

# Lab03-Recursive Function

CS363-Computability Theory, Xiaofeng Gao, Spring 2016

\* Please upload your assignment to FTP or submit a paper version on the next class

\* If there is any problem, please contact: nongeek.zv@gmail.com

\* Name: Zhang Yu Peng   StudentId: 5130309468   Email: 845113336@qq.com

1. Show that the following functions are primitive recursive:

$$(a) \text{ half}(n) = \begin{cases} \frac{n}{2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is even,} \\ \frac{n-1}{2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

**Proof:**

$$\text{half}(0) = 0$$

$$\text{half}(x+1) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{2}, & \text{if } x \text{ is even,} \\ \frac{x+1}{2}, & \text{if } x \text{ is odd.} \end{cases} = \begin{cases} \text{half}(x), & \text{if } x \text{ is even,} \\ \text{half}(x) + 1, & \text{if } x \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

So, the function is primitive recursive.

- (b)  $\max\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$  = the maximum of  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ .

**Proof:**

For  $n = 2$ ,  $\max\{x_1, x_2\} = x + (y \dot{-} x)$ , it's computable.

Assume that for  $n = k$ , the function is computable, then for  $n = k+1$ ,  $\max\{x_1, \dots, x_k, x_{k+1}\} = \max\{\max\{x_1, \dots, x_k\}, x_{k+1}\}$ .

- (c)  $f(x)$  = the sum of all prime divisors of  $x$ .

**Proof:**

$f(x) = \sum_{y < x+1} y \text{Pr}(y) \text{div}(y, x)$ , so the function is computable.

- (d)  $g(x) = x^x$ .

**Proof:**

$g(x) = \text{power}(x, x)$ , so the function is computable.

2. Show the computability of the following functions by minimalisation.

- (a)  $f^{-1}(x)$ , if  $f(x)$  is a total injective computable function.

**Proof:**

$$f^{-1}(x) = \mu y (f(y) - x = 0)$$

So, the function is computable.

- (b)  $f(a) = \begin{cases} \text{the least non-negative integral root of } p(x) - a & (a \in \mathbb{N}), \\ \text{undefined if there's no such root,} \end{cases}$

where  $p(x)$  is a polynomial with integer coefficients.

**Proof:**

$$f(a) = \mu y (p(y) - a = 0)$$

So, the function is computable.

$$(c) f(x, y) = \begin{cases} x/y & \text{if } y \neq 0 \text{ and } y|x, \\ \text{undefined} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

**Proof:**  $f(x, y) = \mu z(\text{mult}(y, z) - x = 0)$

So, the function is computable.

3. Let  $\pi(x, y) = 2^x(2y + 1) - 1$ . Show that  $\pi$  is a computable bijection from  $\mathbb{N}^2$  to  $\mathbb{N}$ , and that the functions  $\pi_1, \pi_2$  such that  $\pi(\pi_1(z), \pi_2(z)) = z$  for all  $z$  are computable.

**Proof:**

First, we proof the injective: suppose that  $\pi(x_1, y_1) = 2^{x_1}(2y_1 + 1) - 1, \pi(x_2, y_2) = 2^{x_2}(2y_2 + 1) - 1$ , when  $\pi(x_1, y_1) = \pi(x_2, y_2)$ , we have  $2^{x_1}(2y_1 + 1) - 1 = 2^{x_2}(2y_2 + 1) - 1$ , which is  $\frac{2^{x_2}}{2^{x_1}} = \frac{2y_2+1}{2y_1+1}$ . We can easily see that the right side of the equation is an odd number, so if the equation is right, that means  $2^{x_2-x_1}$  is an odd number, so  $2^{x_2-x_1} = 1, x_1 = x_2$ , then  $y_1 = y_2$ . So the function is injective.

Second, we proof the surjective: if  $z$  is an even number, then  $\pi(0, z/2) = z$  can map to  $z$ . if  $z$  is an odd number,  $z + 1$  is an even number, let  $2^x$  is the max number that  $2^x|(z + 1)$ , so  $\pi(x, (\frac{z+1}{2^x} - 1)/2) = z$ , so the function is surjective.

So, the function is bijective.

Third, due to the results above, we can see  $\pi_1(z) = (\mu y < (z + 1)(\text{div}(\text{power}(2, y), z + 1) = 0) - 1), \pi_2(z) = (qt(2, qt(\text{power}(2, \pi_1(z))), z + 1) - 1)$ , so the function is computable.

4. Show that the following function is primitive recursive (with the help of  $\pi(x, y)$ , perhaps):

$$\begin{aligned} f(0) &= 1, \\ f(1) &= 1, \\ f(n+2) &= f(n) + f(n+1). \end{aligned}$$

**Proof:**

Define  $g(n) = \text{power}(2, f(n))\text{power}(3, f(n+1))$  and  $\pi_3(z) = (\mu y < (z+1)(\text{div}(\text{power}(3, y), z+1) = 0) - 1)$ , so  $f(n) = \pi_1(g(n)), f(n+1) = \pi_3(g(n))$ .

Then,

$$g(0) = 6$$

$$\begin{aligned} g(n+1) &= \text{power}(2, f(n+1))\text{power}(3, f(n+2)) = \text{power}(2, f(n+1))\text{power}(3, f(n+1) + f(n)) = \\ &= \text{power}(2, \pi_3(g(n)))\text{power}(3, \pi_3(g(n)) + \pi_2(g(n))) \end{aligned}$$

So, the function is primitive recursion.

5. Coding Technology.

Any number  $x \in \mathbb{N}$  has a unique expression as

$$(1) x = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \alpha_i 2^i, \text{ with } \alpha_i = 0 \text{ or } 1, \text{ for all } i.$$

Hence, if  $x > 0$ , there are unique expressions for  $x$  in the forms

$$(2) x = 2^{b_1} + 2^{b_2} + \dots + 2^{b_l}, \text{ with } 0 \leq b_1 < b_2 < \dots < b_l \text{ and } l \geq 1, \text{ and}$$

$$(3) x = 2^{a_1} + 2^{a_1+a_2+1} + \dots + 2^{a_1+a_2+\dots+a_k+k-1}. \text{ (The expression (3) is a way of regarding } x \text{ as coding the sequence } (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_l) \text{ of numbers)}$$

Show that each of the functions  $\alpha, l, b, a$  defined below is computable.

$$(a) \alpha(i, x) = \alpha_i \text{ as in the expression (1);}$$

**Proof:**

$$\alpha(i, x) = rm(2, qt(power(2, i), x))$$

So the function is computable.

$$(b) \quad l(x) = \begin{cases} l \text{ as in (2),} & \text{if } x > 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise;} \end{cases}$$

**Proof:**

$$l(x) = \sum_{i < x+1} (\alpha(i, x))$$

So, the function is computable.

$$(c) \quad b(i, x) = \begin{cases} b_i \text{ as in (2),} & \text{if } x > 0 \text{ and } 1 \leq i \leq l, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise;} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbf{Proof:} \quad b(i, x) = \mu z < (x+1) (\sum_{j < z+1} \alpha(j, x) - i = 0) sg(x) sg(i) \bar{sg}(i+1 \dot{-} l(x))$$

so, the function is computable.

$$(d) \quad a(i, x) = \begin{cases} a_i \text{ as in (3),} & \text{if } x > 0 \text{ and } 1 \leq i \leq l, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise;} \end{cases}$$

**Proof:**

We can see that  $x = 2^{a_1}(1 + 2^{a_2+1}(\dots(1 + 2^{a_l+1})))$

Define  $g(x) = (\mu y < (x)(div(power(2, y), x) = 0) \dot{-} 1)$ ,  $h(x) = qt(power(2, g(x)), x)$

Define

$$F(x, 0) = 2x + 1$$

$$F(x, i+1) = h(F(x, i) \dot{-} 1)$$

So,  $F(x, i \dot{-} 1) = 2^{a_1}(1 + 2^{a_2+1}(\dots(1 + 2^{a_l+1})))$ , then:

$$a(i, x) = g(qt(2, F(x, i \dot{-} 1) \dot{-} 1)) sg(x) sg(i) \bar{sg}(i+1 \dot{-} l(x))$$