

COMPUTABILITY (16/12/2024)

1st RECURSION THEOREM

type $T = \text{func } (\text{int}) \text{ int}$

func **succ** ($f: T$) T

res = func ($x: \text{int}$) int

return $f(x) + 1$

return res

* functionals (operators)

$$\Phi : \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^k) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^h)$$

total

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^k) = \mathbb{N}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

What is a ~~computable~~ functional?
recursive

Example : successor

$$\Phi_{\text{succ}} : \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^1) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^1)$$

$$f \mapsto \text{succ}(f)$$

defined by $\Phi_{\text{succ}}(f)(x) = f(x) + 1 \quad \forall x$

Example : factorial

$$\text{fact} : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

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

$$\bar{\Phi}_{\text{fact}} : \mathcal{Y}(\mathbb{N}^1) \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}(\mathbb{N}^1)$$

$$f \mapsto \bar{\Phi}_{\text{fact}}(f)$$

$$\text{defined } \bar{\Phi}_{\text{fact}}(f)(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x=0 \\ x \times f(x-1) & \text{if } x>0 \end{cases}$$

then the factorial is a fixed point of $\bar{\Phi}_{\text{fact}}$

i.e. a function fact

$$\bar{\Phi}_{\text{fact}}(\text{fact}) = \text{fact}$$

↑ in this case
the fixpoint exists
and it is unique

Example :

$$f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

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

$$f(0) = 0$$

$$f(2) = ?$$

$$\text{functional } \bar{\Phi} : \mathcal{Y}(\mathbb{N}^1) \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}(\mathbb{N}^1)$$

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

there are many fixed points for $\bar{\Phi}$

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

WE
MEAN
THIS
WHY?

$$f_k(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x=0 \\ k & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \forall k$$

* Ackermann's function

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

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

functional

$$\bar{\Phi}_{\text{Ack}} : \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^2) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^2)$$

$$\begin{cases} \bar{\Phi}_{\text{Ack}}(f)(0, y) = y+1 \\ \bar{\Phi}_{\text{Ack}}(f)(x+1, 0) = f(x, 1) \\ \bar{\Phi}_{\text{Ack}}(f)(x+1, y+1) = f(x, f(x+1, y)) \end{cases}$$

↳ Ackermann's function is a "special" fixed point ...

What is a recursive (computable) functional

idea: Given a functional $\bar{\Phi} : \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^k) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^h)$

we ask that for each $f \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^k) \quad \forall \vec{x} \in \mathbb{N}^h$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \bar{\Phi}(f)(\vec{x}) & \text{is } \underline{\text{computable}} \\ \uparrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^h) & & \end{array}$$

- 1) by using a finite amount of information about f
i.e. we use the value of f over a finite set of inputs
- 2) and this finite amount of information is used in an
"effective way"

we look only
at a finite
subfunction $\vartheta \in f$

more precisely, in order to compute $\bar{\Phi}(f)(\vec{x})$

→ we can refer only to a finite subfunction $\vartheta \subseteq f$

in a computable way

i.e. there is a computable function φ such that
↑ in the old sense

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{\Phi}(f)(\vec{x}) &= \varphi(\vartheta, \vec{x}) \\ &= \varphi(\tilde{\vartheta}, \vec{x})\end{aligned}$$

Note: we can encode a finite function ϑ as a number

$$\vartheta \longrightarrow \tilde{\vartheta} \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\vartheta(x) = \begin{cases} y_1 & \text{if } x = x_1 \\ \vdots & \\ y_m & \text{if } x = x_m \\ \uparrow & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\tilde{\vartheta} = \prod_{i=1}^m p_{x_i+1}^{y_i+1}$$

given the encoding

$$\begin{cases} x \in \text{dom}(\vartheta) & \text{iff} & (\tilde{\vartheta})_{x+1} \neq 0 \\ \text{if } x \in \text{dom}(\vartheta) & \text{then} & \vartheta(x) = (\tilde{\vartheta})_{x+1} - 1 \end{cases}$$

Def (Recursive functional)

A functional $\bar{\Phi} : \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^k) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^h)$ is recursive if

there is a computable function $\varphi : \mathbb{N}^{h+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that

for all $f \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^k)$ $\forall \vec{x} \in \mathbb{N}^h$ $\forall y \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\bar{\Phi}(f)(\vec{x}) = y \quad \text{iff} \quad \varphi(\tilde{\vartheta}, \vec{x}) = y$$

for some $\vartheta \subseteq f$

All functionals considered above are recursive.

OBSERVATION : let $\Phi : \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^k) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^h)$ be a recursive functional
and $f \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^k)$ computable then $\Phi(f) \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^h)$ is computable

OBSERVATION : let $\Phi : \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^1) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^1)$ be a recursive functional
if $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ computable then $\Phi(f)$ is computable

$f = \varphi_e$ for $e \in \mathbb{N}$
" $\varphi_{e'}$ "

$\Phi(f) = \varphi_a$ for $a \in \mathbb{N}$
" $\varphi_{a'}$ "

hence Φ induces a function over programs

$$h_\Phi : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

$$e \mapsto h_\Phi(e) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \Phi(\varphi_e) = \varphi_{h_\Phi(e)}$$

extensional : $\forall e, e'$ s.t. $\varphi_e = \varphi_{e'}$ then

$$\varphi_{h_\Phi(e)} = \varphi_{h_\Phi(e')}$$

Myhill - Shepherson's Theorem

(1) let $\Phi : \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^k) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^l)$ be a recursive functional

Then there is a total computable extensional function

$$h_\Phi : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

such that $\forall e \in \mathbb{N}$

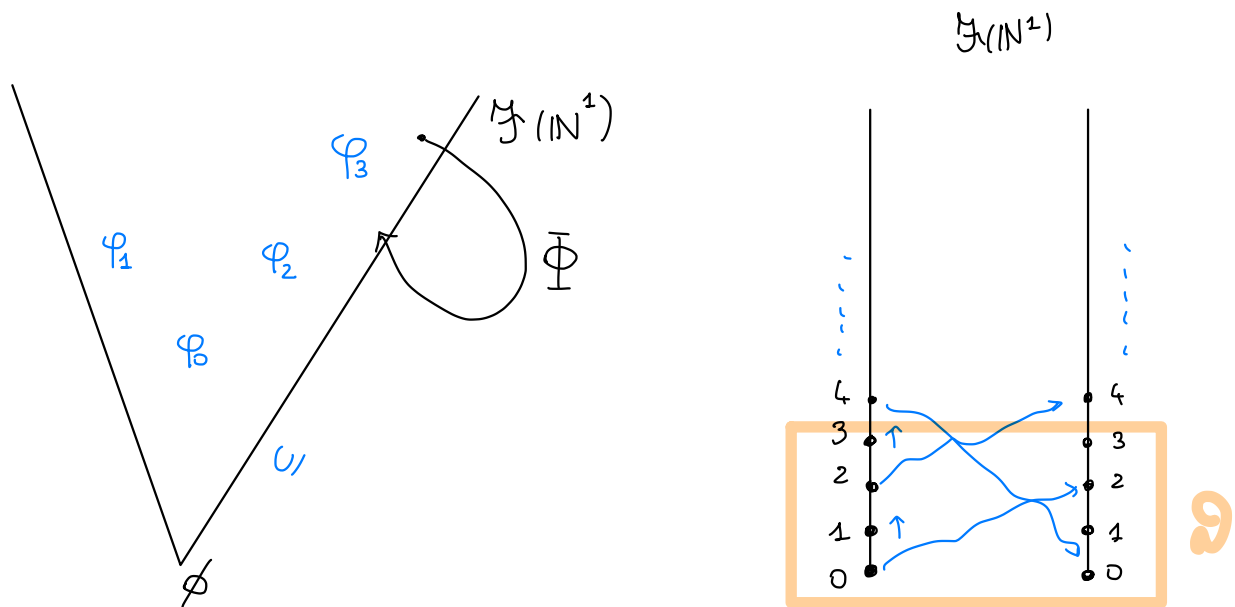
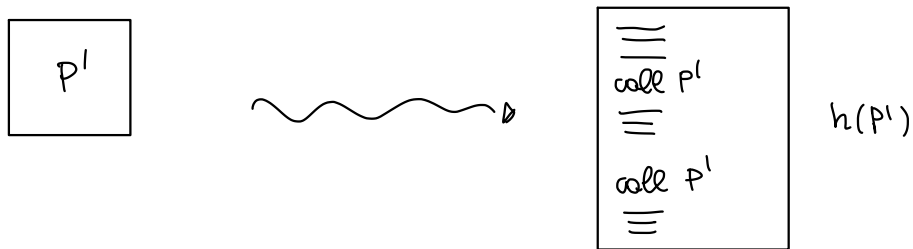
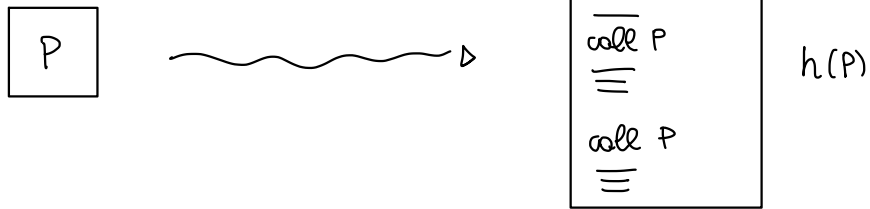
$$\Phi(\varphi_e^{(k)}) = \varphi_{h_\Phi(e)}^{(l)}$$

(2) let $h : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ be a total computable extensional function.

Then there is a unique recursive functional $\bar{\Phi}_h : \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^k) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^l)$

$$\text{s.t. } \forall e \in \mathbb{N} \quad \bar{\Phi}_h(\varphi_e^{(k)}) = \varphi_{h(e)}^{(l)}$$

* extensional program transformation $h: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$



I RECURSION THEOREM

Let $\Phi: \mathcal{Y}(\mathbb{N}^k) \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}(\mathbb{N}^k)$ be a recursive functional.

Then Φ has a least fixed point $f_\Phi: \mathbb{N}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is computable
i.e.

(i) $\Phi(f_\Phi) = f_\Phi$

(ii) $\forall g: \mathbb{N}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $\Phi(g) = g$ then $f_\Phi \subseteq g$

(iii) f_Φ is computable.

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functional

$$\Phi_{Ack}: \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^2) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{N}^2)$$

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recursive
functional

the Ackermann function is the least fixpoint of Φ_{Ack} , which exists and is computable since Φ_{Ack} is recursive. (By 1st recursion theorem)

[unique fixpoint since it is total]

Example :

$$f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

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if $x=0$
otherwise

$\forall k$

because it is the
least fix point

($f \neq f_k \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$)

EXERCISE : Find a recursive functional with non-computable fix points

Example : minimisation

$$f : \mathbb{N}^{k+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

$$\mu y. f(\vec{x}, y) : \mathbb{N}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

can be seen as a least fix point

$$\Phi : \mathcal{Y}(\mathbb{N}^{k+1}) \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}(\mathbb{N}^{k+1})$$

$$\Phi(g)(\vec{x}, y) = \begin{cases} y & \text{if } f(\vec{x}, y) = 0 \\ g(\vec{x}, y+1) & \text{if } f(\vec{x}, y) \downarrow \neq \emptyset \\ \uparrow & \text{if } f(\vec{x}, y) \uparrow \end{cases}$$

Φ is recursive functional, hence its least fix point is computable

$$m(\vec{x}, y) = \mu z \geq y. f(\vec{x}, z)$$

(by I recursion
theorem)

hence

$$m(\vec{x}, 0) = \mu z. f(\vec{x}, z)$$