Exam of Theoretical Computer Science. Year 2009–2010. A. Pettorossi.

1. **Decidability and Partial Recursive Functions**: • r.e. sets and recursive sets. • Semidecidability of the Halting Problem of the Turing Machine. • Partial Recursive Functions. (AP: all proofs are optional.)

2. Predicate Calculus and Logic Programming: • Syntax and semantics: Classical Presentation.
• Operational and Denotational Semantics of Definite Logic Programs. (PC&LP: Sections: 1, 2.1, 3, 4, 8, 9.3, 9.4. All proofs are optional.)

3. Well-founded Recursion Theorem (WI Section 10.4 + HO) (No proof)

4. Language IMP: ● Operational Semantics (WI Sections: 2.1–2.4). ● Denotational Semantics (WI Section 5.2. Use the functional form, as indicated in HO). ● Axiomatic Semantics (WI Sections: 6.1–6.4). ● Rule induction (WI Sections: 4.1–4.3). ● Soundness of Axiomatic Semantics (WI Section 6.5). ● Weakest Preconditions, Expressiveness Theorem, and Relative Completeness Theorem. (WI Sections: 7.2 and 7.4). (No proofs)

5. Language REC: • Operational Semantics and Denotational Semantics in call-by-value and in callby-name. • Equivalence of semantics. • The Factorial example in the two languages. (WI Sections 9.1, 9.2, 9.3, Theorem 9.8, Sections 9.5, 9.6, and Theorem 9.15. No proofs)

6. Complete partial orders. • Products, function space, curry, apply, lifting, sum, and Cond.

Metalanguage for denotational semantics.
Fixpoint of continuous functions and Kleene Theorem.
Scott fixpoint induction, Park induction, and Bekić Theorem. (HO + WI Sections 8.1, 8.2. Basic definitions and properties of Sections 8.3, 8.4, 10.1, 10.2, 10.3. Proof of Kleene's Theorem. No proofs of all other theorems.)

7. Higher order languages: • The Eager language, the Lazy1 language (see Section 11.7), and Lazy2 language (see Section 11.10): • Operational Semantics and Denotational Semantics. • The Factorial Example in the three languages. • The β rule and the η rule in Eager, Lazy1, and Lazy2. (HO + WI Sections 11.1, 11.2, and 11.3. Section 11.4: only what is necessary for Corollary 11.15. Sections 11.5, 11.6, and 11.7. Section 11.8: only what is necessary for Corollary 11.24. Basic concepts of 11.10. No proofs)

Optional: Fixpoint operators in Eager, Lazy1, and Lazy2 (WI: Section 11.9). *Optional*: Adequacy and full-abstraction (WI: Parts of Section 11.10).

8. Non-determinism and Concurrency. • Owicki-Gries rules (HO). • Milner's CCS. • Axiomatization of finite state processes. • Hennessy-Milner logic. • Modal μ-calculus. • Local model checking.
• Correctness proof of the Alternating Bit Protocol. (HO + WI: Sections 14.1, 14.4–14.8. No proofs). Optional: Dijkstra's guarded commands (WI: Section 14.2). Optional: Bisimulation equivalence and Bisimulation congruence for CCS (WI: Exercise 14.9).

9. Projects: (A1) A Prolog program for the operational semantics of the Lazy language.

(A2) A simple local model checker in Prolog. Proof of a modal formula of a simple communication protocol similar to the one indicated in WI Exercise 14.22.

References.

- AP: Pettorossi, A.: *Elements of Computability, Decidability, and Complexity.* Third Edition. Aracne (2009).

- PC&LP: A. Pettorossi and M. Proietti: *Predicate Calculus and Logic Programming*. Second Edition. Aracne 2005.

- WI: Winskel's book.

- HO: Handouts.