

# Semantics and Domain theory

## Exercises 5

1. Prove Proposition 3.3.1, that is prove that, given the partial function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ , the function  $f_{\perp} : X_{\perp} \rightarrow Y_{\perp}$  is continuous.
2. Prove Proposition 3.3.2, that is, prove that for each domain  $D$  the function  $\text{if} : B_{\perp} \times (D \times D) \rightarrow D$  defined by  $\text{if}(\text{tt}, (d, e)) = d$ ,  $\text{if}(\text{ff}, (d, e)) = e$  and  $\text{if}(\perp, (d, e)) = \perp$  is continuous.
3. (Exercise 3.4.2 of Winskell): Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be sets and  $X_{\perp}$  and  $Y_{\perp}$  be the corresponding flat domains. Show that a function  $f : X_{\perp} \rightarrow Y_{\perp}$  is continuous if and only if one of (a) or (b) holds:
  - (a)  $f$  is strict, i.e.  $f(\perp) = \perp$ .
  - (b)  $f$  is constant, i.e.  $\forall x \in X (f(x) = f(\perp))$ .
4. Show that the following two definitions of the ordering between functions  $f, g : D \rightarrow E$  (see Slide 17) are equivalent.
  - (a)  $f \sqsubseteq g := \forall d \in D (f(d) \sqsubseteq_E g(d))$ .
  - (b)  $f \sqsubseteq' g := \forall d_1, d_2 \in D (d_1 \sqsubseteq_D d_2 \Rightarrow f(d_1) \sqsubseteq_E g(d_2))$ .
5. Prove that for  $D$  a domain and  $F : (D \rightarrow D) \rightarrow (D \rightarrow D)$  and  $g : D \rightarrow D$  continuous,

$$\text{ev}(\text{fix}(F), \text{fix}(g)) = \sqcup_{k \geq 0} F^k(\perp')(g^k(\perp)),$$

where  $\perp$  is in  $D$  and  $\perp'$  is in  $D \rightarrow D$  and  $\text{ev}$  is the evaluation function of Proposition 3.2.1.

6. We define two variants of a functional  $F : [\mathbb{N}_{\perp} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_{\perp}] \rightarrow \mathbb{B}_{\perp}$  that, given a continuous function  $f : \mathbb{N}_{\perp} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_{\perp}$ , checks if  $f$  has a fixed point in  $\mathbb{N}$ . (That is: an  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  for which  $f(n) = n$ ).

$$F_1(f) := \begin{cases} \text{tt} & \text{if } f \text{ is total and } \exists n \in \mathbb{N} (f(n) = n) \\ \text{ff} & \text{if } f \text{ is total and } \forall n \in \mathbb{N} (f(n) \neq n) \\ \perp & \text{if } f \text{ is not total} \end{cases}$$

$$F_2(f) := \begin{cases} \text{tt} & \text{if } \exists n \in \mathbb{N} (f(n) = n \wedge \forall m < n (f(m) \neq m, \perp)) \\ \perp & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

NB. “ $f$  is total” means that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} (f(n) \neq \perp)$ .

You may assume that both  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are monotone: this has been checked in the lecture. (If it hasn't, please verify this for yourself.)

- (a) Prove that one of the  $F_i$  does not preserve lubs (and thus is not continuous).
- (b) Prove that one of the  $F_i$  preserves lubs (and thus is continuous).