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**MATHEMATICAL TRIPOS**      **Part III**

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Tuesday, 6 June, 2023    1:30 pm to 3:30 pm

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**PAPER 144**

**MODEL THEORY**

**Before you begin please read these instructions carefully**

Candidates have **TWO HOURS** to complete the written examination.

Attempt **ALL** questions.

There are **FOUR** questions in total.

The questions carry equal weight.

**STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS**

Cover sheet

Treasury tag

Script paper

Rough paper

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS**

None

**You may not start to read the questions  
printed on the subsequent pages until  
instructed to do so by the Invigilator.**

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(a) Let  $M$  be an  $L$ -structure. Let  $p(\bar{x})$  be a type in  $L(M)$  that is finitely satisfiable in  $M$ . Show that  $p(\bar{x})$  is realised in some  $N$  such that  $M \preceq N$ .

(b) Let  $T$  be a complete theory with no finite models and a monster model  $\mathcal{U}$ . For  $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathcal{U}$  and  $f \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{U})$ , define  $f[\mathcal{D}] = \{f(d) : d \in \mathcal{D}\}$  and  $\text{O}(\mathcal{D}) = \{f[\mathcal{D}] : f \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{U})\}$ .

Suppose  $\mathcal{D} = \phi(\mathcal{U}, \bar{b})$  for some  $\bar{b} \in \mathcal{U}^{|\bar{b}|}$ . Show that if  $\text{O}(\mathcal{D})$  is infinite, then  $|\text{O}(\mathcal{D})| = |\mathcal{U}|$ .

2 Let  $T_{\text{rg}}$  be the theory of the random graph in the language  $L_{\text{gph}} = \{R\}$ , where  $R$  is a binary relation symbol. Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be the monster model of  $T_{\text{rg}}$ .

(a) Show that every partial embedding  $p : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$  is elementary.

(b) Hence, or otherwise, show that  $T_{\text{rg}}$  has quantifier elimination. [You may assume that a formula  $\phi(\bar{x})$  is preserved by all partial embeddings if and only if it is equivalent to a quantifier-free formula.]

(c) Let  $A \subseteq \mathcal{U}$  be a small subset of  $\mathcal{U}$ . Define  $\text{acl}(A)$  and  $\text{dcl}(A)$ .

(d) Show that, for  $A$  as in part (c),  $\text{acl}(A) = \text{dcl}(A)$ .

3 Let  $T$  be a complete theory with no finite models.

(a) Define what it means for a model  $N$  of  $T$  to be saturated, universal and homogeneous.

(b) Show that if  $N$  is universal and homogeneous then  $N$  is saturated. [You may assume any characterization of saturation, provided you state it clearly and correctly].

(c) Let  $N$  be an uncountable saturated model of  $T$  (for example a monster model), and let the formula  $\phi(x, y)$  define an equivalence relation  $E$  on  $N$ . Suppose that every model  $M \preceq N$  such that  $|M| < |N|$  intersects every equivalence class of  $E$ . Show that  $E$  has finitely many equivalence classes.

4 Let  $T$  be a strongly minimal theory with monster model  $\mathcal{U}$ .

(a) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be independent subsets of  $\mathcal{U}$ . Show that every bijection  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is an elementary map.

(b) Assume that the language of  $T$  is countable. Show that every model (that is, every  $M \preceq \mathcal{U}$  such that  $|M| < |\mathcal{U}|$ ) is homogeneous. [You may assume standard properties of algebraic closure].

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