xrightarrow{M1} 110 = n+1$



Step	Func
1	③
2	②
3	①
4	②
5	④
6	⑥
7	⑤
8	-

Turing Machine Example

□ Operation of M_1 :

Operate with other inputs:

- $n = 1001$ Result: output value, number of steps?
- $n = 1011$ Result: output value, number of steps?

Unexpected instance of M_1 and solution: M_1 with input:

- $n = 11$ Result: output value, number of steps?

What trouble?

Improve M_1 ?

Chusch -Turing thesis

□ The Turing machine as a computational model

- Turing machines can be used to simulate any algorithm that can be performed with a computer.
- Turing machine is an efficient model for describing the functionality of computer processors.

“Turing Machine \equiv Algorithm”

□ Church-Turing thesis and the variations:

- “A function on the natural numbers can be calculated by an effective method if and only if it is computable by a Turing machine”.
- A variation of the thesis: If a problem can be solved by a finite and definite instructions, then it can be solved with a computer program.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Church%E2%80%93Turing_thesis

Turing Machine and Algorithm

□ Turing Machine and Conway's Game of Life

P. Rendell, *Turing Machine Universality of the Game of Life*, Complexity and Computation 18, Springer 2016, DOI 10.1007/978-3-319-19842-2_2

Play Game of life online: <https://playgameoflife.com/>

Primitive Recursive Function

- ✓ Introduction PRF
 - ✓ PRF definitions
 - ✓ Prove a function is PRF
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Primitive Recursive Function

- ❑ Definition: Primitive Recursive Function (PRF) are among the number-theoretic functions. These functions take n arguments (n -ary), which are the natural numbers (nonnegative integers) $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ to the natural numbers.
- ❑ Primitive recursive function is computable. Mean exist a Turing machine M to compute the value of function f if f is a PRF.

Reference link:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Primitive_recursive_function

Primitive Recursive Function

- The basic primitive recursive functions are given:
 - **Constant function:** The 0-ary constant function 0 is PRF.
 - **Successor function:** The 1-ary successor function S , which returns the successor of its argument is PRF.
 $S(x) = x + 1$.
 - **Projection function:** For every $n \geq 1$ and each i with $1 \leq i \leq n$, the n -ary projection function P_i^n , which returns its i -th argument, is PRF.
 $(P_i^n(x_1, \dots, x_i, \dots, x_n) = x_i)$

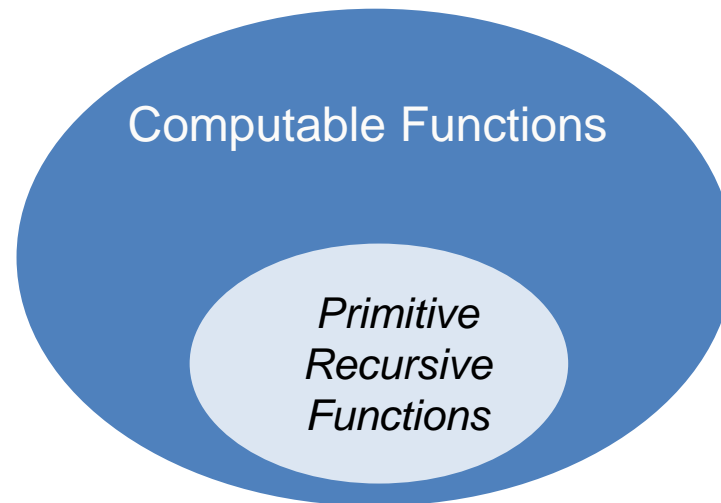
Primitive Recursive Function

- More complex PRF obtained by applying the operations:
 - **Composition:** Given f is a k -ary PRF, and g_1, \dots, g_k are k m -ary PRF, the composition of f with g_1, \dots, g_k , i.e. the m -ary $h(x_1, \dots, x_m) = f(g_1(x_1, \dots, x_m), \dots, g_k(x_1, \dots, x_m))$ is PRF.
 - **Primitive recursion:** Given f , a k -ary PRF, and g , a $(k+2)$ -ary PRF, the $(k+1)$ -ary function h is defined as the primitive recursion of f and g :
 $h(0, x_1, \dots, x_k) = f(x_1, \dots, x_k)$ and
 $h(S(n), x_1, \dots, x_k) = g(h(n, x_1, \dots, x_k), n, x_1, \dots, x_k)$ is PRF

Primitive Recursive Function

□ Identifications:

- PRFs are computable, mean exist a Turing machine or algorithm to compute the value of the function.
- But set of PRF are not all the computable fuctions



Primitive Recursive Function

□ Some provable PRFs:

- Addition: $\text{add}(a,b) = a+b$
- Multiplication: $\text{mul}(a,b) = a \times b$
- Exponentiation: $\text{exp}(a,b) = a^b$,
- Factorial: $\text{fac}(a) = a!$
- Predecessor: $\text{pred}(a) = (a > 0 ? a-1 : 0)$
- Proper subtraction: $\text{proper_sub}(a,b) = (a \geq b ? a-b : 0)$
- Minimum: $\text{minimum}(a_1, \dots a_n)$
- Maximum: $\text{maximum}(a_1, \dots a_n)$

Primitive Recursive Function

□ Rewrite defined definitions about PRF:

(1) **Constant function:** $C = \text{const}$

(2) **Successor function:** $S(x) = x+1$

(3) **Projection function:** $P_i^n(x_1, \dots, x_i, \dots, x_n) = x_i$

(4) **Composition:** If g_1, \dots, g_k are m -ary PRF and f is k -ary PRF then:

$h(x_1, \dots, x_m) = f(g_1(x_1, \dots, x_m), \dots, g_k(x_1, \dots, x_m))$ is PRF.

(5) **Primitive recursion:** If f, g are k -ary and $k+2$ -ary, and h is $k+1$ -ary function such:

$h(0, x_1, \dots, x_k) = f(x_1, \dots, x_k),$

$h(S(n), x_1, \dots, x_k) = g(h(n, x_1, \dots, x_k), n, x_1, \dots, x_k),$ is a PRF.

Primitive Recursive Function

□ Example of proving a function is PRF:

Addition: $\text{add}(a,b) = a+b$

Prove add function is a PRF?

- $\text{add}(0,b) = 0 + b = b = P_1^1(b)$ is PRF since P is PRF (1)
- $\text{add}(a+1,b) = a+1+b = a+b+1 = \text{add}(a,b)+1$
 $= S(\text{add}(a,b)) = S(P_1^3(\text{add}(a,b), a, b))$
is PRF since S, P are PRFs and Composition (2)
- From (1) and (2) get add is PRF by Primitive recursion.

Exercises

- ❑ Build Turing Machine
 - ❑ Prove Primitive Recursive Function
 - ❑ Problem specification, design algorithm and program.
 - ❑ More detail in [Hw1_AlgorithmFundamental.doc](#)
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