

# 1st Exercise sheet Model Theory

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**Exercise 1** A theory  $T$  is *consistent* if it has a model and *complete* if it is consistent and for any formula  $\varphi$  we have

$$T \models \varphi \quad \text{or} \quad T \models \neg\varphi.$$

Show that the following are equivalent for a consistent theory  $T$ :

- (1)  $T$  is complete.
- (2) All models of  $T$  are elementarily equivalent.
- (3) There is a structure  $M$  such that  $T$  and  $\text{Th}(M)$  have the same models.

**Exercise 2** Let  $M_1, M_2$  be  $L$ -structures. Define an  $L$ -structure  $M_1 \times M_2$  whose underlying set is the cartesian product of the underlying sets of  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  and such that the projections  $\pi_i: M_1 \times M_2 \rightarrow M_i$  for  $i = 1, 2$  are homomorphisms satisfying the following universal property: given an  $L$ -structure  $N$  and homomorphisms  $\varphi_i: N \rightarrow M_i$  for  $i = 1, 2$ , there is a unique homomorphism  $\psi: N \rightarrow M_1 \times M_2$  such that  $\pi_i \circ \psi = \varphi_i$  for  $i = 1, 2$ .

**Exercise 3** An *isomorphism* is a bijective homomorphism  $h: M \rightarrow N$  of  $L$ -structures whose inverse  $h^{-1}$  is a homomorphism as well.

Show that if  $h: M \rightarrow N$  is an isomorphism and  $\varphi(x_1, \dots, x_k)$  is any  $L$ -formula, then

$$M \models \varphi(m_1, \dots, m_k) \Leftrightarrow N \models \varphi(h(m_1), \dots, h(m_k))$$

for any  $m_1, \dots, m_k \in M$ .

**Exercise 4** An element  $a$  in an  $L$ -structure  $M$  is *definable* if there is an  $L$ -formula  $\varphi(x)$  such that for any  $m \in M$

$$M \models \varphi(m) \Leftrightarrow a = m.$$

- (a) What are the definable elements in  $(\mathbb{N}, +)$ ? And in  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ ?

- (b) (Challenging!) Define an equivalence relation on the integers by putting  $a \sim b$  if for any formula  $\varphi(x)$  with one free variable  $x$  in the language of  $(\mathbb{Z}, \cdot)$ , we have

$$(\mathbb{Z}, \cdot) \models \varphi(a) \Leftrightarrow (\mathbb{Z}, \cdot) \models \varphi(b).$$

Describe an algorithm for determining whether two integers are equivalent in this sense.