

## Übungen zur Vorlesung “Recursion Theory”

**Aufgabe 1.** Show that exponentiation defined by  $x^0 := 1$ ,  $x^{y+1} := x \cdot x^y$  is register machine computable.

**Aufgabe 2.** Prove the following.

- (a) For every subelementary function  $f: \mathbb{N}^r \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  there is a number  $k$  such that for all  $\vec{n} = n_1, \dots, n_r$ ,

$$f(\vec{n}) < \max(\vec{n}, 2)^k.$$

- (b) Conclude that the function  $n \mapsto 2^n$  is not subelementary.

**Aufgabe 3.** Show that the following functions and relations of number theory are elementary:  $\lfloor \frac{m}{n} \rfloor$ ,  $m \bmod n$ ,  $\text{Prime}(m)$ ,  $p_n$ , where  $p_0, p_1, p_2, \dots$  gives the enumeration of primes in increasing order. (Hint: you may want to use the estimate  $p_n \leq 2^{2^n}$  for the  $n$ th prime  $p_n$ , which can be proved by induction on  $n$ ).

**Aufgabe 4.** Enumerate the pairs of natural numbers as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & & & & & \vdots \\ & & & & & & 10 \\ & & & & & 6 & \dots \\ & & & 3 & 7 & \dots \\ & 1 & 4 & 8 & \dots \\ & 0 & 2 & 5 & 9 & \dots \end{array}$$

Let  $\pi(a, b)$  be the number written at position  $(a, b)$ , so  $\pi: \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  is a bijection. Let  $\pi_1, \pi_2$  be the components of its inverse, so

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_1(\pi(a, b)) &= a, \\ \pi_2(\pi(a, b)) &= b, \\ \pi(\pi_1(c), \pi_2(c)) &= c. \end{aligned}$$

Show the following.

- (a)  $\pi, \pi_1$  and  $\pi_2$  are subelementary.  
(b)  $\pi(a, b) < (a + b + 1)^2$ ,  
(c)  $\pi_1(c), \pi_2(c) \leq c$ .

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