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Reading Assignment for Tuesday
pages 75-86 (§ 12-14)

There will be an easy quiz to
check if you have read these.

$$f(1) = 1$$

$$f(n+1) = \sqrt{f(1) + f(2) + \dots + f(n)}$$

This defines a function $f: \mathbb{Z}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

n	$f(n)$
1	1
2	$\sqrt{1} = 1$
3	$\sqrt{1+1} = \sqrt{2}$
4	$\sqrt{1+\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{2+\sqrt{2}}$
5	$\sqrt{1+1+\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{2+\sqrt{2}}} = \sqrt{2+\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{2}}$
6	

$$f(5) = f(4+1) = \sqrt{f(1) + f(2) + f(3) + f(4)}$$

$$= \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{f(1)} + \sqrt{f(1) + f(2)} + \sqrt{f(1) + f(2) + f(3)}}$$

$$= \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1} + \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{2}} + \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{f(1)}} + \sqrt{f(1) + f(2)}}$$

$$= \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1} + \sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1}} + \sqrt{1} + \sqrt{1} + \sqrt{1} + \sqrt{1}}$$

Notation

$A^\omega =$ set of functions $f: \mathbb{Z}_+ \rightarrow A$
 $=$ set of infinite sequences in A .

$A^{<\omega} =$ [set of finite sequences in A]

$= \{\emptyset\} \cup A^1 \cup A^2 \cup A^3 \cup A^4 \cup \dots =$

$$\underbrace{\{\emptyset\}}_{A^0} \cup \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_+} A^n = \bigcup_{n \in \{\emptyset\} \cup \mathbb{Z}_+} A^n$$

Principle of recursive definition

if $G: A^{<\omega} \rightarrow A$, then there is a

unique function $f \in A^\omega$ such that

$$f(n) = G(f(1), f(2), \dots, f(n-1))$$

for a $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$.

$$G: [0, \infty)^{<\omega} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$$

$$G(\emptyset) = 1$$

$$G((x_1, \dots, x_n)) = \sqrt{x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n} \text{ (if } n > 0)$$

There is a unique $f: \mathbb{Z}_+ \rightarrow [0, \infty)$

(ie, $f \in [0, \infty)^\omega$) such that

$$f(n) = G((f(1), \dots, f(n-1))) \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$$

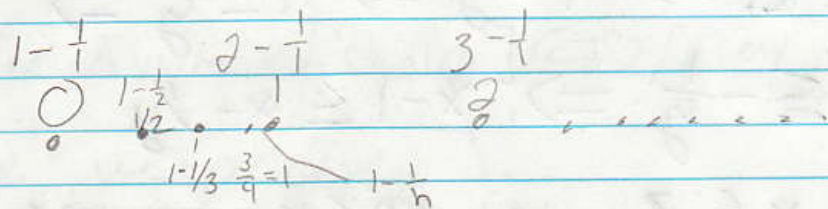
• A order relation $<$ on a set L is a well-ordering if every nonempty subset of L has a minimum.

• An order relation is a well ordering

\Leftrightarrow there is no infinite descending

sequence: $x_1 > x_2 > x_3 > x_4 > x_5 > \dots > x_n >$

$$A = \left\{ m - \frac{1}{n} \mid m, n \in \mathbb{Z}_+ \right\} \in \mathbb{R}$$



A is well ordered

Let $\emptyset \neq B \subset A$.

$$C = \left\{ m \in \mathbb{Z}_+ \mid m - \frac{1}{n} \in B \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{Z}_+ \right\}$$

is not \emptyset because $B \neq \emptyset$.

Let $m = \min(C)$

$\min(C)$ exists because $C \subset \mathbb{Z}_+$

$$D = \{n \in \mathbb{Z}_+ \mid m - \frac{1}{n} \in B\}.$$

$$n = \min(D) \quad (\text{OK because } d \neq 0 \in \mathbb{Z}_+)$$

Claim $m - \frac{1}{n} = \min(B)$.

$m \in C \Rightarrow m - \frac{1}{k} \in B$ for
some $k \Rightarrow k \in D$ for
some k

Suppose $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $x - \frac{1}{y} \in B$.

$$x \in C. \quad x \geq \min(C) = m$$

Case 1 $x > m$:

$$y \in \mathbb{Z}_+ \Rightarrow 1 \leq y \Rightarrow 1 \geq \frac{1}{y} \Rightarrow$$

$$-1 \leq -\frac{1}{y} \Rightarrow x - 1 \leq x - \frac{1}{y}$$

$m, x \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ and $m < x$, so $m \leq x - 1$.

So, $m \leq x - 1 \leq x - \frac{1}{y}$. So,

$$m - \frac{1}{n} \leq m \leq x - \frac{1}{y}.$$

Case 2 $x = m$:

$m - \frac{1}{y} = x - \frac{1}{y} \in B$ and $y \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, so

$y \in D$. So, $y \geq \min(D) = n$.

$$y \geq n > 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} \leq \frac{1}{n} \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{y} \geq -\frac{1}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x - \frac{1}{y} = m - \frac{1}{y} \geq m - \frac{1}{n} \right) \checkmark$$

Same argument proves

$\mathbb{Z}_+ \times \mathbb{Z}_+$, $<$ dictionary is well-ordered.

Is the $<$ an order relation [on \mathbb{R}

that is a well-ordering? [can't be $<$!

(the usual ordering)!

$\mathbb{R} = \{x_1 [x_2 [x_3 [x_4 [x_5 [\dots [x_n [\dots [x_w [x_{w+1}]]]]]]]]\}$

Yes, but it "infinitely complicated"!

[The Axiom of choice] \Leftrightarrow [Every set can be well-ordered].

Another counterintuitive object

S_ω is an uncountable well-ordered set but for all $x \in S_\omega$, $\{y \in S_\omega \mid y < x\}$ is countable.

$S_\omega = \{1 < 2 < 3 < 4 < \dots < n < n+1 < \dots < \omega < \omega+1 < \omega+2$

$< \dots < \omega + \omega < \omega + \omega + 1 < \omega + \omega + 2$

$< \omega + \omega + \omega < \omega \cdot 3 < \dots < \omega^2 < \dots < \omega \cdot 5$

$< \dots < \omega \cdot \omega = \omega^2 < \dots < \omega^2 + \omega < \dots < \omega^2 \cdot 2$

$< \dots < \omega^3 < \dots < \omega^4 < \dots < \omega^{\omega} < \dots < \omega^{\omega \omega}$

$< \dots < \epsilon_0 < \{\epsilon_0 + 1 < \dots\}$

You can extend the

Principle of recursive definition from

\mathbb{Z}_+ to any well-ordered set W .

Before $f(1) = a$

$$f(n+1) = G(\langle f(i) : i \leq n \rangle)$$

Now: $f(\min(W)) = a$

$$f(x) = G(\langle f(y) : y < x \rangle)$$