

## MODEL THEORY QUAL PROBLEMS

January 2004

**M1.** Prove that the following are equivalent for a cardinal  $\kappa$ :

- a.  $\kappa \geq 2^{\aleph_0}$ .
- b. Whenever  $\mathcal{F}$  is a family of elementarily equivalent countable structures for a countable language, there is a model  $\mathfrak{B}$  with  $|\mathfrak{B}| = \kappa$  such that each  $\mathfrak{A} \in \mathcal{F}$  is elementarily embeddable into  $\mathfrak{B}$ .

**M2.** Let  $\mathcal{L} = \{+, -, \cdot, 0, 1\}$ . Let  $\Sigma$  in  $\mathcal{L}$  be the theory of algebraically closed fields of characteristic 0. Let  $\mathcal{L}' = \mathcal{L} \cup \{U\}$  where  $U$  is 1-place. Let  $\Sigma'$  in  $\mathcal{L}'$  be the theory of pairs of models of  $\Sigma$ , so a model of  $\Sigma'$  is an algebraically closed field of characteristic 0 in which  $U$  is an algebraically closed proper subfield. Prove that  $\Sigma'$  is complete and model-complete.

**M3.** Assume that  $\mathcal{L}$  contains only predicate symbols. Say that a structure  $\mathfrak{A}$  is *partitionable* iff it is the disjoint union of two substructures each of which is isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Prove or disprove: If  $\mathfrak{A}$  is partitionable and  $\mathfrak{A} \equiv \mathfrak{B}$ , then  $\mathfrak{B}$  is partitionable.

Here,  $\mathfrak{A}$  is the *disjoint union* of  $\mathfrak{A}_1, \mathfrak{A}_2$  iff  $\mathfrak{A}_1, \mathfrak{A}_2$  are submodels of  $\mathfrak{A}$  and  $A$  is the disjoint union of  $A_1, A_2$ .

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**M1.** Let  $(F; +, \cdot, <)$  be an ordered field. Prove that  $\cdot$  is not first-order definable in  $(F; +, <)$ . Here, “first-order definable” allows the use of a fixed finite list of elements of  $F$  as parameters.

*Hint.* Prove that the theory of ordered abelian divisible groups is model complete.

**M2.** Let  $T$  be a complete  $\mathcal{L}$ -theory with infinite models. Assume that  $\mathcal{L}$  contains the symbol  $<$  and that  $T$  contains the axioms that  $<$  is a total order. Assume that  $|\mathcal{L}| = \aleph_1$ . Prove that  $T$  is not  $\aleph_2$ -categorical.

**M3.** Let  $\mathcal{M} = (M; <, \dots)$  be an expansion of a dense linear order without endpoints, and assume that any  $\mathcal{N}$  elementarily equivalent to  $\mathcal{M}$  is o-minimal. Prove that every definable (with parameters) subset of  $M^2$  is a finite union of definable cells.

*Hint.* To simplify things, you may use the weak version of the Monotonicity Theorem: if  $f : (a, b) \rightarrow M$  is definable, where  $a, b \in M \cup \{-\infty, +\infty\}$ , then there are  $a_0 = a < a_1 < \dots < a_k < a_{k+1} = b$  such that for every  $i \in \{0, \dots, k\}$ , the restriction of  $f$  to the interval  $(a_i, a_{i+1})$  is continuous.

*Terminology.* A cell in  $M$  is either a point or an open interval with endpoints in  $M \cup \{-\infty, +\infty\}$ . A set  $C \subseteq M^2$  is a cell if its projection  $I$  on the first coordinate is a cell and there are definable, continuous  $f, g : I \rightarrow M$  such that either:

- a.  $C = \{(x, y) : x \in I, y = f(x)\}$ , or
- b.  $C = \{(x, y) : x \in I, y > f(x)\}$ , or
- c.  $C = \{(x, y) : x \in I, y < f(x)\}$ , or
- d.  $C = \{(x, y) : x \in I, g(x) < y < f(x)\}$  and  $g(x) < f(x)$  for all  $x \in I$ .

A model  $M$  is o-minimal iff every definable with parameters subset of  $M$  is a finite union of cells.

## January 2003

**Mystery Problem 1.** Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a first-order language. We say that an  $\mathcal{L}$ -theory  $T$  has definable Skolem functions if for any  $\mathcal{L}$ -formula  $\phi(y, x)$ , where  $y$  is a finite tuple of variables and  $x$  is a single variable, there is an  $\mathcal{L}$ -formula  $\psi(y, x)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} T &\models \forall y \exists x \psi(y, x), \\ T &\models \forall y \forall x \forall z ((\psi(y, x) \wedge \psi(y, z)) \rightarrow x = z), \\ T &\models \forall y (\exists x \phi(y, x) \rightarrow \exists x (\psi(y, x) \wedge \phi(y, x))). \end{aligned}$$

Show (without using cell decomposition) that if  $T$  is an o-minimal theory extending the theory of divisible, ordered, abelian groups, then  $T$  has definable Skolem functions.

**M1.** Let  $\mathcal{M} = (M, <, +, 0, \dots)$  be an o-minimal expansion of a divisible, ordered, abelian group. Show from scratch that  $\mathcal{M}$  has definable Skolem functions; that is, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and every definable set  $A \subseteq M^{n+1}$ , there is a definable function  $f : \Pi_n(A) \rightarrow M$  such that  $(x, f(x)) \in A$

for all  $x \in \Pi_n(A)$ , where  $\Pi_n : M^{n+1} \rightarrow M^n$  denotes the projection on the first  $n$  coordinates.

**Hint:** if  $a, b \in M$  are such that  $a < b$ , then one can canonically pick an element from the interval  $(a, b)$  by choosing  $\frac{1}{2}(a + b)$ .

**M2.** Let  $\overline{\mathbb{C}} := (\mathbb{C}, +, -, 0, 1)$  be the field of complex numbers, and let  $\mathbb{A} \subset \mathbb{C}$  be the set of all algebraic numbers. Given a formula without parameters  $\phi(x)$ , where  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  denotes the tuple of all free variables in  $\phi$ , we define

$$\dim \phi(\mathbb{C}^n) := \max\{\dim(a) : a \in \phi(M^n), \mathcal{M} \succeq \overline{\mathbb{C}}\},$$

where  $\dim(a)$  is the pregeometry dimension of the tuple  $a$  obtained from the algebraic closure operation. We call a point  $a \in \phi(\mathbb{C})$  generic if  $\dim(a) = \dim \phi(\mathbb{C})$ . Prove that if  $n > 1$ ,  $p(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$  and  $\phi(x)$  is the formula  $p(x) = 0$ , then  $\phi(\mathbb{A}^n)$  contains no generic point, but  $\phi(\mathbb{C}^n)$  does.

**Mystery Problem 2.** Prove that the theory of the group  $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^\omega$  is categorical in every uncountable cardinal.

**Hint:** Show first that the theory of  $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^\omega$  in the language  $\mathcal{L} = (+, 0)$  admits quantifier elimination.

**M3.**  $\mathbb{Z}_6 = \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$  denotes the group of integers modulo 6. Prove that the theory of the group  $(\mathbb{Z}_6)^\omega$  is decidable.

### August 2002

**M1.** Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a first-order language,  $\phi(x, y)$  an  $\mathcal{L}$ -formula and  $\mathfrak{M}$  an  $\omega_1$ -saturated  $\mathcal{L}$ -structure. Assume that there is a sequence  $(a_i : i \in \mathbb{N})$  of elements of  $\mathfrak{M}$  such that

$$\mathfrak{M} \models \phi(a_i, a_j) \iff i < j \quad \text{for all } i, j \in \mathbb{N}.$$

(a) Prove that there is a set  $(b_i : i \in \mathbb{Q})$  of elements of  $\mathfrak{M}$  such that

$$\mathfrak{M} \models \phi(b_i, b_j) \iff i < j \quad \text{for all } i, j \in \mathbb{Q}.$$

(b) Conclude that  $\mathfrak{M}$  is not  $\omega$ -stable, that is, there is a countable  $B \subseteq M$  with uncountably many 1-types over  $B$ .

For the next problem, we need the following **definitions**: let  $\mathcal{F}$  be the collection of all functions  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . We define an equivalence relation  $\sim$  on  $\mathcal{F}$  by

$$f \sim g \iff \text{there is } a \in \mathbb{R} \text{ such that } f(x) = g(x) \text{ for all } x > a.$$

Given  $f \in \mathcal{F}$ , we denote by  $[f]$  the equivalence class of  $f$  under  $\sim$  (called the **germ** of  $f$  at  $= \infty$ ), and we put  $\mathcal{HH} = \mathcal{F} / \sim$ . We also let  $<$  be a partial ordering on  $\mathcal{HH}$  defined by

$$[f] < [g] \iff \text{there is } a \in \mathbb{R} \text{ such that } f(x) < g(x) \text{ for all } x > a.$$

**M2.** Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be an expansion of the real field  $(\mathbb{R}, <, +, -, \cdot, 0, 1)$ , and put  $\mathcal{HH}(\mathcal{R}) = \{[f] : f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is definable in } \mathcal{R}\} \subseteq \mathcal{HH}$ . Prove that  $\mathcal{R}$  is o-minimal iff  $\mathcal{HH}(\mathcal{R})$  is totally ordered by  $<$ . (Hint: use the Monotonicity Theorem for  $\implies$  and characteristic functions for  $\impliedby$ .)

**M3.** Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a first-order language and  $\mathcal{M}$  an infinite, strongly minimal  $\mathcal{L}$ -structure. Below we let  $\Pi_{n-1} : M^n \rightarrow M^{n-1}$  be the projection on the first  $n - 1$  coordinates, and for a set  $S \subseteq M^n$  and  $x' \in M^{n-1}$ , we put  $S_{x'} = \{x_n \in M : (x', x_n) \in S\}$ .

We define by induction on  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  what it means for a definable set  $B \subseteq M^n$  to be  $\sigma$ -finite, where  $\sigma \in \{0, 1\}^{\{1, \dots, n\}}$ :

- if  $n = 1$ , then  $B$  is 0-finite iff  $B$  is finite and 1-finite iff  $B$  is cofinite;
- if  $n > 1$  and  $\sigma \in \{0, 1\}^{\{1, \dots, n\}}$ , then  $B$  is  $\sigma$ -finite iff the set  $\Pi_{n-1}(B)$  is  $\sigma'$ -finite, where  $\sigma' \in \{0, 1\}^{\{1, \dots, n-1\}}$  is given by  $\sigma'(i) = \sigma(i)$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n - 1$ , and  $B_{x'}$  is
  - finite for all  $x' \in \Pi_{n-1}(B)$  if  $\sigma(n) = 0$ ,
  - cofinite for all  $x' \in \Pi_{n-1}(B)$  if  $\sigma(n) = 1$ .

- (a) Let  $B = \phi(M^n)$ , where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is an  $\mathcal{L}$ -formula. Assume that  $\sigma \in \{0, 1\}^{\{1, \dots, n\}}$  and  $B$  is  $\sigma$ -finite, and put  $\text{gdim}(B) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma(i)$ . Prove that

$$\text{gdim}(B) = \max\{\dim(a) : a \in \phi((M^*)^n), \mathcal{M} \preceq \mathcal{M}^*\},$$

where  $\dim(a)$  is the dimension of the tuple  $a$  in the sense of the pregeometry defined on  $\mathcal{M}$  by the (model-theoretic) algebraic closure operation.

- (b) Let  $A = \phi(M^n)$ , where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is an  $\mathcal{L}$ -formula, and put  $\text{gdim}(A) = \max\{\text{gdim}(B) : B \subseteq A \text{ and } B \text{ is } \sigma\text{-finite for some } \sigma\}$ . Prove that

$$\text{gdim}(A) = \max\{\dim(a) : a \in \phi((M^*)^n), \mathcal{M} \preceq \mathcal{M}^*\}.$$

## January 2002

**M1.** Let  $F$  be a field of characteristic zero, and let  $L$  be the first-order language with a constant symbol  $0$ , a one-place function symbol  $f_\lambda$  for each  $\lambda \in F$  and a two-place function symbol  $+$ . Let also  $V$  be a nontrivial vector space over  $F$ , and consider

$$V = (V, +, 0, f_\lambda)_{\lambda \in F}$$

as an  $L$ -structure where  $+$  is vector addition,  $0$  is the zero vector, and each  $f_\lambda : V \rightarrow V$  is scalar multiplication by  $\lambda$ .

- (1) Show that the theory of  $V$  admits quantifier elimination. (You may use any standard facts from Linear Algebra.)
- (2) Let  $S \subseteq V$ . Show that the algebraic closure in the model theoretic sense of  $S$  in  $V$  is equal to the linear subspace of  $V$  generated by  $S$ .

The algebraic closure in the model theoretic sense of  $S$  in  $V$  is defined to be the smallest subset  $A$  of  $V$  such that  $S \subseteq A$  and for every first order formula  $\varphi(x)$  with parameters from  $A$  if there are only finitely many  $v \in V$  such that  $\varphi(v)$  holds in  $V$ , then all of these  $v$  are in  $A$ .

**M2.** Let  $L$  be a first-order language and  $T$  an  $L$ -theory, and assume that  $T$  is model-complete and universally axiomatizable. Let  $p$  be a complete 1-type (over the empty set) consistent with  $T$ , and let  $\phi(x)$  be an  $L$ -formula without parameters with at most one free variable  $x$ . The formula  $\phi(x)$  isolates  $p$  with respect to  $T$  if and only if  $\phi(x)$  is in  $p$  and

$$T \vdash \phi(x) \rightarrow \psi(x)$$

for every formula  $\psi(x)$  in  $p$ . For any  $L$ -structure  $A$  and any  $a \in A$  we denote by  $\langle a \rangle$  the substructure of  $A$  generated by  $a$ .

Show that  $\phi(x)$  isolates  $p$  with respect to  $T$  if and only if for any  $M \models T$ ,  $N \models T$ ,  $a \in M$  and  $b \in N$  such that  $M \models \phi[a]$  and  $N \models \phi[b]$ , there is an  $L$ -isomorphism  $f : \langle a \rangle \rightarrow \langle b \rangle$  such that  $f(a) = b$ .

**M3.** Let  $L$  be the language with one binary relation symbol  $<$  and one unary operation symbol  $f$ . Let  $T$  be the  $L$ -theory stating that  $<$  is a dense linear ordering without endpoints and  $f$  is an order preserving bijection such that  $f(x) > x$  for all  $x$ .

- (1) Prove that  $T$  admits quantifier elimination.
- (2) Prove that every model of  $T$  is o-minimal.

- (3) Give, with justification, two functions  $f, g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that the structures  $(\mathbb{R}, <, f)$  and  $(\mathbb{R}, <, g)$  are models of  $T$ , but the structure

$$(\mathbb{R}, <, f, g)$$

is not o-minimal.

A structure is o-minimal iff any subset of it which is definable with parameters is a finite union of sets each of which is a point, or an open interval with end points in the structure, or a ray with end point in the structure.

### September 1, 2000

**M1.** Suppose that  $\mathcal{L}$  is a language which contains among its symbols a unary relation symbol  $\underline{\omega}$  and constants  $\ulcorner 0 \urcorner, \ulcorner 1 \urcorner, \ulcorner 2 \urcorner, \dots, \ulcorner n \urcorner, \dots$  ( $n \in \omega$ ). An  $\omega$ -model for  $\mathcal{L}$  is a model in which  $\underline{\omega}$  is interpreted by  $\omega$  and each  $\ulcorner n \urcorner$  by  $n$ .

Find  $\aleph_2$  first-order sentences in some language  $\mathcal{L}$  such that every  $\aleph_1$  of them has an  $\omega$ -model, but the whole collection doesn't.

Hint: Consider linear orders with countable initial segments.

**M2.** Let  $\mathcal{B} = (B; \wedge, \vee, ', U)$ , where  $(B; \wedge, \vee, ')$  is an atomless boolean algebra and  $U$  is an ultrafilter on  $\mathcal{B}$  (viewed as a unary predicate). Prove that the theory of  $\mathcal{B}$  is decidable.

**M3.** Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a first-order language and  $T$  an  $\mathcal{L}$ -theory. Assume that  $T$  is model complete and universally axiomatizable. Fix a model  $\mathbb{A} = (A; \dots)$  of  $T$  and a function  $f : A \rightarrow A$  which is definable in  $\mathbb{A}$  without using parameters. Show that  $f$  is piecewise given by  $\mathcal{L}$ -terms; that is, there are finitely many  $\mathcal{L}$ -terms  $t_1(x), \dots, t_k(x)$  each with at most one free variable  $x$  such that

$$f(a) \in \{t_1(a), t_2(a), \dots, t_k(a)\} \text{ for every } a \in A.$$

### August 1997

**M1.** Let  $U$  be a distinguished unary predicate in the language  $L$ . An  $L$ -structure has type  $(\kappa, \lambda)$  iff the universe has cardinality  $\kappa$  and the interpretation of  $U$  in the structure has cardinality  $\lambda$ . Let  $\kappa_0 = \omega$  and for every  $n < \omega$  let  $\kappa_{n+1} = 2^{\kappa_n}$ . Let  $\kappa = \sup_{n < \omega} \kappa_n$ . Let  $\mathfrak{c}$  be the cardinality of the continuum. Assume that at least one of  $|L|$  and  $\kappa^\omega$  is no more than  $\kappa^+$ . Prove that every  $L$ -structure of type  $(\kappa, \mathfrak{c})$  has an elementary extension of type  $(\kappa^+, \mathfrak{c})$ .

**M2.** Let  $T$  be defined as follows:

(a)  $T$  has unary predicates  $P$  and  $Q$  and a three place predicate  $E$ , written as  $yE_xz$ ,

(b) the universe of any model of  $T$  is the disjoint union of  $P$  and  $Q$ , each infinite,

(c) if  $yE_xz$ , then  $P(x)$ ,  $Q(y)$  and  $Q(z)$ ,

(d) for any fixed  $x$  in  $P$ ,  $E_x$  is an equivalence relation on  $Q$  with infinitely many equivalence classes, and

(e) if  $n < \omega$  and  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in P$  with no repetition, and  $y_1, \dots, y_n \in Q$ , then for some  $y \in Q$  we have that for all  $1 \leq l \leq n$  the relation  $yE_{x_l}y_l$  holds.

(f) If  $n, m < \omega$  and  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in P$ , while  $A_1, \dots, A_m$  are disjoint finite subsets of  $Q$ , there is  $x \in P$  distinct from  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  such that  $A_1, \dots, A_m$  are subsets of different  $E_x$  equivalence classes.

Note: we obtain a logically equivalent theory if we demand that  $y$  in (e) is different than each  $y_1, \dots, y_n$ .

Show that  $T$  has elimination of quantifiers.

**M3.** Prove that a countable complete theory which has uncountably many types has continuum many pairwise nonisomorphic countable  $\omega$ -homogeneous models.

**January 16, 1997**

**M1.** Without assuming the Continuum Hypothesis, do the following:

1. Describe two structures,  $\mathfrak{A}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$ , for a finite language, such that:  $\mathfrak{A}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$  are elementarily equivalent,  $|A| = |B| = \aleph_2$ , and such that there are no ultrafilters  $\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V}$  on  $\omega$  with  $\mathfrak{A}^\omega/\mathcal{U}$  isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{B}^\omega/\mathcal{V}$ .

2. Describe two structures,  $\mathfrak{A}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$ , for a finite language, such that:  $\mathfrak{A}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$  are not isomorphic,  $|A| = |B| = \aleph_2$ , and such that  $\mathfrak{A}^\omega/\mathcal{U}$  is isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{B}^\omega/\mathcal{V}$  whenever  $\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V}$  are any non-principal ultrafilters on  $\omega$ .

**M2.** Let  $\mathfrak{M}$  be an infinite saturated  $\mathcal{L}$ -structure. Assume  $X \subseteq M$  is definable with parameters  $\vec{a} \in M^{<\omega}$ ; that is, for some  $\mathcal{L}$ -formula  $\theta(x, \vec{y})$ :

$$X = \{m \in M : \mathfrak{M} \models \theta(m, \vec{a})\} .$$

Assume also that every automorphism  $f$  of  $\mathfrak{M}$  satisfies  $f(X) = X$ . Prove that  $X$  is definable without parameters; that is, for some  $\mathcal{L}$ -formula  $\psi(x)$ :

$$X = \{m \in M : \mathfrak{M} \models \psi(m)\} .$$

**M3.** Let  $\mathcal{L}$  contain the symbol  $<$ , and let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be an  $\mathcal{L}$ -structure in which  $<_{\mathfrak{A}}$  is a total order with no largest element. Prove that  $\mathfrak{A}$  has an elementary extension,  $\mathfrak{B}$  such that:

1.  $\mathfrak{B}$  has a non-trivial automorphism.
2.  $<_{\mathfrak{B}}$  has uncountable cofinality (that is, every countable subset of  $B$  is bounded).

### August 1996

**M1.** Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be a structure for  $\mathcal{L}$ , and let  $U$  be a unary predicate symbol. Assume  $|U_{\mathfrak{A}}| = \mathfrak{c}$  (where  $\mathfrak{c} = 2^{\aleph_0}$ ). Prove that  $\mathfrak{A}$  has an elementary extension,  $\mathfrak{B}$ , such that  $|U_{\mathfrak{B}}| = \mathfrak{c}^+$ . Note that we are assuming nothing about  $|\mathfrak{A}|$  or the size of  $\mathcal{L}$ .

**M2.** Let  $\mathcal{L} = \{<\}$ . Describe a complete theory  $T$  in  $\mathcal{L}$  such that

1. In every model  $\mathfrak{A}$  for  $\mathcal{L}$ ,  $<_A$  totally orders  $A$
2. There are  $2^{\aleph_0}$  different 1-types consistent with  $T$ .

**M3.** Let  $T$  be a complete theory with infinite models. Assume that  $T$  has some model with an automorphism  $\sigma$  of order 2 (that is,  $\sigma^2$  is the identity but  $\sigma$  isn't). Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be any model of  $T$ . Prove that  $\mathfrak{A}$  has an elementary extension  $\mathfrak{B}$  such that  $\mathfrak{B}$  has an automorphism of order 2.

### August 1995

**M1.** Let  $L$  and  $L'$  be first order languages such that  $L' \subseteq L$ . Let  $T$  be a theory in  $L$ . Suppose that for any two models  $M, N$  for  $L$  whose  $L'$ -reducts  $M'$  and  $N'$  are isomorphic,  $M$  is a model of  $T$  if and only if  $N$  is a model of  $T$ . Prove that  $T$  is equivalent to a theory in  $L'$ .

**M2.** Let  $T$  be a model complete theory in a countable language. Suppose  $R$  is a binary relation in the language of  $T$ , and let  $K$  be the class of all models  $M$  of  $T$  such that  $M$  is well ordered by  $R^M$ . We say that  $N$  is an *end extension* of  $M$  if  $N$  is a proper extension of  $M$  and  $N \models R(a, b)$  for all  $a \in M$  and  $b \in N - M$ .

Suppose that  $K$  is nonempty and each  $M \in K$  has an end extension  $N \in K$ . Prove that for each uncountable cardinal  $\kappa$  there exists  $M \in K$  such that  $R^M$  has order type  $\kappa$ .

**M3.** Let  $J$  be an uncountable set, let  $A$  be the set of all finite subsets of  $J$ , and let  $M = \langle A, R \rangle$  where  $R$  is the subset relation on  $A$ . Let  $N = \langle B, S \rangle$  be a countably indexed ultrapower of  $M$  such that the natural embedding  $d : M \prec N$  is proper. Prove that:

a) For each  $b \in B$  the set  $E_b = \{a \in A : S(d(a), b)\}$  is at most countable.

b) For each countable subset  $C \subset B$ , there exists  $b \in B$  such that  $S(c, b)$  for all  $c \in C$ .

### August 1993

**M1.** Prove that there is an uncountable model for PA which is  $\omega$ -homogeneous but not  $\omega_1$ -homogeneous.

**M2.** Given two models

$$A = (U, R_1, R_2, \dots), \quad B = (V, S_1, S_2, \dots)$$

of models for the same language such that  $U$  and  $V$  are disjoint, define the union to be

$$A \cup B = (U \cup V, R_1 \cup S_1, R_2 \cup S_2, \dots).$$

Suppose that  $A_1 \equiv A_2$ ,  $B_1 \equiv B_2$ ,  $A_1, B_1$  have disjoint universes, and  $A_2, B_2$  have disjoint universes. Prove that  $A_1 \cup B_1 \equiv A_2 \cup B_2$ .

### August 1992

**M1.** Prove that the theory of torsion free abelian groups is complete.

Note: An abelian group  $G$  is divisible if for each integer  $n > 0$ ,

$$G \models (\forall x)(\exists y)ny = x.$$

$G$  is torsion free if for each  $n > 0$ ,

$$G \models (\forall x)[nx = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0].$$

**M2.** If  $\mathcal{U}$  is an ultrafilter, and  $\mathfrak{A}$  is a structure, let  $\Pi_{\mathcal{U}}\mathfrak{A}$  be the ultrapower of  $\mathfrak{A}$  modulo  $\mathcal{U}$ . Let  $\mathbb{N}$  be the standard model of arithmetic. Prove that there exist ultrafilters  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $\mathcal{V}$  (possibly on different index sets) such that the models  $\Pi_{\mathcal{U}}(\Pi_{\mathcal{V}}\mathbb{N})$  and  $\Pi_{\mathcal{V}}(\Pi_{\mathcal{U}}\mathbb{N})$  are not isomorphic.

**M3.** Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be an uncountable model of Peano arithmetic and let  $a \in A$ . Prove that  $\mathfrak{A}$  has an elementary extension  $\mathfrak{B}$  with a countable sequence of elements  $b_n, n \in \omega$ , such that

$$\mathfrak{B} \models a + n < b_n$$

for all  $n \in \omega$ , and there is no element  $c \in B$  such that

$$\mathfrak{B} \models a + n < c < b_n$$

for all  $n \in \omega$ .

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**M1.** Find  $T_i, \Gamma_i, L_i$   $i < 2$  such that:

- (1)  $T_i$  is complete theory in  $L_i$ ,  $i < 2$ ;
- (2)  $\Gamma_i$  complete non-principal type of  $T_i$ ,  $i < 2$ ;
- (3)  $T_0 \cup T_1$  is a consistent theory in  $L_0 \cup L_1$ ; and
- (4) there exists a  $L_0 \cup L_1$  formula  $\theta(\bar{x})$  which is consistent with  $T_0 \cup T_1$  and for every formula  $\psi(\bar{x}) \in (\Gamma_1(\bar{x}) \cup \Gamma_2(\bar{x}))$

$$(T_0 \cup T_1) \vdash \theta(\bar{x}) \implies \psi(\bar{x})$$

**M2.** Assume  $T$  is a complete consistent theory such that no complete consistent expansion of  $T$  by finitely many constants has a complete principal type. Prove that every model of  $T$  has a proper elementary substructure.

**M3.**  $L(T) = \{<\} \cup \{c_i \mid i < \omega\}$ .  $T$  is a complete consistent theory which says that  $<$  is a dense linear order without endpoints and the  $c_i$ 's are distinct constants. What are the possible cardinalities of the class of countable isomorphism types of models of  $T$ ?

**M4.** Let  $T$  be the theory with countably many unary relation symbols  $\{P_n : n \in \omega\}$  and all axioms of the form:

$$\exists x \left( \bigwedge_{n \in A} P_n \wedge \bigwedge_{n \in B} \neg P_n \right)$$

where  $A$  and  $B$  are disjoint finite subsets of  $\omega$ . Show that  $T$  is a complete theory.

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- (1) Let  $T$  be the theory with binary relation  $<$  and unary operation  $f$  and axioms stating that:
  - (a)  $<$  is a strict linear ordering;
  - (b)  $<$  is dense and has no greatest or least element;
  - (c)  $f$  is an automorphism of the ordering  $<$ ; and
  - (d)  $\forall x \ x < f(x)$ .
 Show that  $T$  is complete.
  
- (2) Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be a model for a countable language with  $E$  and other relations such that  $E$  is an equivalence relation with each class countably infinite.
  - (a) Prove that  $\mathfrak{A}$  has a countable elementary substructure  $\mathfrak{B}$  such that any element of  $\mathfrak{A}$  which is  $E$ -equivalent to an element of  $\mathfrak{B}$  is an element of  $\mathfrak{B}$ .
  - (b) Prove that  $\mathfrak{A}$  has an elementary extension in which each  $E$ -equivalence class has cardinality the continuum. (Warning:  $\mathfrak{A}$  may be larger than the continuum.)
  
- (3) Suppose that  $T$  is a countable theory with an infinite model, but no countable saturated model. Show that  $T$  has uncountably many pairwise nonisomorphic models in every infinite power.