

Homework: heirs and definable types

Introduction to Model Theory

Due March 3, 2022

Please justify your answers.

1. Consider the structure $(\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot, <)$. Show that there is a complete type $p \in S_1(\mathbb{Z})$ containing the formula $n < x$ for each $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. *Hint:* this only uses things from introductory model theory.
2. Let $p \in S_1(\mathbb{Z})$ be as in the previous problem, meaning that the formula $n < x$ is in $p(x)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Suppose $M \succeq \mathbb{Z}$ and $q \in S_1(M)$ is an heir of p . Show that $q(x)$ contains the formula $n < x$ for each $n \in M$.
3. The structure $(\mathbb{C}, +, \cdot)$ is strongly minimal, so it should eliminate \exists^∞ . Find a first-order formula $\varphi(x, y, z)$ equivalent to $\exists^\infty w (xw^2 + yw + z = 0)$ in the structure \mathbb{C} .
4. Let $M = \mathbb{R} \setminus [0, 2]$ and $N = \mathbb{R} \setminus [0, 1)$, where

$$\begin{aligned} [0, 2] &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 0 \leq x \leq 2\} \\ [0, 1) &= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 0 \leq x < 1\}. \end{aligned}$$

From quantifier elimination in DLO, one can show that $(M, \leq) \preceq (N, \leq) \preceq (\mathbb{R}, \leq)$. It turns out that $\text{tp}(0/N)$ is an heir of $\text{tp}(0/M)$. Show that $\text{tp}(0/N)$ is *not* a strong heir of $\text{tp}(0/M)$. *Hint:* you will only need $d\varphi(y)$ for $\varphi(x, y) \equiv (x > y)$.