

## LOGIC QUALIFYING EXAM, AUGUST 1992

Instructions: Answer any two Elementary problems *plus* any two problems from the area (Set Theory or Model Theory) for which you are signed up.

### ELEMENTARY PROBLEMS

**E1.** Assume GCH. For an infinite cardinal  $\kappa$ , let  $F(\kappa)$  be the set of all non-decreasing functions from  $\kappa$  into  $\omega$ .

(a) Prove that for all infinite  $\kappa$ ,  $\kappa \leq |F(\kappa)| \leq \kappa^+$ .

(b) For which  $\kappa$  is  $|F(\kappa)| = \kappa$  and for which  $\kappa$  is  $|F(\kappa)| = \kappa^+$ ?

Note:  $f : \kappa \rightarrow \omega$  is non-decreasing iff  $(\forall \alpha < \beta < \kappa)(f(\alpha) \leq f(\beta))$ . For example (when  $\kappa$  is uncountable),  $f(\alpha) = 3$  for  $\alpha < \omega$  and  $f(\alpha) = 6$  for  $\omega \leq \alpha < \kappa$ .

Hint:  $f$  can't jump too often.

**E2.** Let  $\phi$  be a sentence in the language  $\{0, +\}$  groups which holds in all divisible torsion free abelian groups. Prove that for all but finitely many primes  $p$ ,  $\phi$  holds in the cyclic group  $Z_p$  of order  $p$ .

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  $n > 0$ ,

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

**E3.** Suppose that there is a model  $\mathcal{M} = (M, E)$  for  $ZF + \neg Con(ZF)$ . Prove that  $\mathcal{M}$  is not an  $\omega$ -model. That is, show that the order type of  $\{n \in M : \mathcal{M} \models n \text{ is a natural number}\}$  under the relation  $E$  is not  $\omega$ .

## SET THEORY

**S1.** For each sentence  $\psi$  in the language  $\{\in, =\}$ , let

$$T(\psi) = \{\alpha : 0 < \alpha < \omega_1 \text{ \& } L(\alpha) \models \psi\}.$$

Answer “true” or “false” for each of the following implications. If “true”, indicate a reason. If “false”, describe a  $\psi$  which is a counterexample. *Note:*  $\omega_1$  means the *real*  $\omega_1$  – not necessarily  $\omega_1^{(L)}$ .

1.  $T(\psi) \neq \emptyset$  implies  $T(\psi)$  is unbounded in  $\omega_1$ .
2.  $T(\psi)$  is unbounded in  $\omega_1$  implies  $T(\psi)$  is stationary in  $\omega_1$ .
3.  $T(\psi)$  is stationary in  $\omega_1$  implies  $T(\psi)$  contains a closed unbounded subset of  $\omega_1$ .
4.  $T(\psi)$  contains a closed unbounded subset of  $\omega_1$  implies  $T(\psi)$  is a closed unbounded subset of  $\omega_1$ .

**S2.** Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be the partially ordered set consisting of the finite partial functions from  $\omega$  into  $\mathcal{Q}$  (the set of rationals). Let  $M$  be a countable transitive model of ZFC, and suppose, in  $M$ ,  $\langle \epsilon_n : n \in \omega \rangle$  is a sequence of positive real numbers. Let  $G$  be  $\mathcal{P}$ -generic over  $M$ , and in  $M[G]$ , let  $f = \bigcup G : \omega \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}$ . Show  $\bigcup_{n \in \omega} (f(n) - \epsilon_n, f(n) + \epsilon_n)$  contains every real number in  $M$ .

**S3.** Let  $M$  be a countable transitive model of ZFC. Suppose, that  $\mathcal{P} \in M$  is a partial order such that  $\mathcal{P}$  is countable in  $M$ . Let  $G$  be  $\mathcal{P}$ -generic over  $M$ . In  $M[G]$ , let  $S$  be an unbounded subset of  $\omega_1^{(M)} = \omega_1^{(M[G])}$ . Prove that there is a  $T \subseteq S$  such that  $T$  is in  $M$  and  $T$  is unbounded in  $\omega_1^{(M)}$ .

## MODEL THEORY

**M1.** Prove that the theory of torsion free abelian groups is complete. (See Note following problem **E2**).

**M2.** If  $\mathcal{U}$  is an ultrafilter, and  $\mathcal{A}$  is a structure, let  $\Pi_{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{A}$  be the ultrapower of  $\mathcal{A}$  modulo  $\mathcal{U}$ . Let  $\mathcal{N}$  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  $\Pi_{\mathcal{U}}(\Pi_{\mathcal{V}}\mathcal{N})$  and  $\Pi_{\mathcal{V}}(\Pi_{\mathcal{U}}\mathcal{N})$  are not isomorphic.

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

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

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

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

for all  $n \in \omega$ .