

## Basic Notations

- $\phi_e$  - The e-th partial computable function (computed by program with code e)
- $\phi_e(x) \downarrow$  - The computation of  $\phi_e$  on input x terminates/converges
- $\phi_e(x) \uparrow$  - The computation of  $\phi_e$  on input x diverges
- $W_e$  - Domain of  $\phi_e$  (set of inputs where  $\phi_e$  converges)
- $E_e$  - Range/codomain of  $\phi_e$  (set of outputs produced by  $\phi_e$ )
- $H(e, x, t)$  - "Program e halts on input x within t steps" predicate
- $S(e, x, y, t)$  - "Program e outputs y on input x within t steps" predicate

## Special Sets

- $K = \{x \mid x \in W_x\}$  - The halting set (x halts on input x)
- $\bar{K}$  - Complement of K
- $\text{Tot} = \{e \mid \phi_e \text{ is total}\}$  - Set of indices of total functions

## Functions and Operators

- $\chi_a$  - Characteristic function of set A

$$\chi_a(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in A \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin A \end{cases}$$

- $sg$  - Sign function

$$sg(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$$

- $\bar{sg}$  - Complemented sign function

$$\bar{sg}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$$

# Function Composition and Operations

- $f \circ g$  - Function composition (f after g)
- $f \subseteq g$  - f is a subfunction of g
- $f \cong g$  - f and g are extensionally equal (compute same function)
- $\mu y. P(y)$  - Minimization operator (least y satisfying predicate P)

## Special Notations

- $\pi$  - Standard pairing function encoding two numbers as one
- $\pi_1, \pi_2$  - Projection functions extracting components of pair
- $\langle x, y \rangle$  - Alternative notation for pair (x,y)
- $(w)_i$  - i-th component in coding of tuple  $w$

## Program Composition

- Program concatenation is denoted by juxtaposition (PQ)
- $P[i_1, \dots, i_k \rightarrow h]$  denotes program P with:
  - Input taken from registers  $i_1, \dots, i_k$
  - Output placed in register h
  - Other registers cleared initially

This notation is used extensively in proofs related to universal functions, smn theorem, recursion theorems, and various reducibility results.