

Lab03-Recursive Function

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1. Show that the following functions are primitive recursive:

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

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

$$(c) f(x) = \text{the sum of all prime divisors of } x.$$

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

Solution. (a) $\text{half}(0) = 0$, $\text{half}(x+1) = \text{half}(x) + \text{rm}(2, x)$

$$(b) \max(x, y) = x \dot{-} (x \dot{-} y) \quad \max\{x, y\} = \max(x, y)$$

$$\max\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\} = \max(\max\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1}\}, x_n)$$

$$(c) f(x) = \sum_{z \leq x} \text{Pr}(\text{div}(z, x) \cdot z)$$

$$(d) g(x) = \text{power}(x, x)$$

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

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

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

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

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

Solution. (a) $f^{-1}(y) = \mu z (f(z) = y)$

$$(b) f(y) = \mu z (z^2 = p(x) - y, (z \in \mathbb{N}))$$

$$(c) f(x, y) = \mu z (|\text{mult}(z, y) - x| = 0)$$

3. Let $\pi(x, y) = 2^x(2y + 1) - 1$. Show that π is a computable bijection from \mathbb{N}^2 to \mathbb{N} , and that the functions π_1, π_2 such that $\pi(\pi_1(z), \pi_2(z)) = z$ for all z are computable.

Solution. Injective. Given that $\pi(p, q) = \pi(x, y)$, then $2^p(2q + 1) = 2^x(2y + 1)$. If $p = 0$ or $x = 0$, suppose $p = 0$, then $2q + 1$ is odd and $2^x(2y + 1)$ must be odd, so $x = 0$. If $p \neq 0$ and $x \neq 0$, then $2^p | 2^x(2y + 1)$, so $p = x$. Now that $p = x$, apparently $q = y$. It is injective.

Surjective. n is arbitrary. let 2^x be the highest power of 2 dividing $n + 1$. Then the quotient must be odd of the form $2y + 1$. So $n = 2^x(2y + 1) - 1 = \pi(x, y)$. It is surjective.

$\pi_1(n) = \mu z \leq (n + 1)(2^z > n + 1) - 1$ is computable. $\pi_2(n) = \text{qt}(2, \text{qt}(2^{\pi_1(n)}, n + 1) - 1)$ is also computable. It is easy to see that $\pi(\pi_1(n), \pi_2(n)) = n$ are computable.

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

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

Solution. Define $g(x)$ as below:

$$g(0) = \pi(1, 1)$$

$$g(x+1) = \pi(\pi_2(g(x)), \pi_1(g(x)) + \pi_2(g(x)))$$

Then $f(x) = \pi_1(g(x))$. Therefore, we can know $f(x)$ is primitive recursive.

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 α , l , b , a defined below is computable.

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

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

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

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

Solution. (a) $\alpha(i, x) = rm(2, qt(2^i, x))$ is computable.

(b) $l(x) = \sum_{i \leq x} \alpha(i, x)$ is computable.

$$(c) \ b(i, x) = \begin{cases} \mu z \leq x (\sum_{j \leq z} \alpha(j, x) - i) & \text{if } x > 0 \text{ and } 1 \leq i \leq l(x) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(d) a_i means the number of 0's between the $i-1_{th}$ 1 and i_{th} 1 between the binary x . For $x > 0$ and $1 \leq i \leq l(x)$, define

$$\begin{aligned} a(1, x) &= b(1, x) \\ a(i+1, x) &= b(i+1, x) - b(i, x) - 1 \end{aligned}$$