

**Theory of Computations,**  
**Test 1 for the course**  
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Up to 5 handwritten pages are allowed.

1. Translate, step-by-step, the following for-loop into a primitive recursive expression:

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int x = p + q;
for (int i = 1; i <= r; i++)
    {x = x * q;}
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x = 3
i = 1
x = 3 * 2 = 6
i = 2
x = 6 * 2 = 12
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You can use  $\text{add}(\dots)$  (sum) and  $\text{mult}(\dots)$  (product) in this expression.

What is the value of this function when  $p = 1$ ,  $q = 2$ , and  $r = 2$ ?

$$X(p, q, 0) = p + q$$

$$X(p, q, m+1) = X(p, q, m) * q$$

$$f(n_1, n_2, 0) = g(n_1, n_2)$$

$$f(n_1, n_2, m+1) = h(n_1, n_2, m, f(n_1, n_2, m))$$

so by comparing them, we have  $p = n_1$ ,  $q = n_2$ ,  $g = \text{add}(\pi_1^2, \pi_2^2)$

$$h = \text{mult}(\pi_1^4, \pi_2^4)$$

$$\Rightarrow X = \text{PR}(\text{add}(\pi_1^2, \pi_2^2), \text{mult}(\pi_1^4, \pi_2^4))$$

$$p = 1, q = 2, r = 2$$

$$X(1, 2, 0) = 1 + 2 = 3$$

$$X(1, 2, 1) = 3 * 2 = 6$$

$$X(1, 2, 2) = 6 * 2 = 12$$



2. Translate, step-by-step, the following for-loop into a primitive recursive expression:

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int z = p + q;
for(int i = 1; i <= r; i++)
  {for (int j = 1; j <= s; j++)
    {z = z * q;}}

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p = q = r = s = 2
z = p + q = 2 + 2 = 4
i = 1, j = 1
z = 4 * 2 = 8
i = 1, j = 2
z = 8 * 2 = 16
i = 2, j = 1
z = 16 * 2 = 32
i = 2, j = 2
z = 32 * 2 = 64

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You can use add(.,.) and mult(.,.) in this expression. What is the value of this function when p=q=r=s=2?

First, we consider the inner loop.

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int z = z0
for (int j = 1; j <= s; j++)
  {z = z * q; }

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$z(z_0, q, 0) = z_0$   
 $z(z_0, q, m+1) = z(z_0, q, m) * q$   
 $f(n_1, n_2, 0) = g(n_1, n_2)$   
 $f(n_1, n_2, m+1) = h(n_1, n_2, m, f(n_1, n_2, m))$

$\Rightarrow n_1 = z_0, n_2 = q, k = 2, g = \pi_2^2, h = mult(\pi_2^4, \pi_4^4)$

$\Rightarrow aux = PR(\pi_2^2, mult(\pi_2^4, \pi_4^4))$

Then for the outer loop.

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int z = p + q
for (int i = 1; i <= r; i++)
  {z = aux(z, q, s)}

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$\Rightarrow z(p, q, s, 0) = p + q$

$z(p, q, s, m+1) = aux(z(p, q, s, m), q, s)$

$f(n_1, n_2, n_3, 0) = g(n_1, n_2, n_3)$

$f(n_1, n_2, n_3, m+1) = h(n_1, n_2, n_3, m, f(n_1, n_2, n_3, m))$

$\Rightarrow n_1 = p, n_2 = q, n_3 = s$   
 $g = \pi_1^3 + \pi_2^3 = add(\pi_1^3, \pi_2^3)$

$\Rightarrow z = PR(add(\pi_1^3, \pi_2^3), aux(\pi_1^5, \pi_2^5, \pi_3^5))$

$h = aux(\pi_1^5, \pi_2^5, \pi_3^5)$

If  $p = q = r = s = 2$  then

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3. Translate, step-by-step, the following primitive recursive function into a for-loop:

$$f = \sigma(\text{PR}(\text{add}(\pi_2^2, \sigma(0)), \text{add}(\pi_1^4, \pi_3^4)))$$

For this function  $f$ , what is the value  $f(2, 0, 1)$ ?

$$\text{Let } F = \text{PR}(\text{add}(\pi_2^2, \sigma(0)), \text{add}(\pi_1^4, \pi_3^4))$$

$$\text{then } f = \sigma(F)$$

$$\text{from } F = \text{PR}(\text{add}(\pi_2^2, \sigma(0)), \text{add}(\pi_1^4, \pi_3^4))$$

$$\text{we have } k=2 \quad g(n_1, n_2) = \text{add}(\pi_2^2, \sigma(0)) = n_2 + 1;$$

$$h(n_1, n_2, m, F(n_1, n_2, m)) = \text{add}(\pi_1^4, \pi_3^4) = n_1 + m.$$

$$\text{int } F = n_2 + 1$$

$$\text{for (int } i=1; i \leq m; i++)$$

$$\{ F = n_1 + i - 1; \}$$

$$\text{int } f = F + 1$$

$$F(2, 0, 0) = \overset{n_2}{0} + 1 = 1$$

$$F(2, 0, 1) = \overset{n_1}{2} + \overset{m}{0} = 2$$

$$f(2, 0, 1) = F(2, 0, 1) + 1 = 2 + 1 = 3$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} F(n_1, n_2, 0) = g(n_1, n_2) \\ F(n_1, n_2, m+1) = h(n_1, n_2, m, F(n_1, n_2, m)) \end{array} \right\}$$



4-5. Prove, from scratch, that the function  $f(p, q) = p \% (q / p)$  is primitive recursive. Start with the definitions of a primitive recursive function, and use only this definition in your proof -- do not simply mention results that we proved in class, prove them.

Definition: A function is called primitive recursive if it can be obtained from  $0, \sigma$  and  $\pi_i^k$  by using composition and primitive recursion.

1.  $add(+)$  is P.R.

$int\ sum = a$   
 $for\ (int\ i = 1; i \leq b; i++)\ \{sum = sum + 1;\}$   
 $f(n, 0) = g(n)$   
 $f(n, m+1) = h(n, m, f(n, m))$   
 $\Rightarrow k=1, a=n, g = \pi_1^1, h = \sigma(\pi_3^3)$   
 $f(a, 0) = a$   
 $f(a, m+1) = f(a, m) + 1$   
 $\Rightarrow add = PR(\pi_1^1, \sigma \circ \pi_3^3)$ , so  $add(+)$  is P.R.

2.  $mult(*)$  is P.R.

$int\ mult = 0$   
 $for\ (int\ i = 1; i \leq b; i++)\ \{mult = mult + a;\}$   
 $f(n, 0) = g(n)$   
 $f(n, m+1) = h(n, m, f(n, m))$   
 $\Rightarrow k=1, a=n, g = 0, h = add(\pi_1^1, \pi_3^3)$   
 $f(a, 0) = 0$   
 $f(a, m+1) = f(a, m) + a$   
 $\Rightarrow mult = PR(0, add(\pi_1^1, \pi_3^3))$ , so  $mult(*)$  is P.R.

3.  $prev$  is P.R.

$prev(a) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } a = 0 \\ a-1 & \text{if } a = 1, 2, 3, \dots \end{cases}$   
 $f(0) = g$   
 $f(m+1) = h(m, f(m))$   
 $\Rightarrow k=0, g = 0, h = \pi_1^2$   
 $f(0) = 0$   
 $f(m+1) = m$   
 $\Rightarrow prev = PR(0, \pi_1^2)$ , so  $prev$  is P.R.

4.  $sub(-)$  is P.R.

$int\ sub = a$   
 $for\ (int\ i = 1; i \leq b; i++)\ \{sub = prev(sub);\}$   
 $f(n, 0) = g(n)$   
 $f(n, m+1) = h(n, m, f(n, m))$   
 $\Rightarrow k=1, a=n, g = \pi_1^1, h = prev \circ \pi_3^3$   
 $f(a, 0) = a$   
 $f(a, m+1) = prev(f(a, m))$   
 $\Rightarrow sub = PR(\pi_1^1, prev \circ \pi_3^3)$ , so  $sub(-)$  is P.R.

5.  $And(\&\&)$  is P.R.

$a \setminus b$	0	1
0	0	0
1	0	1

$so\ a \&\& b = a * b$ , since  $*$  is P.R.  
 $so\ \&\&$  is P.R.

6. If P then Q, else R is P.R.

If P, then Q else R can be expressed as

$$P * Q + (1 - P) * R \quad \text{since } +, -, * \text{ are P.R.}$$

so If P then Q, else R is P.R.

7. eq0 (eq0) is P.R.

$$\text{eq0}(0) = 1 \quad f(0) = 1 \quad t(0) = g$$

$$\text{eq0}(m+1) = 0 \quad f(m+1) = 0 \quad t(m+1) = h(m, f(m))$$

$$\Rightarrow k=0, g=1, h=0$$

$\Rightarrow \text{eq0} = \text{PR}(\sigma_0 0, 0)$  so eq0 is P.R.

8. equal (==) is P.R.

$$a == b \Leftrightarrow (a \leq b) \&\& (b \leq a) \Leftrightarrow \text{eq0}(a-b) \&\& \text{eq0}(b-a)$$

$\Leftrightarrow \text{eq0}(a-b) * \text{eq0}(b-a)$ , since  $*$ ,  $-$  and eq0 are P.R.

so == is P.R.

9. rem (%) is P.R.

$$\text{rem}(a, 0) = 0$$

$$\text{rem}(a, m+1) = \text{if } (\text{rem}(a, m) + 1 == a) \text{ return } 0 \\ \text{else return } (\text{rem}(a, m) + 1)$$

since if P then Q else R, + and == are P.R. so rem is P.R.

10. div (/) is P.R.

$$\text{div}(a, 0) = 0$$

$$\text{div}(a, m+1) = \text{if } (\text{rem}(a, m+1) == 0) \text{ return } (\text{div}(a, m) + 1) \\ \text{else return } \text{div}(a, m)$$

since if P then Q else R, == and + are P.R. so

div is P.R.



$$11. f(p, q) \equiv p \% (q / p)$$

Since we have proved that both  $\text{rem}(\%)$  and  $\text{div}(/)$  are p.r. so  $f(p, q)$  can be obtained from  $\sigma, 0, \pi_1^k$  by using composition and primitive recursion, it means.  $f(p, q)$  is p.r.



6. Prove that the following function  $f(p, q)$  is  $\mu$ -recursive:  $f(p, q) = p \% (q/p)$  when each of the values  $p$  and  $q$  is either 1 or 2, and  $f(p, q)$  is undefined for other pairs  $(p, q)$ .

there are several cases.

if  $p == 1, q == 1$  then  $q/p = 1/1 = 1, p \% (q/p) = 1 \% 1 = 0$ .

if  $p == 1, q == 2$  then  $q/p = 2/1 = 2, p \% (q/p) = 1 \% 2 = 1$ .

if  $p == 2, q == 1$  then  $q/p = 1/2 = 0, p \% (q/p) = 2 \% 0$  undefined.

if  $p == 2, q == 2$  then  $q/p = 2/2 = 1, p \% (q/p) = 2 \% 1 = 0$ .

$$\text{so } f(p, q) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } (p == 1 \text{ and } q == 1) \text{ or } (p == 2, q == 2) \\ 1, & \text{if } (p == 1 \text{ and } q == 2) \\ \text{undefined} & \end{cases}$$

$$f(p, q) = \mu m. P( [(p == 1, q == 1, m == 0) \vee (p == 2, q == 2, m == 0) \vee (p == 1, q == 2, m = 1)] )$$

so  $f(p, q)$  is  $\mu$ -recursive.



7. Translate the following  $\mu$ -recursive expression into a while-loop:

$$f(a, b) = \mu m. (m * a == b).$$

For this function  $f$ , what is the value of  $f(2, 4)$ ?  $f(2, 5)$ ?

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int m = 0;
while ( ! (m * a == b) )
    { m ++ ; }

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for  $f(2, 4)$

int  $m = 0$ .

$$m * a = 0 * 2 = 0 \neq 4$$

$$m = 1$$

$$m * a = 1 * 2 = 2 \neq 4$$

$$m = 2$$

$$m * a = 2 * 2 = 4 \text{ so } f(2, 4) = 2 = m.$$

for  $f(2, 5)$  since no  $m$  value will meet the stop condition

so it is undefined. the loop will not stop.



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8-9. Suppose that someone comes up with a new proof that not every computable function is primitive recursive, by providing a new example of a function  $N(n)$  which is computable but not primitive recursive. What if, in addition to  $0$ ,  $\pi^k_i$ , and  $\sigma$ , we also allow this new function  $N(n)$  in our constructions? Let us call functions that can be obtained from  $0$ ,  $\pi^k_i$ ,  $\sigma$ , and  $N(n)$  by using composition and primitive recursion *N-primitive recursive* functions. Will then every computable function be *N-primitive recursive*? Prove that your answer is correct.

In order to prove that there exist a computable function which is not *N-primitive recursive* (*N-P.R.*), at first, we need an auxiliary notion of *N-P.R. code*.

We start with an expression then.

\* We translate all symbols into ASCII code for example.

$\sigma \rightarrow \backslash\text{sigma}$ ,  $\pi^k_i \rightarrow \backslash\text{pi}^{\wedge}k\_i$ ,  $0 \rightarrow \backslash\text{circ}$ .

\* use ASCII code to translate them into a binary string of 0s and 1s.

\* put a 1 before the resulting binary string and interpret this string as a binary integer.

This integer is called *N-P.R. code*.

Lemma: There exist an algorithm that given a nature number  $c$ .

\* It checks whether  $c$  is a valid *N-P.R. code*.

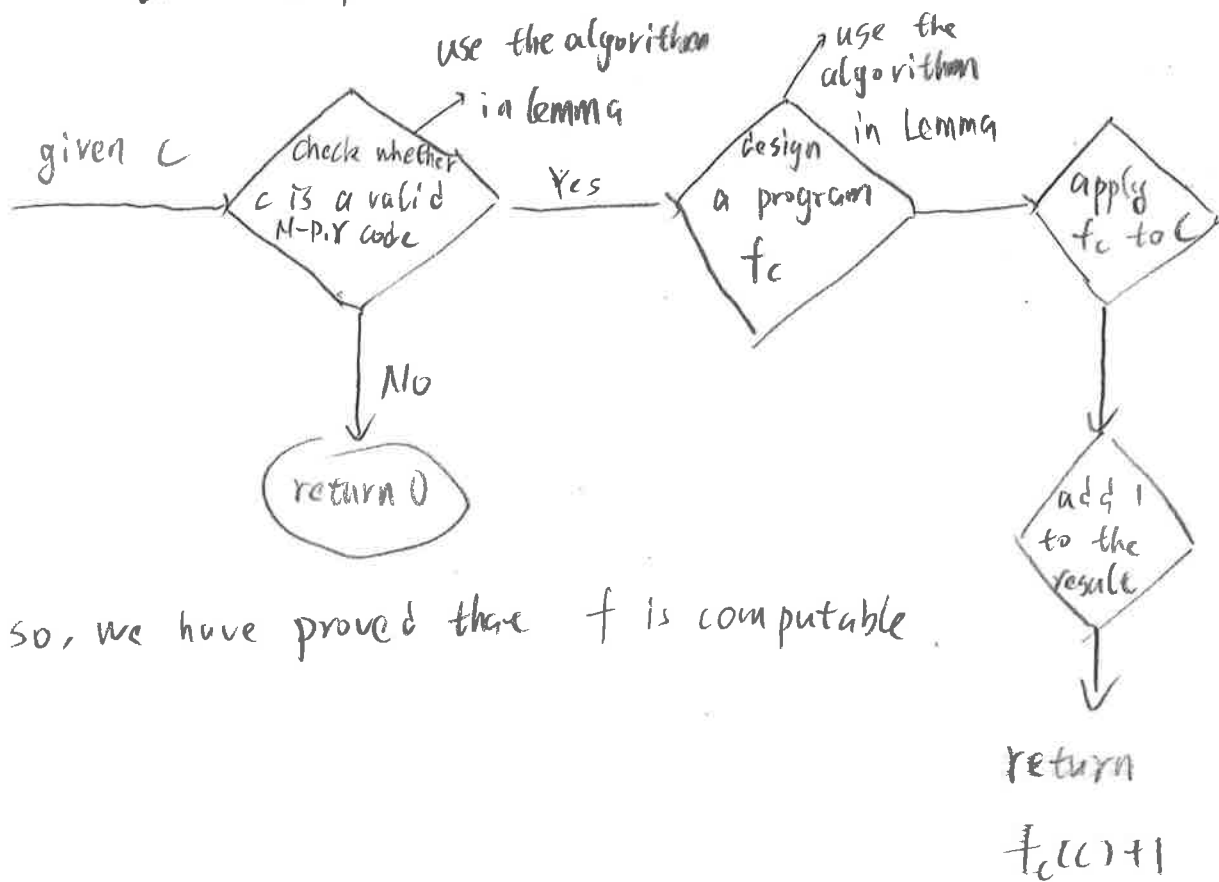
\* If  $c$  is a valid *N-P.R. code*, return a Java program that computes the corresponding *N-P.R. function*, this program will be denoted as  $f_c$ .

Let's define a new function

$$f(c) = \begin{cases} f_c(c) + 1 & \text{if } c \text{ is a valid } N\text{-P.R. code} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Let's prove that this function is computable, but not *N-P.R.*

First. let's prove that  $f$  is computable



Now, let's prove that  $f$  is not N-P.V by contradiction.

we assume that  $f$  is N-P.V, then it has a N-P.V code, we denote it by  $c_0$ . By lemma,  $f_{c_0}$  computes the function  $f$ . this means that for every input  $n$ ,  $f_{c_0}(n) = f(n)$ . in particular, if we let  $c_0$  be the input, then we have  $f_{c_0}(c_0) = f(c_0)$ . by the definition of  $f(c)$  since  $c_0$  is a N-P.V code, we have

$$f_{c_0}(c_0) = f_{c_0}(c_0) + 1, \text{ so } f_{c_0}(c_0) = \cancel{f_{c_0}(c_0)} + 1 \Rightarrow 0 = 1, \text{ which}$$

is a contradiction, thus,  $f$  is not a N-P.V. function.







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10. Design Turing machines for computing  $n + 1$  in unary and in binary codes.

For unary.

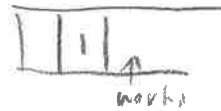
start, #  $\rightarrow$  working, R.

working, 1  $\rightarrow$  R.

working, #  $\rightarrow$  1, return, L

return, 1  $\rightarrow$  L

return, #  $\rightarrow$  halt



For binary

start, #  $\rightarrow$  working, R.

working, 0  $\rightarrow$  1, return, L

working, 1  $\rightarrow$  0, right, R.

right, 1  $\rightarrow$  0, R.

right, 0  $\rightarrow$  1, return, L.

right, #  $\rightarrow$  1, return, L.

return, #  $\rightarrow$  halt.

return, 1  $\rightarrow$  L

return, 0  $\rightarrow$  L.



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