COMPUTER SCIENCE TRIPOS Part II – 2018 – Paper 9

5 Denotational Semantics (MPF)

- (a) Give the definitions of poset (partially ordered set), cpo (chain complete poset), and domain. [2 marks]
- (b) An ideal I of a poset $P = (P, \leq)$ is a subset I of the set P such that:
 - \bullet I is non-empty,
 - for every $x \in I$ and $y \in P$, $y \le x$ implies $y \in I$, and
 - for every $x, y \in I$, there is $u \in I$ such that $x \leq u$ and $y \leq u$.

We write Idl(P), where P is a poset, for the set of all the ideals of P.

- (i) Show that $(Idl(P), \subseteq)$, where \subseteq denotes the subset-inclusion relation, is a cpo. [3 marks]
- (ii) Show that $Idl(P, \leq)$ is non-empty iff P is non-empty. [2 marks]
- (iii) Give a necessary and sufficient condition on a poset P for the cpo $(Idl(P), \subseteq)$ to be a domain. Justify your answer. [2 marks]
- (c) Give the definitions of monotone function between posets and of continuous function between cpos. [2 marks]
- (d) (i) For a monotone function $f: P \to Q$ between posets P and Q, define a continuous function $f^{\#}: (Idl(P), \subseteq) \to (Idl(Q), \subseteq)$ between the cpos $(Idl(P), \subseteq)$ and $(Idl(Q), \subseteq)$. Prove that your definition is as requested.

 [4 marks]
 - (ii) For the identity function id_{P} on a poset P , show that $(id_{\mathsf{P}})^{\#}$ is the identity function on the cpo $(Idl(\mathsf{P}),\subseteq)$. [1 mark]
 - (iii) For monotone functions $f: \mathsf{P} \to \mathsf{Q}$ and $g: \mathsf{O} \to \mathsf{P}$ between posets $\mathsf{O}, \mathsf{P},$ and $\mathsf{Q},$ show that $f^\# \circ g^\# = (f \circ g)^\# : (Idl(\mathsf{O}), \subseteq) \to (Idl(\mathsf{Q}), \subseteq).$ [4 marks]