

Sample solutions for the examination of
 Models of Computation
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1. (a) $Bool \rightarrow Bool$ is countable, $\mathbb{N} \rightarrow Bool$ is not countable.
 (b) $Bool \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is countable, because it is in bijective correspondence with $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$, which is countable.
2. **rec** $x = f x$.
3. No. We can prove this by reducing the halting problem (which is not χ -decidable) to f .

If f is χ -decidable, then there is a closed χ expression \underline{f} witnessing the computability of f . We can use this expression to construct a closed χ expression halts (written using a mixture of concrete syntax and meta-level notation):

$$\underline{halts} = \lambda p. \underline{f} \text{ } \lambda _ . (\lambda _ . \text{ } \ulcorner 0 \urcorner) _ p \text{ } \urcorner$$

This expression witnesses the decidability of the halting problem. Note that, for any closed expression $e \in Exp$,

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket \underline{halts} \text{ } \ulcorner e \urcorner \rrbracket &= \\ \llbracket \underline{f} \text{ } \lambda _ . (\lambda _ . \text{ } \ulcorner 0 \urcorner) e \rrbracket &= \\ \ulcorner \text{if } \llbracket (\lambda _ . (\lambda _ . \text{ } \ulcorner 0 \urcorner) e) \text{ } \ulcorner 7 \urcorner \rrbracket = \ulcorner 0 \urcorner \text{ then true else false } \urcorner &= \\ \ulcorner \text{if } \llbracket (\lambda _ . \text{ } \ulcorner 0 \urcorner) e \rrbracket = \ulcorner 0 \urcorner \text{ then true else false } \urcorner. & \end{aligned}$$

We have two cases to consider:

- If e is a closed χ expression that terminates with a value, then $\llbracket (\lambda _ . \text{ } \ulcorner 0 \urcorner) e \rrbracket = \ulcorner 0 \urcorner$, and thus $\llbracket \underline{halts} \text{ } \ulcorner e \urcorner \rrbracket = \ulcorner \text{true} \urcorner$.
 - If e is a closed χ expression that does not terminate with a value, then $\llbracket (\lambda _ . \text{ } \ulcorner 0 \urcorner) e \rrbracket \neq \ulcorner 0 \urcorner$, and thus $\llbracket \underline{halts} \text{ } \ulcorner e \urcorner \rrbracket = \ulcorner \text{false} \urcorner$.
4. Yes. This function is constantly **false**, because the expression **apply** $e \text{ } \ulcorner 7 \urcorner$ is not equal to $\ulcorner 0 \urcorner$ (which has **const** as its head constructor), no matter what e is. Thus the χ -decidability of the function is witnessed by the χ program $\lambda _ . \text{False}()$.

5. (a) If the machine is run with 110 as the input string, then the following configurations are encountered:

- $(s_0, [], [1, 1, 0])$.
- $(s_2, [\underline{1}], [1, 0])$.
- $(s_2, [1, \underline{1}], [0])$.
- $(s_3, [1, 1, \underline{1}], [])$.
- $(s_4, [1, \underline{1}], [1, 0])$.
- $(s_4, [\underline{1}], [1, 1, 0])$.
- $(s_4, [], [\underline{1}, 1, 1, 0])$.
- $(s_5, [], [1, 1, 1, 0])$.

The last configuration above is a halting one, with the head over the leftmost square, so the resulting string is 1110.

- (b) No. If the input is $0 \in \mathbb{N}$, i.e. the string 0, then the machine terminates successfully with the string 1, which does not correspond to a natural number.
6. The following lemma (where PRF_n^- is the variant of PRF_n obtained by removing `rec`) implies that *is-zero* is not computable, because $0 \leq 1$ but *is-zero* $0 = 1 \not\leq 0 = \textit{is-zero } 1$:

Lemma. *For any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $f \in PRF_n^-$, and $\rho_1, \rho_2 \in \mathbb{N}^n$, we have that if $\rho_1 \leq \rho_2$, then $\llbracket f \rrbracket \rho_1 \leq \llbracket f \rrbracket \rho_2$. Similarly, for any $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$, $fs \in (PRF_m^-)^n$, and $\rho_1, \rho_2 \in \mathbb{N}^m$, we have that if $\rho_1 \leq \rho_2$, then $\llbracket fs \rrbracket^* \rho_1 \leq \llbracket fs \rrbracket^* \rho_2$.*

Proof. Let us prove the two statements simultaneously, using induction on the structure of f and fs . There are four cases for the first statement:

- **zero:** $\llbracket \text{zero} \rrbracket \rho_1 = 0 \leq 0 = \llbracket \text{zero} \rrbracket \rho_2$.
- **suc:** In this case $\rho_1 = \text{nil}, n_1$ and $\rho_2 = \text{nil}, n_2$ for some $n_1, n_2 \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n_1 \leq n_2$. We get that $\llbracket \text{suc} \rrbracket \rho_1 = 1 + n_1 \leq 1 + n_2 = \llbracket \text{suc} \rrbracket \rho_2$.
- **proj i :** $\llbracket \text{proj } i \rrbracket \rho_1 = \textit{index } \rho_1 \ i \leq \textit{index } \rho_2 \ i = \llbracket \text{proj } i \rrbracket \rho_2$.
- **comp $f \ gs$:** Note first that, by one inductive hypothesis, $\llbracket gs \rrbracket^* \rho_1 \leq \llbracket gs \rrbracket^* \rho_2$. Another inductive hypothesis lets us conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket \text{comp } f \ gs \rrbracket \rho_1 &= \llbracket f \rrbracket (\llbracket gs \rrbracket^* \rho_1) \\ &\leq \llbracket f \rrbracket (\llbracket gs \rrbracket^* \rho_2) = \llbracket \text{comp } f \ gs \rrbracket \rho_2. \end{aligned}$$

Finally there are two cases for the second statement:

- **nil:** $\llbracket \text{nil} \rrbracket^* \rho_1 = \text{nil} \leq \text{nil} = \llbracket \text{nil} \rrbracket^* \rho_2$.
- **fs, f :** Two separate inductive hypotheses let us conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket fs, f \rrbracket^* \rho_1 &= \llbracket fs \rrbracket^* \rho_1, \llbracket f \rrbracket \rho_1 \\ &\leq \llbracket fs \rrbracket^* \rho_2, \llbracket f \rrbracket \rho_2 = \llbracket fs, f \rrbracket^* \rho_2. \end{aligned} \quad \square$$