

Exercise Sheet 11 - Model Answers

1. (a)

$$\begin{aligned}
S\ n\ (\lambda u. u) &= (\lambda mh. h(mfx))\ n\ (\lambda u. u) \\
&\longrightarrow_{\beta} (\lambda u. u)\ (n\ f\ x) \\
&\longrightarrow_{\beta} n\ f\ x
\end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
T(\lambda u. x) &= (\lambda gh. h(gf))\ (\lambda u. x) \\
&\longrightarrow_{\beta} (\lambda h. h((\lambda u. x))\ f) \\
&\longrightarrow_{\beta} \lambda h. hx
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
S0 &= (\lambda mh. h(mfx))0 \\
&\longrightarrow_{\beta} \lambda h. h(0fx) \\
&\longrightarrow_{\beta} \lambda h. hx
\end{aligned}$$

2. (a) f can have any type A whatsoever, and $0 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda f:A\ x:\sigma. x:\sigma$ is well typed, with type $A \rightarrow \sigma \rightarrow \sigma$.

(b) To make the application fx well typed, f must have type $\sigma \rightarrow B$ for some B . Then $1 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda f:\sigma \rightarrow B\ x:\sigma. f:\sigma \rightarrow B\ x:\sigma$ is well typed, with type $(\sigma \rightarrow B) \rightarrow \sigma \rightarrow B$.

(c) We must match

$$\begin{aligned}
&A \rightarrow \sigma \rightarrow \sigma \\
&(\sigma \rightarrow B) \rightarrow \sigma \rightarrow B
\end{aligned}$$

To match the final results without imposing any restrictions on σ , we take $B = \sigma$, after which we find we must take $A = \sigma \rightarrow B = \sigma \rightarrow \sigma$. Hence we type $f:\sigma \rightarrow \sigma$. 0 and 1 then have type $(\sigma \rightarrow \sigma) \rightarrow \sigma \rightarrow \sigma$.

We then have that

$$2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda f:\sigma \rightarrow \sigma\ x:\sigma. f:\sigma \rightarrow \sigma\ (f:\sigma \rightarrow \sigma\ x:\sigma)$$

is well typed since fx and $f(fx)$ both have type σ , and again has type $(\sigma \rightarrow \sigma) \rightarrow \sigma \rightarrow \sigma$.

3. (a) $+\ m\ n$ is got by adding 1 to n m times.

$$+ \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda mn. m\ \text{succ}\ n$$

(b) $m + n$ is n if m is 0, and otherwise $1 + ((m - 1) + n)$.

$$Y_{\text{nat} \rightarrow \text{nat} \rightarrow \text{nat}}\ \lambda P. \lambda mn. \text{zero?}_{\text{nat}}\ m\ n\ (\text{succ}\ (P\ (\text{pred}\ m)\ n))$$

(No marks deducted if you missed out the types.)