

## Take-Home Exam of Theoretical Computer Science. January 2012.

1. Let  $N$  denote the set of the natural numbers. Show that  $f : N \rightarrow N$  such that

$$f(x) = \mathbf{if } x \leq 3 \mathbf{ then } 1 \mathbf{ else } x \times f(x-1) \times f(x-2)$$

is a primitive recursive function.

2. Let  $N$  denote the set of the natural numbers. Show that the inverse  $f^{-1}$  of an injection  $f : N \rightarrow N$  which is a partial recursive function, is itself a partial recursive function.

3. Let  $N$  denote the set of the natural numbers. Let PRF be the set of all partial-recursive-functions from  $N$  to  $N$  (p.r.f, for short). Show that the set of the total p.r.f. is not a recursive subset of PRF.

4. Let  $N$  denote the set of the natural numbers. Consider the function  $sum : N \times N \rightarrow N$  defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{for all } n \in N, \quad sum(0, n) &= n \\ \text{for all } m, n \in N, \quad sum(succ(m), n) &= succ(sum(m, n)), \end{aligned}$$

where  $succ$  is the successor function on the natural numbers.

Show by mathematical induction on two variables, that for all  $m, n \in N$ ,  $sum(m, n) = sum(n, m)$ .

5. Consider a definite logic program  $P$ . Give the definition of (i) an interpretation of  $P$ , (ii) a Herbrand interpretation of  $P$ , (iii) a model of  $P$ , (iv) a Herbrand model of  $P$ , and (v) the least Herbrand model of  $P$ .

6. Show that  $\vdash (\exists x [x = t \wedge A(x)]) \leftrightarrow A(t)$  if  $t$  is free for  $x$  in  $A(x)$  and  $x$  does not occur in  $t$ . Show that the two conditions above are necessary.

7. Given a continuous function  $f : D \rightarrow D$ , where  $D$  is a cpo with bottom. Show that:

- (i)  $\bigsqcup_{n \in \omega} (\lambda f. f^n(\perp)) = \lambda f. (\bigsqcup_{n \in \omega} f^n(\perp))$ , and
- (ii)  $fix(f) = f(fix(f))$  where  $fix$  is defined as follows:  $\bigsqcup_{n \in \omega} (\lambda f. f^n(\perp))$ .

8. Prove the total correctness of the following program (division in binary arithmetics):

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{P ≥ 0 ∧ Q > 0}
r := P; m := Q; k := 0; q := 0;
while r ≥ m do m := m × 2; k := k + 1 od;
while m ≠ Q do m := m / 2; k := k - 1;
    if r ≥ m then begin r := r - m; q := q + 2k end
od
{0 ≤ r < Q ∧ P = Q × q + r}
    
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9. Let  $N$  be the set of natural numbers. Show that for any  $a, b \in N$ , for any function  $c \in N \rightarrow N$ , for any function  $f \in N \rightarrow N$  defined by the following equations:

$$f(0) = a \quad f(1) = b \quad f(n+2) = c(f(n))$$

we have that the following program:

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{K ≥ 0}
k := K;
if even(k) then res := a else res := b;
while k > 1 do res := c(res); k := k - 2 od
{res = f(K)}
    
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is totally correct.

10. Find the weakest precondition  $F(x)$  of the statement  $x := 0; \mathbf{while } Q(x) \wedge x \geq 0 \mathbf{ do } x := x + 1$  and the postcondition  $Q(x)$ . Show that for all formulas  $P(x)$  such that the Hoare triple

$$\{P(x)\} x := 0; \mathbf{while } Q(x) \wedge x \geq 0 \mathbf{ do } x := x + 1 \{Q(x)\}$$

holds, we have that  $P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)$ .

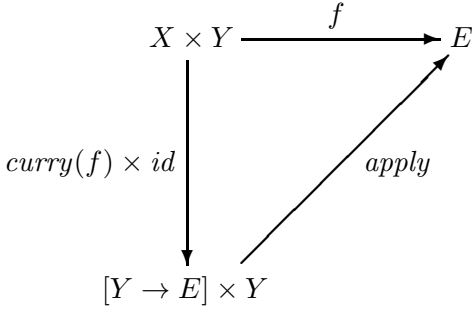
11. Find all formulas  $P(x, y)$  such that the Hoare triple

$$\{y > 1\} x := 0; \text{ while } y > x \wedge P(x, y) \text{ do } x := y - 1 \{x = 0 \wedge y > 1\}$$

holds. Explain your answer.

12. Let us consider a cpo  $(D, \sqsubseteq)$ .  $U$  subset of  $D$  is said to be *open* iff (i)  $\forall d, e \in D. (d \sqsubseteq e \text{ and } d \in U) \Rightarrow e \in U$ , and (ii) for all chains  $d_0 \sqsubseteq d_1 \sqsubseteq \dots$  in  $D$  we have  $\bigsqcup_{n \in \omega} d_n \in U \Rightarrow \exists n \in \omega. d_n \in U$ . Show that: (i)  $\emptyset$  and  $D$  are open, (ii) any finite intersection of open sets is open, and (iii) the union of any set of open sets is open.

13. Let  $N$  be the discrete cpo of the natural numbers. Explain the meaning of the commutativity of the following diagram, where  $f$  is a continuous function:



Give the explicit definition of the functions *apply* and  $\lambda f. \text{curry}(f)$ , in the case where: (i)  $X = Y = E = N$ , and (ii)  $f$  is  $\lambda x y. \text{sum}(x, y)$ , where for all  $x, y \in N$ , (ii.1)  $\text{sum}(0, y) = y$ , and (ii.2)  $\text{sum}(\text{succ}(x), y) = \text{succ}(\text{sum}(x, y))$ .

14. We say that a binary relation  $\prec \subseteq X \times X$  is well-founded on a set  $X$  iff there is no infinite descending sequence  $\dots \prec x_i \prec \dots \prec x_1 \prec x_0$  of elements of  $X$ . Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be a function and  $\prec_B$  be a well-founded relation on  $B$ . Show that  $\prec_A$  is a well-founded relation on  $A$ , where  $\prec_A$  is defined as follows:  $a \prec_A a'$  iff  $f(a) \prec_B f(a')$ .

15. Let us consider two cpo's  $D$  and  $E$  and a continuous function  $f$  from  $D$  to  $E$ . Show that if  $Q$  is an inclusive subset of  $E$  then  $P = f^{-1}(Q)$  is an inclusive subset of  $D$ .

Recall that a set  $P$  is said to be *inclusive* iff for each  $\omega$ -chain  $d_0 \sqsubseteq d_1 \sqsubseteq \dots$  in  $P$  we have that  $(\bigsqcup_{i \in \omega} d_i) \in P$ .

16. Let  $N$  denote the discrete cpo of the integers and  $N_\perp$  denote the flat cpo of the integers. Let us consider the following function, expressed in the REC language:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{ack}(m, n) = & \text{ if } m \text{ then } n + 1 \text{ else} \\
 & \text{ if } n \text{ then } \text{ack}(m - 1, 1) \text{ else} \\
 & \text{ack}(m - 1, \text{ack}(m, n - 1)).
 \end{aligned}$$

Prove that for all  $m, n \geq 0$ , (i)  $\text{ack}(m, n)$  terminates in the call-by-value semantics, and (ii)  $\text{ack}(m, n)$  terminates in the call-by-name semantics.

17. Consider the following three rewriting rules:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{ack}(0, n) & \rightarrow s(n) \\
 \text{ack}(s(m), 0) & \rightarrow \text{ack}(m, s(0)) \\
 \text{ack}(s(m), s(n)) & \rightarrow \text{ack}(m, \text{ack}(s(m), n))
 \end{aligned}$$

where, as usual, the natural numbers  $0, 1, 2, \dots$  are denoted by  $0, s(0), s(s(0)), \dots$ , respectively.

Prove that for all  $m, n \geq 0$ , every sequence  $t_0, t_1, \dots$  of terms, such that: (i)  $t_0 = \text{ack}(m, n)$ , and (ii) for all  $i \geq 0$ ,  $t_{i+1}$  is derived from  $t_i$  by applying in *any subterm* of  $t_i$  *any* of the above rewriting rules, is finite.

18. Consider the equation  $f(x) = \text{if } x < 3 \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } x \times f(x - 1)$  and the associated functional  $\varphi = \lambda f. \lambda x. \text{if } x < 3 \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } x \times f(x - 1)$ .

(i) Compute the function  $\delta_{\varphi a} : N \rightarrow N_\perp$ , where  $N$  is the discrete cpo of natural numbers, defined

as the minimal fixpoint of  $\varphi$  in call-by-value semantics. (ii) Compute the function  $\delta_{na} : N_{\perp} \rightarrow N_{\perp}$  defined as the minimal fixpoint of  $\varphi$  in call-by-name semantics.

19. Check whether or not in lazy1 denotational semantics for any  $F : \tau \rightarrow \tau$ , for any environment  $\rho$ , we have that  $[[F(RF)]]\rho = [[RF]]\rho$ , where  $R$  is  $\mathbf{rec} \ y.(\lambda f.f(yf))$ . Do the same check in the case the lazy2 denotational semantics.

20. Check whether or not for any environment  $\rho$ ,

$$[[\mathbf{rec} \ f.(\lambda x.e)]]\rho = [[\lambda y.(\mathbf{let} \ f' \Leftarrow (\mathbf{rec} \ f.(\lambda x.e)) \ \mathbf{in} \ f'(y))]]\rho$$

in eager, lazy1, or lazy2 denotational semantics. Assume that: (i)  $x, y, f$ , and  $f'$  are pairwise distinct, and (ii) neither  $y$  nor  $f'$  occurs free in  $e$ . Obviously,  $f$  may occur free in  $e$ . Recall that in eager, lazy1, or lazy2 denotational semantics we have that  $[[\mathbf{let} \ x \Leftarrow t_1 \ \mathbf{in} \ t]]\rho = [[(\lambda x.t) t_1]]\rho$ .

21. Show that the bisimulation equivalence in pure CCS is an equivalence relation and not a congruence relation.

22. Assume that, given a formula  $A$ , the formula  $\nu X.(A \wedge [.]X)$  holds in a state, say  $s$ , of a given process. Explain in words the meaning of  $\nu X.(A \wedge [.]X)$  for the state  $s$ .

### Projects.

A1. Define a higher order lazy language, call it EL, which is an extension of the Lazy language and write a Prolog program for the operational semantics of EL.

A2. Write a simple local model checker in Prolog and use it for proving the correctness of a mutual exclusion protocol or a cache coherence protocol.