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10. Computable Functions

10.1. Primitive Recursive Functions

10.2. Quantification, Minimalization, and μ -Recursive Functions

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Definition 10.1. Initial Functions

The initial functions are the following:

1. *Constant* functions: For each $k \geq 0$ and each $a \geq 0$, the constant function $C_a^k : \mathbb{N}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is defined by the formula

$$C_a^k(X) = a \quad \text{for every } X \in \mathbb{N}^k$$

2. The *successor* function $s : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is defined by the formula

$$s(x) = x + 1$$

3. *Projection* functions: For each $k \geq 1$ and each i with $1 \leq i \leq k$, the projection function $p_i^k : \mathbb{N}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is defined by the formula

$$p_i^k(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) = x_i$$

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Definition 10.2. The Operations of Composition and Primitive Recursion

1. Suppose f is a partial function from \mathbb{N}^k to \mathbb{N} , and for each i with $1 \leq i \leq k$, g_i is a partial function from \mathbb{N}^m to \mathbb{N} .

The partial function obtained from f and g_1, g_2, \dots, g_k by composition is the partial function h from \mathbb{N}^m to \mathbb{N} defined by the formula

$$h(X) = f(g_1(X), g_2(X), \dots, g_k(X)) \text{ for every } X \in \mathbb{N}^m$$

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Definition 10.2. The Operations of Composition and Primitive Recursion (continued)

2. Suppose $n \geq 0$ and g and h are functions of n and $n + 2$ variables, respectively. (By “a function of 0 variables,” we mean simply a constant.)

The function obtained from g and h by the operation of *primitive recursion* is the function $f : \mathbb{N}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ defined by the formulas

$$\begin{aligned} f(X, 0) &= g(X) \\ f(X, k + 1) &= h(X, k, f(X, k)) \end{aligned}$$

for every $X \in \mathbb{N}^n$ and every $k \geq 0$.

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n-place predicate P is function from \mathbb{N}^n to $\{\text{true}, \text{false}\}$

characteristic function χ_P defined by

$$\chi_P(X) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } P(X) \text{ is true} \\ 0 & \text{if } P(X) \text{ is false} \end{cases}$$

We say P is primitive recursive. . .

Theorem 10.6.

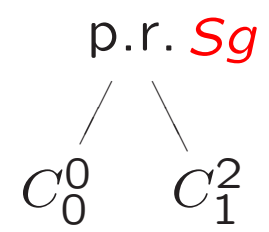
The two-place predicates LT , EQ , GT , LE , GE , and NE are primitive recursive.

(LT stands for “less than,” and the other five have similarly intuitive abbreviations.)

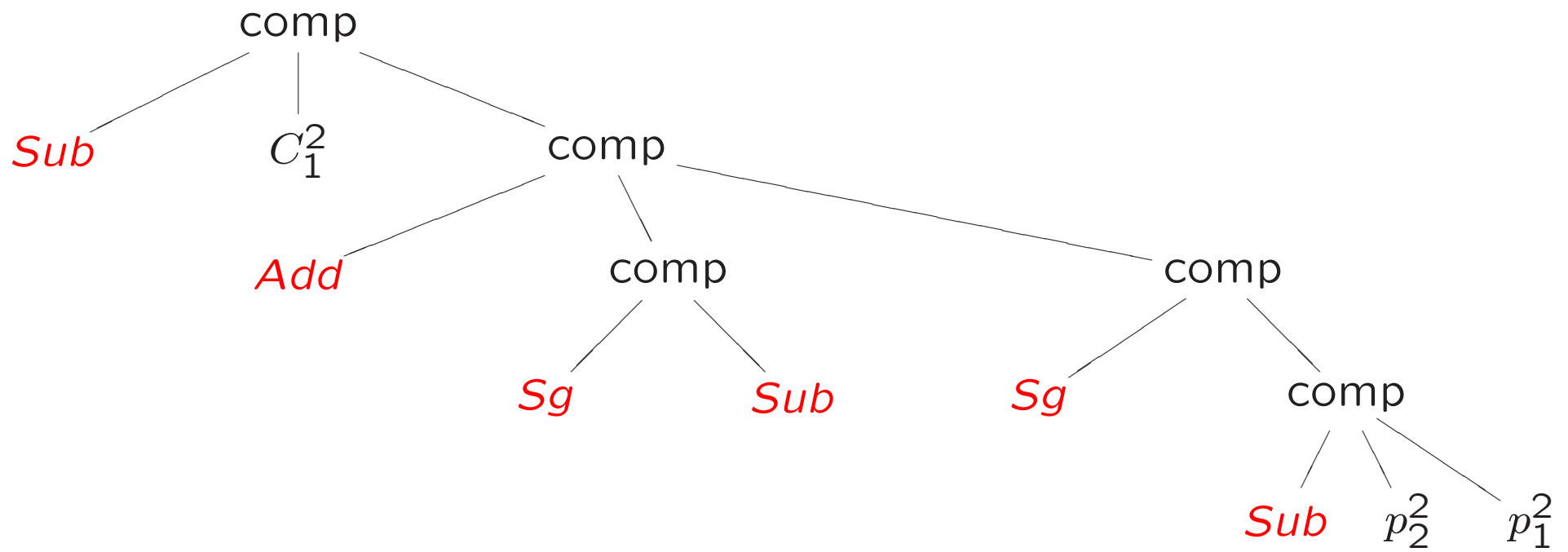
If P and Q are any primitive recursive n -place predicates, then $P \wedge Q$, $P \vee Q$ and $\neg P$ are primitive recursive.

Proof. . .

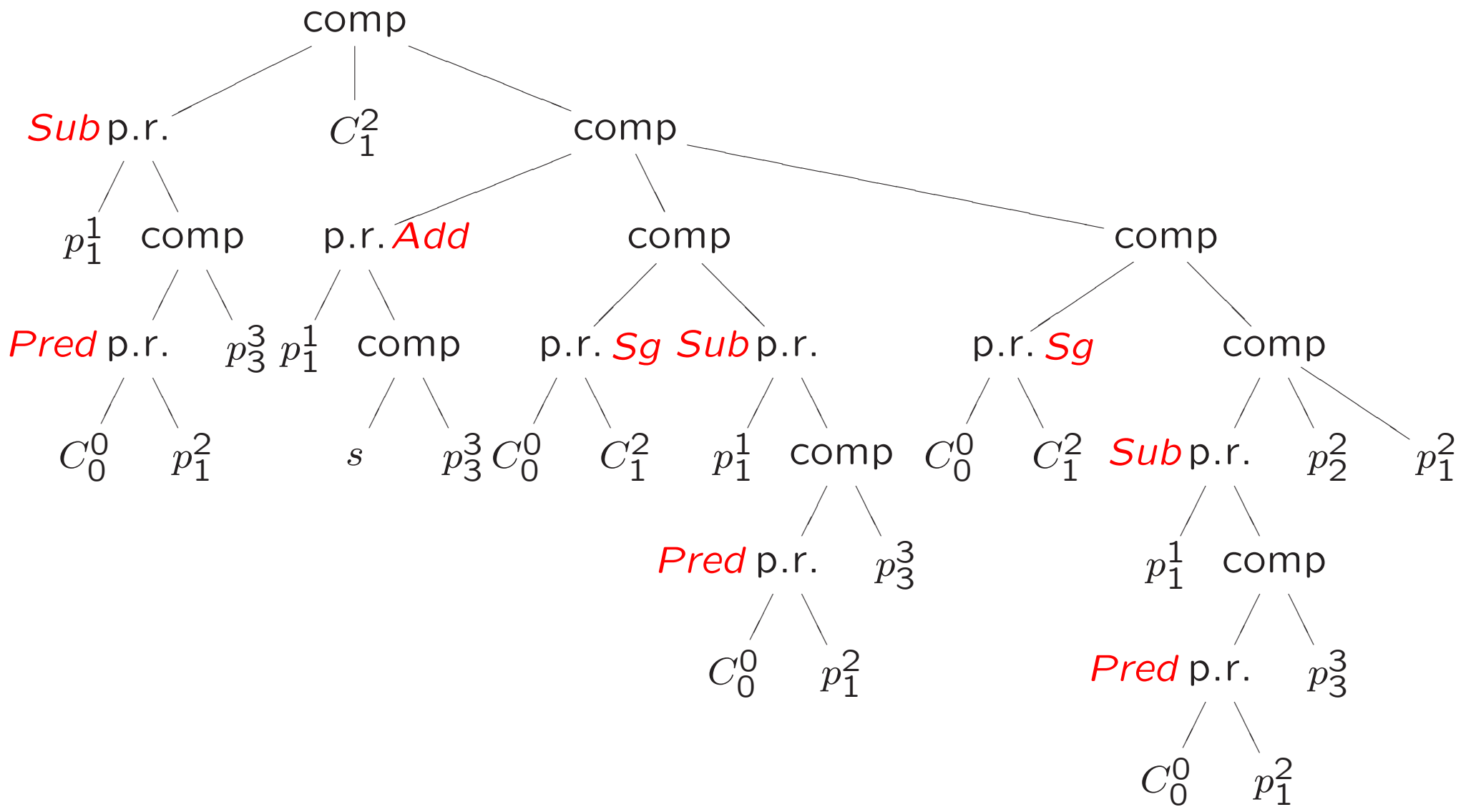
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Exercise.

Let $f : \mathbb{N}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ be a primitive recursive function.

Show that the predicate $P : \mathbb{N}^{n+1} \rightarrow \{\text{true}, \text{false}\}$ defined by

$$P(X, y) = (f(X, y) = 0)$$

is primitive recursive.

Let P be n -place predicate,

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Example.

$$(f_1 = (3f_2)^2 \wedge (f_3 < f_4 + f_5)) \vee \neg(P \vee Q)$$

Theorem 10.7.

Suppose f_1, f_2, \dots, f_k are primitive recursive functions from \mathbb{N}^n to \mathbb{N} ,

P_1, P_2, \dots, P_k are primitive recursive n -place predicates, and for every $X \in \mathbb{N}^n$,

exactly one of the conditions $P_1(X), P_2(X), \dots, P_k(X)$ is true.

Then the function $f : \mathbb{N}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ defined by

$$f(X) = \begin{cases} f_1(X) & \text{if } P_1(X) \text{ is true} \\ f_2(X) & \text{if } P_2(X) \text{ is true} \\ \dots & \\ f_k(X) & \text{if } P_k(X) \text{ is true} \end{cases}$$

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Example 10.8. The *Mod* and *Div* Functions

10.2. Quantification, Minimalization, and μ -Recursive Functions

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Definition 10.9. Bounded Quantifications

Let P be an $(n + 1)$ -place predicate. The *bounded existential quantification* of P is the $(n + 1)$ -place predicate E_P defined by

$E_P(X, k) =$ (there exists y with $0 \leq y \leq k$ such that $P(X, y)$ is true)

The *bounded universal quantification* of P is the $(n + 1)$ -place predicate A_P defined by

$A_P(X, k) =$ (for every y satisfying $0 \leq y \leq k$, $P(X, y)$ is true)

Theorem 10.10.

If P is a primitive recursive $(n + 1)$ -place predicate, both the predicates E_P and A_P are also primitive recursive.

Proof...

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Definition 10.11. Bounded Minimalization

For an $(n + 1)$ -place predicate P , the *bounded minimalization* of P is the function $m_P : \mathbb{N}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ defined by

$$m_P(X, k) = \begin{cases} \min\{y \mid 0 \leq y \leq k \text{ and } P(X, y)\} & \text{if this set is not empty} \\ k + 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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The symbol μ is often used for the minimalization operator, and we sometimes write

$$m_P(X, k) = \overset{k}{\mu} y [P(X, y)]$$

An important special case is that in which $P(X, y)$ is $(f(X, y) = 0)$, for some $f : \mathbb{N}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$. In this case m_P is written m_f and referred to as the bounded minimalization of f .

Exercise.

Let $f : \mathbb{N}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ be a primitive recursive function.

Show that the predicate $P : \mathbb{N}^{n+1} \rightarrow \{\text{true}, \text{false}\}$ defined by

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Theorem 10.12.

If P is a primitive recursive $(n + 1)$ -place predicate, its bounded minimalization m_P is a primitive recursive function.

Proof...

$$h(X, y, z) = \begin{cases} z & \text{if } z \leq y \\ y + 1 & \text{if } z \geq y + 1 \wedge P(X, y + 1) \text{ is true} \\ y + 2 & \text{if } z \geq y + 1 \wedge \neg P(X, y + 1) \text{ is true} \end{cases}$$

$$h(X, y, z) = \begin{cases} z & \text{if } E_P(X, y) \text{ is true} \\ y + 1 & \text{if } \neg E_P(X, y) \wedge P(X, y + 1) \text{ is true} \\ y + 2 & \text{if } \neg E_P(X, y) \wedge \neg P(X, y + 1) \text{ is true} \end{cases}$$