

## Exercise 7.1

(a)

$$x_1 = \text{dec}(101) = 5, \quad x_2 = \text{dec}(0) = 0, \quad x_3 = \text{dec}(11) = 3, \quad y = \text{dec}(1001) = 9$$

(b)

$$x_1 = \text{dec}(11) = 3, \quad x_2 = \text{dec}(100) = 4, \quad x_3 = \text{dec}(1) = 1, \quad y = \text{undefined}$$

## Exercise 7.2

Step 1. Check if  $n_2 = 0$ : if **true** write  $n_1 = 1$ , remove  $n_2, n_3$  from tape and terminate.

Step 2. Check if  $n_2 = 1$ : if **true** remove  $n_2, n_3$  from tape and terminate.

Step 3. Copy  $n_1$  to  $n_3$ .

Step 4.  $M_{pred_1}(n_2)$ .

Step 5.  $M_{mul}(n_1, n_3)$  and write result to  $n_1$ .

Step 6. Check if  $n_2 = 1$ : if **true** remove  $n_2, n_3$  from tape and terminate.

Step 7. Jump to Step 4.

## Exercise 7.3

To show that the composition  $(f \circ g) : \Sigma_1^* \rightarrow \Sigma_2^*$  is Turing-computable, we can build a TM that simulates the computations of  $f$  and  $g$  sequentially. This TM would work as follows:

1. Start the TM with the input  $x$ .
2. Use a Turing machine that simulates the computation of  $g$  on  $x$ . If  $g(x)$  is undefined, then halt and output *undefined*.
3. Use a Turing machine that simulates the computation of  $f$  on  $g(x)$ . If  $f(g(x))$  is undefined, then halt and output *undefined*.
4. If  $f(g(x))$  is defined, output it as the result of the composition.

Since we assume that  $f$  and  $g$  are Turing-computable, we know that there exist Turing machines that can compute  $f$  and  $g$  respectively. Therefore, we can construct a Turing machine that combines the computations of these two machines, and this new machine can compute the composition of  $f$  and  $g$  for any input. Therefore, we have shown that the composition of two Turing-computable partial functions is also Turing-computable.

## Exercise 7.4

Let  $w$  be an arbitrary string in  $A$ . Since  $A$  is a subset of  $B$ , we know that  $w$  is also in  $B$ . Similarly, since  $B$  is a subset of  $C$ , we know that  $w$  is also in  $C$ . Therefore,  $w$  is in  $A$  and in  $C$ , which implies that  $A$  is a subset of  $C$ , or  $A \leq C$ .

Thus, we have shown that if  $A \leq B$  and  $B \leq C$ , then  $A \leq C$  for any languages  $A, B$  and  $C$ . This is a result of the transitive property of set inclusion.

## Exercise 7.5

- (a) If  $R \leq L$ , and  $R$  is not decidable, then  $L$  is also not decidable. However, since  $R$  is Turing-recognizable,  $L$  must also be Turing-recognizable.
- (b) If  $L \leq U$ , and  $U$  is not Turing-recognizable, then  $L$  is also not Turing-recognizable and cannot be decidable either.
- (c) If  $D \leq L$ , and  $D$  is decidable, then we cannot tell from the given information whether  $L$  is decidable and/or Turing-recognizable.
- (d) If  $L \leq D$ , and  $D$  is decidable, then  $L$  is also decidable. However, since  $D$  is decidable, it is also Turing-recognizable. Therefore,  $L$  is both decidable and Turing-recognizable.