MA 5219 - Logic and Foundations of Mathematics 1

Course-Webpage http://www.comp.nus.edu.sg/~fstephan/mathlogic.html Homework due in Week 6, Tuesday 17 September 2013.

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Hand in each homework which you want to be checked; 1 mark per each correct starred homework; up to 10 marks in total for homework - there will be more than 10 starred homeworks, so you have several chances to try.

6.1* Programs. Write programs which compute the following functions using either the given language of the lecture or the language with for-loops, while-loops, if-statements and terms using addition and multiplication with constants. The programs might be permitted to call other subprograms (to be defined as well) or themselves. Input and output are always natural numbers.

(a) The function Choose(m, n) being the coefficient for x^m in the expansion of $(x+1)^n$. The output is 0 in the case that m > n.

(b) The function $Log_{\mathcal{I}}(n)$ being the maximum m such that $3^m \leq n$; with the exception handling that $Log_{\mathcal{I}}(0)$ is 0.

(c) A function Is3Power(n) which is 1 in the case that n is a power of 3 and which is 0 if this not a case. Here Is3Power(0) is 0, that is, $3^{-\infty}$ does not count as a power. However, 3^0 counts as a power of 3.

6.2* Formulas. Here show that for the following functions $f_k(x)$ the relation $f_k(x) = y$ can be defined using a formula $\phi_k(x, y)$ in which all quantifiers are bounded. The underlying structure is the set of natural numbers with addition and multiplication. Here a quantifier is bounded if it ranges only over numbers below a term expressed in x and y and constants.

(a) $f_1(x) = y$ iff y > x and y is the least upper bound of x such that y and y + 2 are both prime numbers.

(b) $f_2(x) = y$ iff y is even and $y \ge x$ and y is not the sum of two prime numbers. (c) $f_3(x) = y$ iff y > x and $y = a^5 + b^5$ and $y = c^5 + d^5$ for positive integers a, b, c, d with $\{a, b\} \ne \{c, d\}$.

Is it known that any of these functions is total? That is, is $\forall x \exists y [\phi_k(x, y)]$ known to be true or false for any k?

6.3 Definability. Give an easy mathematical condition describing the following set A: $x \in A \Leftrightarrow \forall u, v, w, y [x \neq u^2 + v^2 + w^2 + 8 \cdot y].$