MATH 688: THEORY OF COMPUTABILITY AND COMPLEXITY\_\_\_\_\_1

## Final

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There are five problems for a total of 100 points. Good luck.

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Consider a program which plays tick-tack-toe. One can encode a game board B as follows. There are nine boxes in tick-tack-toe which we will number i = 0, ..., 8. Define function  $\tau$  which takes board B and integer i and equals,

$$\tau(B,i) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if box } i \text{ is empty in board } B, \\ 2 & \text{if box } i \text{ has an } X \text{ in board } B, \\ 3 & \text{if box } i \text{ has an } O \text{ in board } B. \end{cases}$$

The game board is then represented as,

$$\sigma(B) = \prod_{i=0}^{8} pr(i)^{\tau(B,i)}.$$

Consider the function  $f : \mathbf{N} \to \mathbf{N}$ ,

 $f(b) = \begin{cases} 1 & b = \sigma(B) \text{ and it is possible for X to win given board } B.\\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$ 

Show that f is primitive recursive. (HINT: Loop-programs.)

Mark in each of the following boxes "Y" if the computation system is equivalent in power to while-programs, or "N" if it is less powerful.

- Repeat-programs: These are while-programs except the basic control construction is *repeat* ... *until* rather than *while* ... .
  - A PS/2 computer whose FORTRAN, for reason of programming style, has forbidden the use of GOTO's. For our purposes, define FORTRAN as:
    - Having all the usual arithmetic capabilities on an infinite supply of integer variables.
    - Having an if-then construction of the form,

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IF (condition) THEN
statements
END IF
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- Having a do-loop construction of the form,

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DO variable=initial,final,step
statements
END DO
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The limits to the do-loop are fixed upon entry to the loop.

 Having subroutine and functions calls only when they cannot result in recursion. (E.g. "A" calls "B" which calls "A" is not allowed.)

A while-program whose arithmetic rules (set to zero, successor and predecessor) have been replaced by the following string manipulation rules. A variable can be initialized to the empty string, X:=''. An "a" can be appended to the string contained in a variable, X:=X||'a'. Two strings can be checked for unequal length. (The length of the empty string is zero.) While and compound statements are as before.

A Turing Machine whose tape is infinitely long only in one direction. 3. (20 Points.) Show that the *Integer Programming Decision Problem* is in NP. (Do not attempt to show it NP-complete!)

An instance of an Integer Programming Decision Problem is given by a set of variables  $\{X_1, \ldots, X_n\}$ , a set of linear equations using these variables, called the *constraints*,

$$b_{1} \geq a_{1,1}X_{1} + a_{1,2}X_{2} + \ldots + a_{1,n}X_{n}$$
  

$$b_{2} \geq a_{2,1}X_{1} + a_{2,2}X_{2} + \ldots + a_{2,n}X_{n}$$
  

$$\vdots$$
  

$$b_{m} \geq a_{m,1}X_{1} + a_{m,2}X_{2} + \ldots + a_{m,n}X_{n},$$

where all the  $b_i$  and  $a_{i,j}$  are integers, a cost function,

$$c(X_1, \ldots, X_n) = c_1 X_1 + c_2 X_2 + \ldots + c_n X_n,$$

where all the  $c_i$  are integers, and an integer B.

The decision problem is to answer Yes if there exists an assignment of *integers* to the  $X_i$  such that all of the constraints are true and the cost c is greater or equal to B.

Give a bijection from pairs of integers to the naturals,

$$\mu(i,j) = k, \ i,j \in \mathbf{Z}, \ k \in \mathbf{N}.$$

(HINT: Use K foury, Moll and Arbib's pairing function  $\tau:\mathbf{N}^2\to\mathbf{N}$  and build from the re.)

If  $f, g : \mathbf{N} \to \mathbf{N}$  are two functions, recall that  $f \ge g$  by extension ordering if,

- (a) The domain of definition of f includes that of g, and,
- (b) for any *i* in the domain of definition of g, g(i) = f(i).

The greatest-lower-bound of a family of partial functions

$$\mathcal{G} = \{g_i : \mathbf{N} \to \mathbf{N} \mid i = 0, 1, \dots\}$$

is a partial function G such that,

- (a)  $g_i \ge G$  for all *i*. (That is, G is a lower bound of the  $g_i$ .)
- (b) For any other G' such that  $g_i \ge G'$  for all  $i, G \ge G'$ . (That is, among all lower bounds for the  $g_i, G$  is the greatest.)

Show that, under the assumption that the  $g_i$  form a descending chain,

 $g_0 \geq g_1 \geq g_2 \geq \ldots,$ 

the greatest-lower-bound of family  $\mathcal{G}$  exists.

Show that the greatest-lower-bound need not be computable even if all the  $g_i$  are.