COMPUTER SCIENCE TRIPOS Part IB – 2019 – Paper 4

9 Semantics of Programming Languages (pes20)

Consider the following pure functional language, in which n ranges over the mathematical integers.

 $T ::= \inf 1 | \inf 8 | \inf 16 | \inf 11 | \inf 8 | \inf 16 | T \to T' | T * T' | T + T'$ $e ::= n | e_T e' | x | fn x: T \Rightarrow e | e e' | (e, e') | #1 e | #2 e | inl_T e | inr_T e$ $| case e of inl (x_1 : T_1) \Rightarrow e_1 | inr (x_2 : T_2) \Rightarrow e_2$

Its operational semantics is defined as a relation $e \longrightarrow e'$ with the standard rules for a pure call-by-value left-to-right functional language, except with the following rules for addition of values. As usual, the expression $n +_T n'$ is stuck if one of these does not apply.

 $\begin{array}{ll} n \in -2^{N-1} \dots 2^{N-1} - 1 & n \in 0 \dots 2^N - 1 \\ n' \in -2^{N-1} \dots 2^{N-1} - 1 & n' \in 0 \dots 2^N - 1 \\ n'' = n + n' & n'' = n + n' \\ \hline n +_{\operatorname{int} N} n' \longrightarrow n'' & \operatorname{PLUS_INT} & \frac{n''' = n'' \mod 2^N}{n +_{\operatorname{uint} N} n' \longrightarrow n'''} \operatorname{PLUS_UINT} \end{array}$

- (a) Define a subtype relation T <: T' and type relation $\Gamma \vdash e : T$ for this syntax and operational semantics that will permit flexible use of integers in the appropriate ranges. You can omit the standard type relation rules for the expressions (e, e'), $\#1 \ e, \ \#2 \ e, \ \mathbf{inl}_T \ e, \ \mathbf{inr}_T \ e$, and **case**. [14 marks]
- (b) Explain three main aspects of your definitions, with reference to the programming idioms they permit and the runtime errors they exclude, with examples. [6 marks]