

Solution Notes. Part II Types 2004 (PNB)

1. Mutually inductive definitions. (2 marks for broad structure.)

- (2 marks.) Since $\alpha[\alpha_i/\beta] = \alpha$

$$\begin{aligned} P_\alpha &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Lambda\alpha_1, \alpha_2. \lambda f : \alpha_1 \rightarrow \alpha_2. \lambda x : \alpha. x \\ N_\alpha &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Lambda\alpha_1, \alpha_2. \lambda f : \alpha_1 \rightarrow \alpha_2. \lambda x : \alpha. x \end{aligned}$$

- (2 marks.) Since $\beta[\alpha_i/\beta] = \alpha_i$

$$P_\beta \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Lambda\alpha_1, \alpha_2. \lambda f : \alpha_1 \rightarrow \alpha_2. f$$

Alternatively, one could eta-expand, thus:

$$P_\beta \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Lambda\alpha_1, \alpha_2. \lambda f : \alpha_1 \rightarrow \alpha_2. \lambda x : \alpha_1. f x$$

- (2 marks.) Since $(\forall\alpha.\tau)[\alpha_i/\beta] = \forall\alpha.(\tau[\alpha_i/\beta])$ (by α -converting if necessary):

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\forall\alpha.\tau} &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Lambda\alpha_1, \alpha_2. \lambda f : \alpha_1 \rightarrow \alpha_2. \lambda x : \forall\alpha. \tau[\alpha_i/\beta]. \Lambda\alpha. P_\tau \alpha_1 \alpha_2 f (x\alpha) \\ N_{\forall\alpha.\nu} &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Lambda\alpha_1, \alpha_2. \lambda f : \alpha_1 \rightarrow \alpha_2. \lambda x : \forall\alpha. \nu[\alpha_i/\beta]. \Lambda\alpha. N_\nu \alpha_1 \alpha_2 f (x\alpha) \end{aligned}$$

- (4 marks.) Since $(\nu \rightarrow \tau)[\alpha_i/\beta] = \nu[\alpha_i/\beta] \rightarrow \tau[\alpha_i/\beta]$ and similarly the other way around:

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\nu \rightarrow \tau} &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Lambda\alpha_1, \alpha_2. \lambda f : \alpha_1 \rightarrow \alpha_2. \lambda g : \nu[\alpha_i/\beta] \rightarrow \tau[\alpha_i/\beta]. \\ &\quad \lambda x : \nu[\alpha_i/\beta]. P_\tau \alpha_1 \alpha_2 f (g (N_\nu \alpha_1 \alpha_2 f x)) \\ N_{\tau \rightarrow \nu} &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Lambda\alpha_1, \alpha_2. \lambda f : \alpha_1 \rightarrow \alpha_2. \lambda g : \tau[\alpha_i/\beta] \rightarrow \nu[\alpha_i/\beta]. \\ &\quad \lambda x : \tau[\alpha_i/\beta]. N_\nu \alpha_1 \alpha_2 f (g (P_\tau \alpha_1 \alpha_2 f x)) \end{aligned}$$

2. Normal form. (8 marks total, roughly one per line of the following.)

$$P_{\forall\alpha.(\beta \rightarrow \alpha) \rightarrow \alpha} = \Lambda\alpha_1, \alpha_2. \lambda f : \alpha_1 \rightarrow \alpha_2. \lambda p : \forall\alpha. (\alpha_1 \rightarrow \alpha) \rightarrow \alpha. \Lambda\alpha. P_{(\beta \rightarrow \alpha) \rightarrow \alpha} \alpha_1 \alpha_2 f (p \alpha)$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} P_{(\beta \rightarrow \alpha) \rightarrow \alpha} \alpha_1 \alpha_2 f (p \alpha) \\ &\rightarrow \lambda x : \alpha_2 \rightarrow \alpha. P_\alpha \alpha_1 \alpha_2 f (p \alpha (N_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha} \alpha_1 \alpha_2 f x)) \\ &\quad \text{(by definition of } P_\alpha) \\ &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda x : \alpha_2 \rightarrow \alpha. p \alpha (\lambda y : \alpha_1. N_\alpha \alpha_1 \alpha_2 f (x (P_\beta \alpha_1 \alpha_2 f y))) \\ &\rightarrow \lambda x : \alpha_2 \rightarrow \alpha. p \alpha (\lambda y : \alpha_1. x (P_\beta \alpha_1 \alpha_2 f y)) \\ &\quad \text{(by definition of } N_\alpha) \\ &\rightarrow \lambda x : \alpha_2 \rightarrow \alpha. p \alpha (\lambda y : \alpha_1. x (f y)) \\ &\quad \text{(by definition of } P_\beta) \end{aligned}$$

Hence $P_{\forall\alpha.(\beta \rightarrow \alpha) \rightarrow \alpha}$ beta-reduces to

$$\Lambda\alpha_1, \alpha_2. \lambda f : \alpha_1 \rightarrow \alpha_2. \lambda p : \forall\alpha. (\alpha_1 \rightarrow \alpha) \rightarrow \alpha. \Lambda\alpha. \lambda x : \alpha_2 \rightarrow \alpha. p \alpha (\lambda y : \alpha_1. x (f y))$$

which is a normal form, as required.