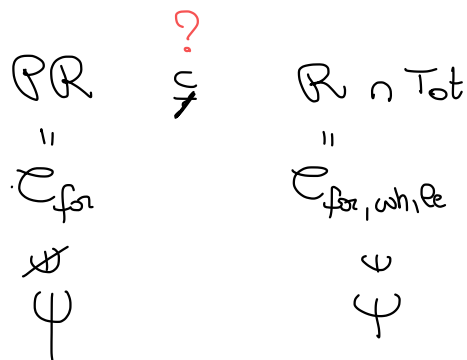


* Primitive Recursive Functions

PR = class of functions obtainable from the BASIC functions using

- ① composition
- ② primitive recursion \leftarrow for-loop
- ③ ~~minimisation~~ **forbidden!** \leftarrow while-loop



Ackermann's functions

$$h(\vec{x}, y+1) \leftarrow h(\vec{x}, y)$$

$$\psi: \mathbb{N}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \psi(0, y) = y+1 \\ \psi(x+1, 0) = \psi(x, 1) \\ \psi(x+1, y+1) = \psi(x, \psi(x+1, y)) \end{array} \right.$$

$$\begin{array}{l} (x+1, 0) >_{\text{lex}} (x, 1) \\ (x+1, y+1) >_{\text{lex}} (x+1, y) \\ >_{\text{lex}} (x, -) \end{array}$$

$$(\mathbb{N}^2, \leq_{\text{lex}}) \quad (x, y) \leq_{\text{lex}} (x', y') \quad \text{if} \quad x < x' \\
 \text{or} \quad x = x' \quad \text{and} \quad y \leq y'$$

$$(1000, 1000000) \leq_{\text{lex}} (1001, 0)$$

$$(1000, 100000) >_{\text{lex}} (1000, 0)$$

\mathbb{Z}

↑

$f(-1)$

$\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ -2 \\ \vdots \end{array}$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \geq 0 \\ f(x-1) & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

* partially ordered sets (poset)

(D, \leq)

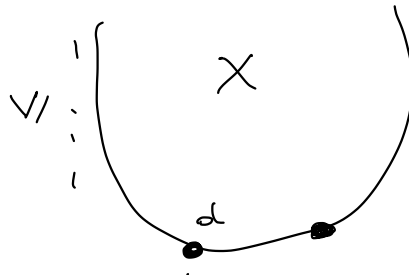
\leq reflexive
antisymmetric
transitive

$$x \leq x$$

$x \leq y$ and $y \leq x$ then $x = y$
 $x \leq y$ and $y \leq z$ then $x \leq z$

* well founded posets

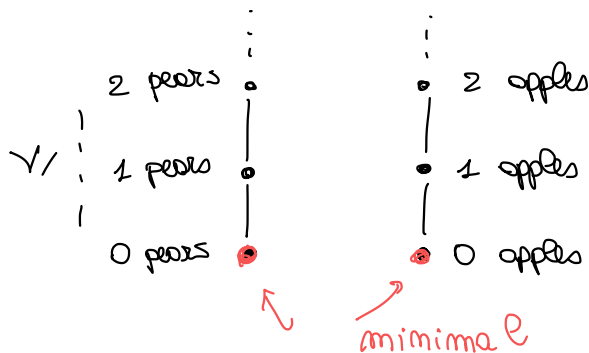
(D, \leq) is well-founded if $\forall X \subseteq D, X \neq \emptyset$ has a minimal element



$d \in X$

$\forall d' \in X$ if $d' \leq d$
 $\Rightarrow d' = d$

$$D = \{ (\text{pears}, m), (\text{apples}, m) \mid m \in \mathbb{N} \}$$



$(x, y) \leq (x', y')$ if
 $x = x'$ and $y \leq y'$

\mathbb{Z} is not well-founded, \mathbb{N} is

NOTE: (D, \leq) is well-founded iff there is no infinite descending chain

$$d_0 > d_1 > d_2 > \dots$$

[exercise]

* $(\mathbb{N}^2, \leq_{lex})$ is well-founded

let $X \subseteq \mathbb{N}^2, X \neq \emptyset$

$$x_0 = \min \{ x \mid \exists y \in \mathbb{N}. (x, y) \in X \}$$

$$y_0 = \min \{ y \mid (x_0, y) \in X \}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x_0, y_0) = \min X$$

* INDUCTION $P(n) \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$

$P(0)$ and (assuming $P(n)$ \leadsto prove $P(n+1)$)

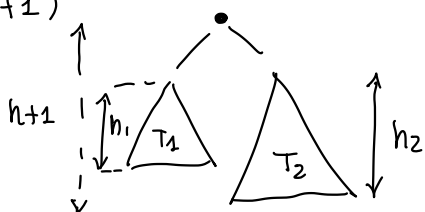
* A binary tree with height h has at most $2^{h+1} - 1$ nodes

$P(h)$

$(h=0)$

$$\text{number of nodes} = 1 \leq 2^{0+1} - 1 = 2 - 1 = 1$$

$(h \rightarrow h+1)$



either h_1 or h_2 is h

$$h_1 = h$$

$$h_2 = ?$$

* Complete Induction : to prove that $\forall n. P(n)$

prove : assuming $\forall n' < n \quad P(n')$

you deduce $P(n)$

* Well-founded Induction :

(D, \leq) well-founded partial order

$P(x)$ property of elements of D

if for all $d \in D$, assuming $P(d')$ for $d' < d$

I can conclude that $P(d)$

\Downarrow

$$\forall d \in D \quad P(d)$$

① ψ is total

$$\forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{N}^2 \quad \psi(x, y) \downarrow$$

we proceed by well-founded induction on $(\mathbb{N}^2, \leq_{\text{lex}})$

proof

let $(x, y) \in \mathbb{N}^2$, assume $\forall (x', y') <_{\text{lex}} (x, y) \quad \psi(x', y') \downarrow$

we want to prove $\psi(x, y) \downarrow$

we have 3 cases

$$(x=0) \quad \psi(0, y) = y+1 \downarrow$$

$$(x>0, y=0) \quad \psi(x, 0) = \underbrace{\psi(x-1, 1)}_{(x-1, 1) <_{\text{lex}} (x, 0)} \downarrow$$

$$(x-1, 1) <_{\text{lex}} (x, 0)$$

$\Rightarrow \psi(x-1, 1) \downarrow$ by ind. hyp

$$(x>0, y>0) \quad \psi(x, y) = \psi(x-1, \underbrace{\psi(x, y-1)}_{(x, y-1) <_{\text{lex}} (x, y)})$$

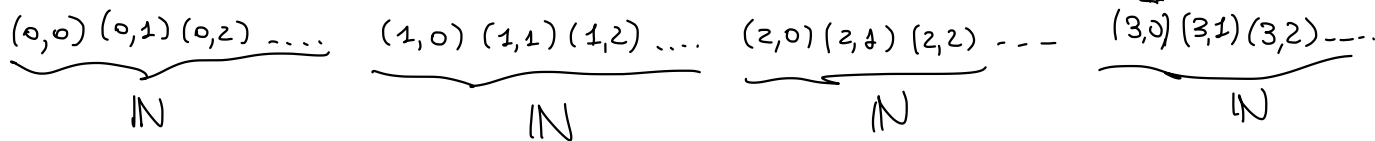
$$(x, y-1) <_{\text{lex}} (x, y)$$

$\Rightarrow \psi(x, y-1) \downarrow$ by ind. hyp.
 $= u$

$$= \psi(x-1, u) \downarrow \quad \leftarrow \text{by ind hyp}$$

$$(x-1, u) <_{\text{lex}} (x, y)$$

$$(\mathbb{N}^2, \leq_{\text{lex}})$$



② $\psi \in \mathcal{R} = \mathcal{O}$

$$\psi(1, 1) = \psi(0, \underbrace{\psi(1, 0)}_{\substack{\psi(0, 1) \\ 2}}) = \overbrace{\psi(0, 2)}^3$$

$$(\underline{1}, \underline{1}, 3) \quad (1, 0, 2) \quad (0, 1, 2) \quad (0, 2, 3)$$

$$(x, y, \psi(x, y))$$

valid set of triples $S \subseteq \mathbb{N}^3$

$$(x, y, z) \in S$$

$$- \quad z = \psi(x, y)$$

- S contains also all the triples needed to compute $\psi(x, y)$

formally: $S \subseteq \mathbb{N}^3$ is valid

$$\textcircled{1} \quad (0, y, z) \in S \Rightarrow z = y + 1$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad (x+1, 0, z) \in S \Rightarrow (x, 1, z) \in S$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad (x+1, y+1, z) \in S \Rightarrow \exists u \quad \begin{aligned} (x+1, y, u) &\in S \\ (x, u, z) &\in S \end{aligned}$$

you can prove that $\forall (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{N}^3$

$\psi(x, y) = z$ iff there exist a valid finite set of triples $S \subseteq \mathbb{N}^3$ such that $(x, y, z) \in S$

idea:

$$\psi(x, y) = \mu (S, z) \left(\underbrace{\left((S \text{ finite valid set of triples}) \wedge (x, y, z) \in S \right)}_{\text{number}} \right)$$

$$S = \{(x_1, y_1, z_1), (x_2, y_2, z_2), \dots, (x_m, y_m, z_m)\}$$

$$\{ \pi_{k_1}(\pi_{k_2}(x_2, y_2), z_1), \dots, \pi_{k_m}(\pi_{k_m}(x_m, y_m), z_m) \}$$

$$k_1 \quad \dots \quad k_m$$

$$\bigwedge_{i=1}^m P_i^{k_i}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \psi \in \mathcal{R} = \mathcal{C}$$

By now ① ψ is total

② $\psi \in \mathcal{R} = \mathcal{C}$

③ $\psi \notin \mathcal{PR}$?

③ ψ is not primitive recursive

$$x+y \quad \begin{aligned} x+0 &= x \\ x+(y+1) &= x+y+1 \end{aligned}$$

$$x*y \quad \begin{aligned} x*0 &= 0 \\ x*(y+1) &= (x*y) + x \end{aligned}$$

$$x^y \quad \begin{aligned} x^0 &= 1 \\ x^{y+1} &= x^y * x \end{aligned}$$

\vdots

$$\psi(x, y) = \psi_x(y)$$

$$\begin{cases} \psi(0, y) = y+1 \\ \psi(x+1, 0) = \psi(x, 1) \\ \psi(x+1, y+1) = \psi\left(x, \underset{\uparrow}{\psi(x+1, y)}\right) \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \boxed{\psi_{x+1}(y)} &= \psi_x(\psi_{x+1}(y-1)) \\ &= \psi_x(\psi_x(\psi_{x+1}(y-2))) \\ &= \underbrace{\psi_x \psi_x \psi_x \dots}_y \underbrace{\psi_{x+1}(0)}_{\psi_x(1)} = \boxed{\psi_x^{y+1}(1)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\psi_0(y) = y+1$$

$$\psi_1(y) = \psi_0^{y+1}(1) = y+2$$

$$\psi_2(y) = \psi_1^{y+1}(1) = 2(y+1)+1 = 2y+3 \approx 2y$$

$$\psi_3(y) = \psi_2^{y+1}(1) \approx 2^y$$

$$\psi_4(y) = \psi_3^{y+1}(1) \approx 2^{2^{2^{\dots^2}} y}$$

$$e_0: \psi_0(1) = 2$$

$$\psi_2(1) = 5$$

$$\psi_3(1) = 13$$

$$\psi_4(1) \approx 2^{16}$$

$$\psi_4(2) \approx 2^{2^{16}} \approx 10^{6400}$$

ONE CAN PROVE: Given a function $f: \mathbb{N}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \in \mathcal{PR}$ and a program P computing f using only "for-loops" (primitive recursion) if J is the maximum level of nesting of for-loops

$$P(x_1, \dots, x_m) \downarrow \text{ in a number of steps } < \psi_{J+1}(\max\{x_i\})$$

$$\hookrightarrow f(\vec{x}) < \psi_{J+1}(\max\{x_i\})$$

Now, assume $\psi \in \mathcal{PR}$, let J be the level of nesting of for-loops (of primitive recursive defs) for computing ψ

$$\forall (x, y)$$

$$\psi(x, y) < \psi_{J+1}(\underbrace{\max\{x, y\}})$$

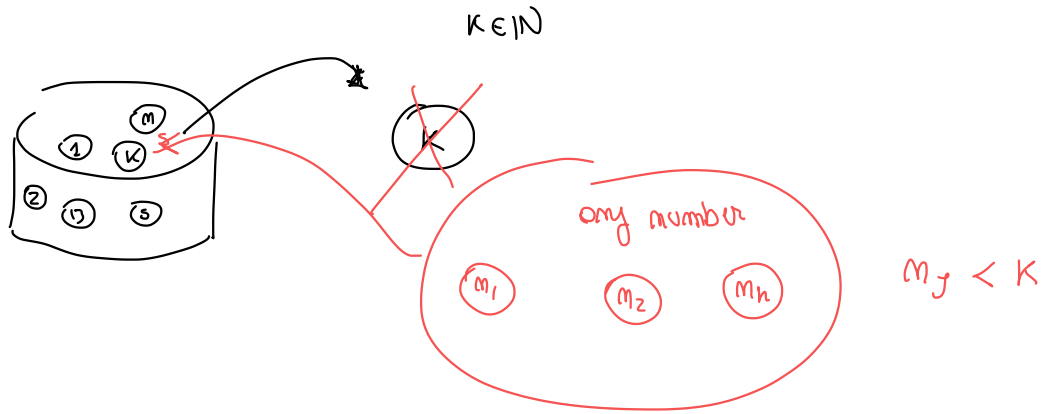
$$\text{let } x = y = J+1$$

$$\psi(J+1, J+1) < \underbrace{\psi_{J+1}(J+1)} = \psi(J+1, J+1)$$

contradiction

$$\Rightarrow \psi \notin \mathcal{PR}$$

EXERCISE



→ Does the process terminate? ←

→ Why?