



Computability Theory

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Definitions

- set $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ is **recursive** if its characteristic function χ_A is recursive
- disjoint sets $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ are **recursively separable** if there exists $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \{0, 1\} \in R$ such that

$$x \in A \implies f(x) = 0 \quad x \in B \implies f(x) = 1$$
- set $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ is **recursively enumerable** if $A = \emptyset$ or A is range of unary recursive function
- set $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ is **index set** if $d \in A \wedge \varphi_e \simeq \varphi_d \implies e \in A$ for all $d, e \in \mathbb{N}$

Lemmas

- if A and B are recursively inseparable then A and B are not recursive
- set A is recursive if and only if A and $\mathbb{N} \setminus A$ are recursively enumerable

Rice's Theorem

non-trivial index sets are not recursive

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Theorem

- sets $A = \{x \mid \varphi_x(x) = 0\}$ and $B = \{x \mid \varphi_x(x) = 1\}$ are recursively inseparable
- following statements are equivalent for any set $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$:
 - 1 A is recursively enumerable
 - 2 A is range of unary partial recursive function
 - 3 A is domain of unary partial recursive function

Definition

set $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ is **diophantine** if \exists polynomial $P(x, y_1, \dots, y_n)$ with integer coefficients such that

$$x \in A \iff \exists y_1 \dots \exists y_n P(x, y_1, \dots, y_n) = 0$$

Lemma

A is diophantine $\iff A = \{P(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mid x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } P(x_1, \dots, x_n) \geq 0\}$ for some polynomial $P(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ with integer coefficients

Lemma

diophantine sets are recursively enumerable

Theorem (Matiyasevich)

recursively enumerable sets are diophantine

Corollary (MRDP Theorem)

Hilbert's 10th problem is unsolvable

Theorem (Jones 1975)

- $P(x, y) = 2x + 2y^3x^2 + y^2x^3 - 2yx^4 - x^5 - y^4x$ generates set of Fibonacci numbers
- there exists no polynomial $Q(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ such that

$$\{Q(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mid x_1, \dots, x_n \geq 0\}$$

is set of Fibonacci numbers

Part I: Recursive Function Theory

Ackermann function, bounded minimization, bounded recursion, course-of-values recursion, diagonalization, diophantine sets, elementary functions, fixed point theorem, Fibonacci numbers, Gödel numbering, Gödel's β function, Grzegorczyk hierarchy, loop programs, minimization, normal form theorem, partial recursive functions, primitive recursion, recursive enumerability, recursive inseparability, s-m-n theorem, total recursive functions, undecidability, while programs, ...

Part II: Combinatory Logic and Lambda Calculus

α -equivalence, abstraction, arithmetization, β -reduction, CL-representability, combinators, combinatorial completeness, Church numerals, Church–Rosser theorem, Curry–Howard isomorphism, de Bruijn notation, η -reduction, fixed point theorem, intuitionistic propositional logic, λ -definability, normalization theorem, termination, typing, undecidability, Z property, ...

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Definition

CL-terms are built from

- infinite set of variables $\mathcal{V} = \{x, y, z, \dots\}$
- constants $I \ K \ S$
- application $(s \cdot t)$ for CL-terms s and t

Examples

y	S	$(I \cdot K)$	$(x \cdot (S \cdot y))$	$((S \cdot I) \cdot I)$	functional notation
y	S	IK	$x(Sy)$	SII	applicative notation

Notational Conventions

- juxtaposition for application
- association to the left to reduce number of parentheses

Definitions

- set $\mathcal{V}\text{ar}(t)$ of variables of CL-term t is inductively defined:

$$\mathcal{V}\text{ar}(t) = \begin{cases} \emptyset & \text{if } t \in \{\mathbf{I}, \mathbf{K}, \mathbf{S}\} \\ \{t\} & \text{if } t \in \mathcal{V} \\ \mathcal{V}\text{ar}(t_1) \cup \mathcal{V}\text{ar}(t_2) & \text{if } t = t_1 t_2 \end{cases}$$

- combinator is CL-term t such that $\mathcal{V}\text{ar}(t) = \emptyset$

Definition

(weak) reduction is smallest relation \rightarrow on CL-terms such that

$$\overline{\mathbf{I}t \rightarrow t} \quad \overline{\mathbf{K}tu \rightarrow t} \quad \overline{\mathbf{S}tuv \rightarrow tv(uv)} \quad \frac{t \rightarrow u}{tv \rightarrow uv} \quad \frac{t \rightarrow u}{vt \rightarrow vu}$$

for all CL-terms t, u, v

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Definitions

- normal form is CL-term t such that $t \rightarrow u$ for no CL-term u
- \rightarrow^+ is transitive closure of \rightarrow
- \rightarrow^* is transitive and reflexive closure of \rightarrow
- $t \rightarrow^! u$ if $t \rightarrow^* u$ for normal form u
- CL-term t is normalizing if $t \rightarrow^! u$ for some CL-term u
- infinite reduction is sequence $(t_i)_{i \geq 0}$ such that $t_i \rightarrow t_{i+1}$ for all $i \geq 0$
- CL-term t is terminating if there are no infinite reductions starting at t

Example

combinator $\mathbf{SII}(\mathbf{SII})$ is not terminating:

$$\mathbf{SII}(\mathbf{SII}) \rightarrow \mathbf{I}(\mathbf{SII})(\mathbf{I}(\mathbf{SII})) \rightarrow \mathbf{SII}(\mathbf{I}(\mathbf{SII})) \rightarrow \mathbf{SII}(\mathbf{SII})$$

Definition

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{KS})\mathbf{K} \quad \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{BBS})(\mathbf{KK}) \quad \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{SI})(\mathbf{SII})(\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{SI})(\mathbf{SII}))$$

Lemma

$$\mathbf{Bxyz} \rightarrow^+ x(yz) \quad \mathbf{Cxyz} \rightarrow^+ xzy \quad \mathbf{Yx} \rightarrow^+ x(Yx)$$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Bxyz} &\rightarrow \mathbf{KSx}(\mathbf{Kx})yz \rightarrow \mathbf{S(Kx)}yz \rightarrow \mathbf{Kxz}(yz) \rightarrow x(yz) \\ \mathbf{Cxyz} &\rightarrow \mathbf{BBSx}(\mathbf{KKx})yz \rightarrow \mathbf{BBSx}(\mathbf{Kyz}) \rightarrow^+ \mathbf{B(Sx)Kyz} \rightarrow^+ \mathbf{Sx}(\mathbf{Ky})z \rightarrow xz(\mathbf{Ky}) \rightarrow xzy \\ \mathbf{Yx} &\rightarrow^+ \mathbf{SI}(\mathbf{SII}(\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{SI})(\mathbf{SII})))x \rightarrow \mathbf{Ix}(\mathbf{SII}(\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{SI})(\mathbf{SII})))x \rightarrow^+ x(\mathbf{I}(\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{SI})(\mathbf{SII}))(\mathbf{I}(\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{SI})(\mathbf{SII})))x) \\ &\rightarrow^+ x(\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{SI})(\mathbf{SII})(\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{SI})(\mathbf{SII})))x = x(Yx) \end{aligned}$$

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Definition

for all $n \geq 0$ Church numeral \underline{n} is combinator

$$\underline{n} = \begin{cases} \text{KI} & \text{if } n = 0 \\ \text{SB } \underline{n-1} & \text{if } n > 0 \end{cases} \quad \underline{n} = (\text{SB})^n(\text{KI})$$

Definition

function $f: \mathbb{N}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is **CL-representable** if there exists combinator F such that

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = y &\implies F \underline{x_1} \dots \underline{x_n} \rightarrow^* y \\ f(x_1, \dots, x_n) \text{ is undefined} &\implies F \underline{x_1} \dots \underline{x_n} \text{ is not normalizing} \end{aligned}$$

for all $x_1, \dots, x_n, y \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\underline{n} = (\text{SB})^n(\text{KI})$$

Lemma

$$\underline{n}xy \rightarrow^+ x^n y$$

Proof

induction on $n \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{0}xy &= \text{KI}xy \rightarrow \text{I}y \rightarrow y = x^0 y \\ \underline{n+1}xy &= \text{SB}\underline{n}xy \rightarrow \text{B}x(\underline{n}x)y \rightarrow^+ x(\underline{n}xy) \rightarrow^+ x(x^n y) = x^{n+1} y \end{aligned}$$

Lemma

initial functions are CL-representable

Proof

$$\text{zero} = \text{K(KI)}$$

$$\text{succ} = \text{SB}$$

$$\pi_i^n = \text{K}^{i-1}((\text{BK})^{n-i}\text{I})$$

$$\text{zero } x \rightarrow \text{KI} = \underline{0}$$

$$\text{succ } x = \text{SB } x = \underline{x+1}$$

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Definition (Bracket Abstraction)

- CL-term $[x]t$ is defined for all CL-terms t and variables x :

$$[x]t = \begin{cases} I & \text{if } t = x \\ Kt & \text{if } x \notin \text{Var}(t) \\ S([x]t_1)([x]t_2) & \text{if } t = t_1t_2 \text{ and } x \in \text{Var}(t) \end{cases}$$

- $[x_1 \dots x_n]t$ abbreviates $[x_1](\dots [x_n]t \dots)$

Example

$$\begin{aligned} [xyz](xzy) &= [xy](S([z](xz))([z]y)) = [xy](S(S([z]x)([z]z))(\text{K}y)) = [xy](S(S(Kx)\text{I})(\text{K}y)) \\ &= [x](S([y](S(S(Kx)\text{I})))([y](\text{K}y))) = [x](S(K(S(S(Kx)\text{I})))(\text{S}([y]\text{K})([y]y))) \\ &= [x](S(K(S(S(Kx)\text{I}))))(\text{S}(\text{K}\text{K})) = \dots \\ &= S(S(KS)(S(KK)(S(KS)(S(S(KS)(S(KK)\text{I}))(KI)))))(\text{K}(\text{S}(\text{K}\text{K}))\text{I})) \end{aligned}$$

Lemma

$x \notin \text{Var}([x]t)$

Lemma

$([x]t)x \rightarrow^* t$ for all CL-terms t and variables x

Proof

induction on t

- $t = x \implies ([x]t)x = \text{Ix} \rightarrow x = t$
- $x \notin \text{Var}(t) \implies ([x]t)x = \text{Ktx} \rightarrow t$
- $t = t_1t_2 \text{ and } x \in \text{Var}(t) \implies ([x]t_1)x \rightarrow^* t_1 \text{ and } ([x]t_2)x \rightarrow^* t_2 \text{ by induction hypothesis}$
 $\implies ([x]t)x = S([x]t_1)([x]t_2)x \rightarrow ([x]t_1)x(([x]t_2)x) \rightarrow^* t_1t_2 = t$

Corollary (Combinatorial Completeness)

for every CL-term t with $\text{Var}(t) = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$

- ① \exists combinator C such that $Cx_1 \dots x_n \rightarrow^* t$
- ② \exists combinator D such that $Dx_2 \dots x_n \rightarrow^* t[D/x_1]$

Proof

- ① $C = [x_1 \dots x_n]t: Cx_1 \dots x_n \rightarrow^+ ([x_2 \dots x_n]t)x_2 \dots x_n \rightarrow^+ \dots \rightarrow^+ t$
- ② $D = \text{YC}: Dx_2 \dots x_n \rightarrow^+ CDx_2 \dots x_n \rightarrow^+ t[D/x_1]$

Definition (Bracket Abstraction, Optimized)

- CL-term $\langle x \rangle t$ is defined for all CL-terms t and variables x :

$$\langle x \rangle t = \begin{cases} I & \text{if } t = x \\ Kt & \text{if } x \notin \text{Var}(t) \end{cases} \quad \langle x \rangle t = \begin{cases} u & \text{if } t = ux \text{ and } x \notin \text{Var}(u) \\ Bu(\langle x \rangle v) & \text{if } t = uv \text{ and } x \notin \text{Var}(u) \\ C(\langle x \rangle u)v & \text{if } t = uv \text{ and } x \notin \text{Var}(v) \\ S(\langle x \rangle u)(\langle x \rangle v) & \text{if } t = uv \text{ and } x \in \text{Var}(u) \cap \text{Var}(v) \end{cases}$$

- $\langle x_1 \dots x_n \rangle t$ abbreviates $\langle x_1 \rangle (\dots \langle x_n \rangle t \dots)$

Example

$$\langle xy \rangle (xzy) = \langle xy \rangle (C(\langle z \rangle (xz))y) = \langle xy \rangle (Cxy) = \langle x \rangle (Cx) = C$$

Lemma

$(\langle x \rangle t)x \rightarrow^* t$ for all CL-terms t and variables x

Lemma

CL-representable functions are closed under composition

Proof

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = g(h_1(x_1, \dots, x_n), \dots, h_m(x_1, \dots, x_n))$$

with G, H_1, \dots, H_m representing g, h_1, \dots, h_m

$$F = \langle x_1 \dots x_n \rangle (G(H_1 x_1 \dots x_n) \dots (H_m x_1 \dots x_n))$$

Lemma

CL-representable functions are closed under primitive recursion

$$f(0, y_1, \dots, y_n) = g(y_1, \dots, y_n)$$

$$f(x + 1, y_1, \dots, y_n) = h(f(x, y_1, \dots, y_n), x, y_1, \dots, y_n)$$

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$$f(x, y_1, \dots, y_n) = \begin{cases} g(y_1, \dots, y_n) & \text{if } x = 0 \\ h(f(x - 1, y_1, \dots, y_n), x - 1, y_1, \dots, y_n) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Booleans

$$T = K$$

$$F = KI$$

$$Txy \rightarrow x$$

$$Fxy \rightarrow ly \rightarrow y$$

Test for Zero

$$\text{zero?} = C(B(CIK))(K(KI))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{zero? } 0 &\rightarrow^* B(CIK) 0 (K(KI)) \rightarrow^* CIK(0 (K(KI))) \rightarrow CIKI \rightarrow^* IIK \rightarrow^* K = T \\ \text{zero? } n+1 &\rightarrow^* B(CIK) n+1 (K(KI)) \rightarrow^* CIK(SB n (K(KI))) \rightarrow^* CIK(B(K(KI))(n (K(KI)))) \\ &\rightarrow^* I(B(K(KI))(n (K(KI))))K \rightarrow B(K(KI))(n (K(KI)))K \\ &\rightarrow^* K(KI)(n (K(KI)))K \rightarrow KI = F \end{aligned}$$

$$f(x, y_1, \dots, y_n) = \begin{cases} g(y_1, \dots, y_n) & \text{if } x = 0 \\ h(f(\textcolor{red}{x - 1}, y_1, \dots, y_n), \textcolor{red}{x - 1}, y_1, \dots, y_n) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Predecessor

$$\textcolor{orange}{P} = C(C(\text{Cl}(B(\text{Cl})(\text{Cl}(S B))))(K(K I)))I$$

Lemma

$\textcolor{orange}{P}$ represents predecessor function

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Lemma

CL-representable functions are closed under primitive recursion

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} f(0, y_1, \dots, y_n) &= g(y_1, \dots, y_n) \\ f(x + 1, y_1, \dots, y_n) &= h(f(x, y_1, \dots, y_n), x, y_1, \dots, y_n) \end{aligned}$$

with G, H representing g, h

$$\begin{aligned} F x y_1 \dots y_n &= (\text{zero? } x)(G y_1 \dots y_n)(H(F(\textcolor{orange}{P} x)y_1 \dots y_n)(\textcolor{orange}{P} x)y_1 \dots y_n) \\ F &= \langle x y_1 \dots y_n \rangle ((\text{zero? } x)(G y_1 \dots y_n)(H(F(\textcolor{orange}{P} x)y_1 \dots y_n)(\textcolor{orange}{P} x)y_1 \dots y_n)) \\ F &= \textcolor{green}{Y}(\langle \textcolor{red}{f} x y_1 \dots y_n \rangle ((\text{zero? } x)(G y_1 \dots y_n)(H(\textcolor{red}{f}(\textcolor{orange}{P} x)y_1 \dots y_n)(\textcolor{orange}{P} x)y_1 \dots y_n))) \end{aligned}$$

Corollary

primitive recursive functions are CL-representable

Definition

function $f: \mathbb{N}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is **CL-representable** if there exists combinator F such that

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for all $x_1, \dots, x_n, y \in \mathbb{N}$

Question

is it possible that both $F \underline{x_1} \dots \underline{x_n} \rightarrow^* y$ and $F \underline{x_1} \dots \underline{x_n} \rightarrow^* z$ with $y \neq z$?

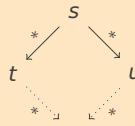
Answer

no, because CL has **unique normal forms**: \forall term $t \ \forall$ normal forms n_1 and n_2

$$t \rightarrow^* n_1 \wedge t \rightarrow^* n_2 \implies n_1 = n_2$$

Theorem

CL is confluent: $\forall s \forall t \forall u [s \rightarrow^* t \wedge s \rightarrow^* u \implies \exists v (t \rightarrow^* v \wedge u \rightarrow^* v)]$



Corollary

CL has unique normal forms

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Important Concepts

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|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| ► \rightarrow | ► CL-term | ► π_i^n |
| ► \rightarrow^+ | ► combinator | ► S |
| ► \rightarrow^* | ► combinatorial completeness | ► succ |
| ► $\rightarrow^!$ | ► combinatory logic | ► T |
| ► B | ► confluence | ► termination |
| ► $[x]t$ | ► I | ► unique normal forms |
| ► $(x)t$ | ► F | ► (weak) reduction |
| ► bracket abstraction | ► K | ► Y |
| ► C | ► normal form | ► zero |
| ► Church numeral | ► normalization | ► zero? |
| ► CL-representable function | ► P | |

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