

9 Semantics of Programming Languages (pes20)

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

$T ::= \text{int1} \mid \text{int8} \mid \text{int16} \mid \text{uint1} \mid \text{uint8} \mid \text{uint16} \mid T \rightarrow T' \mid T * T' \mid T + T'$
 $e ::= n \mid e +_T e' \mid x \mid \text{fn } x:T \Rightarrow e \mid e e' \mid (e, e') \mid \#1 e \mid \#2 e \mid \text{inl}_T e \mid \text{inr}_T e$
 $\mid \text{case } e \text{ of } \text{inl}(x_1 : T_1) \Rightarrow e_1 \mid \text{inr}(x_2 : T_2) \Rightarrow e_2$

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.

$$\frac{\begin{array}{l} n \in -2^{N-1} \dots 2^{N-1} - 1 \\ n' \in -2^{N-1} \dots 2^{N-1} - 1 \\ n'' = n + n' \\ n'' \in -2^{N-1} \dots 2^{N-1} - 1 \end{array}}{n +_{\text{int}N} n' \longrightarrow n''} \text{ PLUS_INT} \quad \frac{\begin{array}{l} n \in 0 \dots 2^N - 1 \\ n' \in 0 \dots 2^N - 1 \\ n'' = n + n' \\ n''' = n'' \bmod 2^N \end{array}}{n +_{\text{uint}N} n' \longrightarrow n''} \text{ PLUS_UINT}$$

- (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') , $\#1 e$, $\#2 e$, $\text{inl}_T e$, $\text{inr}_T e$, 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]