

**Exercise 1.** Let  $p(x) \subseteq L(A)$  and let  $\varphi(x; y) \in L(A)$  be a formula that defines, when restricted to  $p(\mathcal{U})$ , an equivalence relation with finitely many classes (a *finite equivalence relation*). Prove that there is a finite equivalence relation definable over  $A$  that coincides with  $\varphi(x; y)$  on  $p(\mathcal{U})$ .

**Exercise 2.** Let  $T$  be a consistent theory. Suppose that all completions of  $T$  are of the form  $T \cup S$  for some set  $S$  of quantifier-free sentences (for example,  $T = T_{\text{acf}}$ ). Prove that, if all completion of  $T$  have elimination of quantifiers, so does  $T$ .

Hint: prove that for every formula  $\varphi(x)$  there are some quantifier-free sentences  $\sigma_i$  and quantifier-free formulas  $\psi_i(x)$  such that

$$\sigma_i \vdash \varphi(x) \leftrightarrow \psi_i(x), \quad T \vdash \bigvee_{i=1}^n \sigma_i, \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma_i \vdash \neg \sigma_j \text{ for } i \neq j.$$

For a counter example consider the empty theory in the language with a single unary predicate.

**Exercise 3.** Show that the claim in the exercise above fails when the theories  $S$  have arbitrary complexity.

Hint: let  $T$  be the empty theory in the language with a single unary predicate.

**Exercise 4.** Let  $\varphi(z) \in L(A)$  be a consistent formula. Prove that, if  $a \in \text{acl}(A, b)$  for every  $b \models \varphi(z)$ , then  $a \in \text{acl}(A)$ . Prove the same claim with a type  $p(z) \subseteq L(A)$  for  $\varphi(z)$ .

**Exercise 5.** Let  $c$  be an enumeration of  $\mathcal{U}$ . Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be the set enumerated by some  $a \equiv c$ . Prove that  $\mathcal{V} \preceq \mathcal{U}$ .

**Exercise 6.** Let  $a \in \mathcal{U} \setminus \text{acl} A$ . Prove that  $\mathcal{U}$  is  $A$ -isomorphic to some  $\mathcal{V} \preceq \mathcal{U}$  such that  $a \notin \mathcal{V}$ .

**Exercise 7.** Let  $C$  be a finite set. Prove that if  $C \cap M \neq \emptyset$  for every model  $M$  containing  $A$ , then  $C \cap \text{acl}(A) \neq \emptyset$ .

Hint: by induction on the cardinality of  $C$ . Suppose there is a  $c \in C \setminus \text{acl}(A)$ , then there is  $\mathcal{V} \preceq \mathcal{U}$  such that  $A \subseteq \mathcal{V} \preceq \mathcal{U}$  and  $c \notin \mathcal{V}$ . Apply the induction hypothesis to  $C' = C \cap \mathcal{V}$  with  $\mathcal{V}$  for  $\mathcal{U}$ .

**Exercise 8.** Prove that for every  $A \subseteq N$  there is an  $M$  such that  $\text{acl} A = M \cap N$ .

Hint: let  $\bar{c}$  be an enumeration of  $N$ . Let  $p(\bar{x}) = \text{tp}(\bar{c}/A)$ . Consider the type

$$p(x) \cup \left\{ \neg [\psi(b, \bar{x}) \wedge \exists^{\leq n} y \psi(y, \bar{x})] : b \in N \setminus \text{acl}(A), \psi(y, x) \in L(A), n < \omega \right\}$$

**Exercise 9.** Let  $\varphi(x) \in L(\mathcal{U})$  and fix an arbitrary set  $A$ . Prove that the following are equivalent

1. there is some model  $M$  containing  $A$  and such that  $M \cap \varphi(\mathcal{U}) = \emptyset$ ;
2. there is no consistent formula  $\psi(z_1, \dots, z_n) \in L(A)$  such that

$$\psi(z_1, \dots, z_n) \rightarrow \bigvee_{i=1}^n \varphi(z_i).$$

**Exercise 10.** Prove that in a strongly minimal theory every infinite algebraically closed set is a model.

**Exercise 11.** Prove that a countable strongly minimal theory is either  $\omega$ -categorical or has infinitely many countable models.