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The concept of Model-Completeness is defined in a first order language with a generalized quantifier. A necessary and sufficient condition is given for that Model-Completeness and its relation to categoricity is discussed.

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Let L be a first order language with equality and let $L(Q)$ be the language obtained from L by adding a new quantifier Q . Let α, β denote infinite cardinals. We define α -satisfaction for $L(Q)$ by interpreting Q as "there exist at least α elements". If a sentence ϕ of $L(Q)$ is α -satisfied in a model \mathfrak{A} for L we write $\mathfrak{A} \models_\alpha \phi$ and we say that \mathfrak{A} is an α -model for ϕ . Let $\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{B}$ be two models for L , $|\mathfrak{A}| \geq \alpha$ and $\mathfrak{A} \subseteq \mathfrak{B}$. Write $\mathfrak{A} <_\alpha \mathfrak{B}$ if for every n , every formula $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ in $L(Q)$ and every a_1, \dots, a_n in \mathfrak{A} : $\mathfrak{A} \models_\alpha \phi[a_1, \dots, a_n]$ iff $\mathfrak{B} \models_\alpha \phi[a_1, \dots, a_n]$. Let T be an ordinary first order theory (namely a theory in L) that has infinite models. Define $T(Q) = T \cup \{Qx[x = x]\}$. Call T α -model-complete if for every $\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{B}$ which are α -models for $T(Q)$ and $\mathfrak{A} \subseteq \mathfrak{B}$ also $\mathfrak{A} <_\alpha \mathfrak{B}$. A necessary and sufficient condition for T to be α -model-complete for $\alpha > \aleph_0$ is given in section 1.

Let T be as before. Define $T(\alpha) = \{\phi : \phi \text{ is a sentence in } L(Q) \text{ and for every } \mathfrak{A}, \text{ if } \mathfrak{A} \models_\alpha T(Q) \text{ then } \mathfrak{A} \models_\alpha \phi\}$. Call T α -complete if for every sentence ϕ in $L(Q)$ either $\phi \in T(\alpha)$ or $\neg\phi \in T(\alpha)$. In §2, it is shown that if T is categorical in one uncountable power, it is α -complete and for every $\alpha \geq \aleph_0$: $T(\alpha) = T(\aleph_0)$. If T is also model-complete (in the usual sense) then it is α -model-complete for every $\alpha \geq \aleph_0$ and $T(\alpha)$ is decidable provided T is axiomatic.

1. α -Model-Completeness.

DEFINITION 1.1. Let $\phi(x, x_1, \dots, x_m)$ be a formula in L such that x, x_1, \dots, x_m are exactly all its free variables. Let \mathfrak{A} be a model for L and let a_1, \dots, a_m be elements in \mathfrak{A} . Define:

$$\phi(\mathfrak{A}, a_1, \dots, a_m) = \{a : \mathfrak{A} \models \phi[a, a_1, \dots, a_m]\}.$$

Let T be a theory in L and observe the following condition in which T is involved.

Condition 1.1. For every $m \geq 0$ and every $\phi(x, x_1, \dots, x_m)$ in L there exists an integer n_ϕ such that for every α -model \mathfrak{A} of $T(Q)$ and every a_1, \dots, a_m in \mathfrak{A} : if $|\phi(\mathfrak{A}, a_1, \dots, a_m)| > n_\phi$ then $|\phi(\mathfrak{A}, a_1, \dots, a_m)| \geq \alpha$.

LEMMA 1.1. *Let T be a theory in L , $\alpha \geq \aleph_0$. If T fulfills Condition 1.1 then for every formula ψ in $L(Q)$ there exists a formula ϕ in L such that $T(Q) \models_\alpha \psi \leftrightarrow \phi$. (The meaning of the notation " \models_α " is "semantically valid in α ".)*

Proof. Use induction on the structure of ψ . The lemma is true for formulae in L and it is clear that if it is true for ψ, ψ_1 in $L(Q)$ it is also true for $\neg\psi, \psi \wedge \psi_1, \exists v\psi$ (for every individual variable v). We now prove the lemma for $Qv\psi$ assuming it is true for ψ . Suppose ψ is $\psi(x, x_1, \dots, x_m)$ and v is x . Let $\phi(x, x_1, \dots, x_m)$ be a formula in L such that $T(Q) \models_\alpha \psi \leftrightarrow \phi$. Let n be an integer the existence of which is assumed in Condition 1.1. Let $\exists^{\geq n+1} x \phi(x, x_1, \dots, x_m)$ be a formula of L "saying" that there are at least $n+1$ different elements x such that $\phi(x, x_1, \dots, x_m)$ (here we use the assumption that L contains the equality sign). It is easy to see that for every model \mathfrak{A} , if \mathfrak{A} is a model of $T(Q)$ and $a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathfrak{A}$ then

$$\mathfrak{A} \models_\alpha Qx\psi(x, a_1, \dots, a_m) \leftrightarrow \exists^{\geq n+1} x \phi(x, a_1, \dots, a_m).$$

Hence

$$T(Q) \models_\alpha Qx\psi(x, x_1, \dots, x_m) \leftrightarrow \exists^{\geq n+1} x \phi(x, x_1, \dots, x_m).$$

Therefore $\exists^{\geq n+1} x \phi$ is the required formula for $Qx\psi$.

Note that Lemma 1.1 is true also when L is uncountable.

An Example. Let T be the first order theory of a dense linear ordering having neither first nor last element. Using the well known elimination of quantifiers (e.g. Kreisel and Krivine [6]) it is easy to see that T fulfills Condition 1.1 for $\alpha = \aleph_0$ but not for $\alpha > \aleph_0$.

Now again let T be a theory in L but suppose $\alpha > \aleph_0$ and observe the following condition involving T .

Condition 1.2. For every $m \geq 0$, every formula $\phi(x, x_1, \dots, x_m)$ in L , every α -model \mathfrak{A} of $T(Q)$ and every $a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathfrak{A}$ either $|\phi(\mathfrak{A}, a_1, \dots, a_m)| < \aleph_0$ or $|\phi(\mathfrak{A}, a_1, \dots, a_m)| \geq \alpha$.

The following lemma settles the relation between Condition 1.1 and Condition 2.2.

LEMMA 1.2. *Let T be a theory in a language L (possibly uncountable). Then for every $\alpha > |L|$ Condition 1.1 is equivalent to Condition 1.2.*

Proof. It is clear that if Condition 1.1 holds, then also Condition 1.2 holds. Choose any cardinal μ such that $2^\mu > |L|$. By Keisler [4] (Theorem 3.3 (iii), p. 121) if D is a regular ultra filter on μ there exist natural numbers n_ν , $\nu < \mu$, such that $D\text{-Prod } \lambda_\nu n_\nu = 2^\mu$. Suppose that Condition 1.2 holds but Condition 1.1 does not hold. Hence there exists a formula $\phi(x, x_1, \dots, x_m)$ in L such that for every n_ν , $\nu < \mu$, it is possible to find an α -model \mathfrak{A}_ν of $T(Q)$ and elements a_ν, \dots, a_{ν_m} in \mathfrak{A}_ν such that $n_\nu < |\phi(\mathfrak{A}_\nu, a_\nu, \dots, a_{\nu_m})| < \alpha$. Since Condition 1.2 holds we obtain: $n_\nu < |\phi(\mathfrak{A}_\nu, a_\nu, \dots, a_{\nu_m})| < \aleph_0$. By Skolem-Lowenheim Theorem we are allowed to suppose that $|\mathfrak{A}_\nu| = 2^{2^{\aleph_0}}$ (where $2^{K,0} = K$, $2^{K,n+1} = 2^{2^{K,n}}$ and $2^{K,\aleph_0} = \sup\{2^{K,n} : n < \aleph_0\}$ for every infinite cardinal K). Observe now the structures $(\mathfrak{A}_\nu, \phi(\mathfrak{A}_\nu, a_\nu, \dots, a_{\nu_m}))$ and take the ultra product $D\text{-Prod } \lambda_\nu (\mathfrak{A}_\nu, \phi(\mathfrak{A}_\nu, a_\nu, \dots, a_{\nu_m}))$. Denote it by $(\mathfrak{B}, \phi(\mathfrak{B}, b_1, \dots, b_m))$. Then:

$$|\mathfrak{B}| \geq 2^{2^{\aleph_0}} > |\phi(\mathfrak{B}, b_1, \dots, b_m)| = 2^\mu > |L|.$$

Therefore we can use Vaught [10] (the generalization of Corollary 4.2, p. 401). Hence, there exists an α -model \mathfrak{C} of $T(Q)$ and elements c_1, \dots, c_m in \mathfrak{C} such that $|\phi(\mathfrak{C}, c_1, \dots, c_m)| = \aleph_0$, a contradiction to the assumption that Condition 1.2 holds.

In some applications it is simpler to deal with Condition 1.2 than with Condition 1.1, so there is also a practical purpose in Lemma 1.2.

LEMMA 1.3. *Let T be any first order theory, $\alpha \geq \aleph_0$. If T is model-complete (in the usual sense) and T fulfills Condition 1.1 then T is α -model-complete.*

Proof. Use Lemma 1.1.

LEMMA 1.4. *Let T be a theory in L and suppose $\alpha > |L|$. If T is α -model-complete then T fulfills Condition 1.1.*

Proof. Suppose that T does not fulfill Condition 1.1. Then by Lemma 1.2 it also does not fulfill Condition 1.2. Therefore there exists an α -model \mathfrak{A} of $T(Q)$, a formula $\phi(x, x_1, \dots, x_m)$ in L and elements a_1, \dots, a_m in \mathfrak{A} such that $\aleph_0 \leq |\phi(\mathfrak{A}, a_1, \dots, a_m)| < \alpha$. Let C be any set

of power α such that C and the domain of \mathfrak{A} are disjoint. Denote by $D(\mathfrak{A})$ the diagram of \mathfrak{A} and let T' be the following set of sentences:

$T \cup D(\mathfrak{A}) \cup \{\phi(c, a_1, \dots, a_m) : c \in C\} \cup \{c_1 \neq c_2 : \text{for every two different elements } c_1, c_2, \text{ in } C\}$.

T' is a first order theory and every finite subset of T' has a model. Hence, by the Compactness Theorem, T' has a model \mathfrak{A}' . Since $\mathfrak{A} \subseteq \mathfrak{A}'$ and T is α -model-complete then $\mathfrak{A} <_\alpha \mathfrak{A}'$. But $\mathfrak{A} \models_\alpha \neg Qx\phi(x, a_1, \dots, a_m)$ while $\mathfrak{A}' \models_\alpha Qx\phi(x, a_1, \dots, a_m)$, a contradiction.

For a theory T in L such that $\alpha > |L|$ Lemmas 1.3 and 1.4 yield the following:

THEOREM 1.5. *Let T be a theory in L . Suppose T is model-complete (in the usual sense) and $\alpha > |L|$. Then a sufficient and necessary condition for T to be α -model-complete is Condition 1.1.*

It is possible to look at Theorem 1.5 also from the aspect of definability. Let \mathfrak{A} be a model for L , $|\mathfrak{A}| \geq \alpha$. Suppose $A_1 \subseteq \mathfrak{A}$. Call A_1 α -parametrically definable in \mathfrak{A} if there exist a formula $\phi(x, x_1, \dots, x_m)$ in $L(Q)$ and elements a_1, \dots, a_m in \mathfrak{A} such that for every a in \mathfrak{A} , $a \in A_1$ iff $\mathfrak{A} \models_\alpha \phi(a, a_1, \dots, a_m)$. By Lemmas 1.1–1.4 we obtain at once:

THEOREM 1.5*. *Let T be a theory in L which is also model-complete. Suppose $\alpha > |L|$. Then T is α -model complete iff for every α -model \mathfrak{A} of $T(Q)$ and for every set $A_1 \subseteq \mathfrak{A}$, if A_1 is α -parametrically definable in \mathfrak{A} then $|A_1| < \aleph_0$ or $|A_1| \geq \alpha$.*

We proceed with this section by relating to some known model-complete theories. The theory of totally discrete linear ordering having neither first nor last element is model-complete (in the usual sense) but for every $\alpha \geq \aleph_0$ it is not α -model-complete.

The theory of dense linear ordering having neither first nor last element is \aleph_0 -model complete but for every $\alpha \geq \aleph_1$ it is not α -model complete. For the theory of algebraically closed fields and the theory of real closed fields we have the following theorem:

THEOREM 1.6. *Let T be the theory of algebraically closed fields or the theory of real closed fields. Let $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ be any formula in $L(Q)$ (where L is the language of T). Then there exists a quantifier free formula $\psi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ such that $T(Q) \models_\alpha \phi(x_1, \dots, x_n) \leftrightarrow \psi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ for every $\alpha \geq \aleph_0$.*

Proof. The proof is similar to the usual elimination of quantifiers for these theories (e.g. Kreisel and Krivine [6]).

COROLLARY 1.7. *The theory of algebraically closed fields and the theory of real closed fields are α -model-complete for every $\alpha \geq \aleph_0$.*

The last theorem of this section gives a partial answer to a natural question, that is, what conclusions about β -model-completeness can be made assuming α -model-completeness? Using Fuhrken [2] and Keisler [3], one can prove in a straightforward manner that:

THEOREM 1.8. *Let T be a countable first order theory.*

(1) *If T is α -model-complete, $\alpha > \aleph_0$, then it is also \aleph_0 -model-complete.*

(2) *If T is \aleph_1 -model-complete, then T is α -model-complete for every regular α .*

(3) (G.C.H) *If T is α -model-complete where α is a successor of a regular cardinal, then T is β -model-complete for every regular β .*

(4) *If T is α -model-complete where α is a singular cardinal, then T is β -model-complete for every strong limit cardinal β .*

(5) (G.C.H) *If T is α -model-complete where α is a singular cardinal then T is β -model-complete for every singular β .*

Proof. All the parts of the theorem are proved in the same way so it will be enough if we prove for example part (1).

Assume that T is α -model-complete but not \aleph_0 -model complete. Then there exist two \aleph_0 -models $\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{B}$ for $T(Q)$, $\mathfrak{A} \subseteq \mathfrak{B}$, and there exist a formula $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_m)$ in $L(Q)$ and elements a_1, \dots, a_m in \mathfrak{A} such that $\mathfrak{A} \models_{T_0} \phi[a_1, \dots, a_m]$ while $\mathfrak{B} \not\models_{T_0} \phi[a_1, \dots, a_m]$. By Fuhrken [2] we may assume that $|\mathfrak{A}| = |\mathfrak{B}| = \aleph_0$. We also may assume for the sake of simplicity that none of the elements a_1, \dots, a_m is an interpretation of an individual constant in the language of T and also that this language does not contain functions symbols. Let $c_1, \dots, c_m, P(x)$ be m new individual constants and a new unary predicate, respectively. Let ψ be any formula in $L(Q)$. Write ψ^P for the formula obtained from ψ by relativizing all the quantifiers of ψ to P (the relativisation of Q is exactly as the relativisation of the existential quantifier). Denote: $T^P = \{\psi^P : \psi \in T\}$. Let S be the following set of sentences:

$$T \cup T^P \cup \{QxP(x), \bigwedge_{1 \leq i \leq m} P(c_i), \phi^P(c_1, \dots, c_m), \neg \phi(c_1, \dots, c_m)\}.$$

It is easy to see that a suitable expansion of \mathfrak{B} is an \aleph_0 -model of S . By Fuhrken [2] it follows that there exists an α -model \mathfrak{D}' of S . Define $C = \{d : \mathfrak{D}' \models P[d]\}$. Let \mathfrak{D} be the model obtained from \mathfrak{D}' by reducing

\mathfrak{D}' to the language of T . Let \mathfrak{C} be the submodel of \mathfrak{D} built on C (\mathfrak{C} is a submodel since we assumed that our language does not contain functions symbols). It follows immediately that $\mathfrak{C}, \mathfrak{D} \models_{\alpha} T(Q)$. Denote by d_1, \dots, d_m the elements of \mathfrak{D} which correspond to the individual constants c_1, \dots, c_m . Then $\mathfrak{C} \models_{\alpha} \phi[d_1, \dots, d_m]$, $\mathfrak{D} \models_{\alpha} \neg \phi[d_1, \dots, d_m]$, a contradiction to the assumption that T is α -model complete.

A similar theorem, concerning the connections between α -completeness and β -completeness, can be formulated.

It is unknown whether this result is the best result one can obtain.

2. α -Completeness, categoricity and α -model-completeness. Recall now the notions $T(\alpha)$ and α -completeness in the beginning. As an analogue to Vaught's Theorem about the connection between categoricity and completeness we have here:

THEOREM 2.1. *Let T be a countable first order theory categorical in an uncountable power. Then, for every $\alpha \geq \aleph_0$, T is α -complete and $T(\alpha) = T(\aleph_0)$.*

Proof. If T is not \aleph_0 -complete then there exist two \aleph_0 -models $\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{B}$ of $T(Q)$ and there exists a sentence ϕ in $L(Q)$ such that $\mathfrak{A} \models_{\aleph_0} \phi$ and $\mathfrak{B} \not\models_{\aleph_0} \neg \phi$. By Fuhrken [2] there exist two \aleph_1 -models $\mathfrak{A}_1, \mathfrak{B}_1$ such that $\mathfrak{A}_1 \models_{\aleph_1} \phi$, $\mathfrak{B}_1 \models_{\aleph_1} \neg \phi$ and $|\mathfrak{A}_1| = |\mathfrak{B}_1| = \aleph_1$. If T is not α -complete for $\alpha > \aleph_0$, then there exist two α -models $\mathfrak{A}_1, \mathfrak{B}_1$ of $T(Q)$ and a sentence ϕ in $L(Q)$ such that $\mathfrak{A}_1 \models_{\alpha} \phi$, $\mathfrak{B}_1 \models_{\alpha} \neg \phi$ and $|\mathfrak{A}_1| = |\mathfrak{B}_1| = \alpha$. So whether $\alpha = \aleph_0$ or $\alpha > \aleph_0$ the assumption that T is not α -complete leads us to two uncountable models of T that have the same power and are not isomorphic, a contradiction to Morley [7]. Suppose now that there exists α such that $T(\alpha) \neq T(\aleph_0)$. Since T is \aleph_0 -complete and also α -complete there exists ϕ in $L(Q)$ such that $\phi \in T(\aleph_0)$ and $\neg \phi \in T(\alpha)$. By Fuhrken [2] there exists an α -model \mathfrak{A} for $T(Q)$ such that $\mathfrak{A} \models_{\alpha} \phi$, a contradiction to the assumption that $\neg \phi \in T(\alpha)$.

REMARK. If T is categorical in \aleph_0 then T is also \aleph_0 -complete but it is not necessarily α -complete for $\alpha > \aleph_0$. One can easily see that by taking T as the theory of dense linear ordering (having neither first nor last element). Again as in the previous section arises the question about the connection between α -completeness and β -completeness and the answer here is the same as there. Another question about α -completeness is to find a sufficient and necessary condition on formulae in L so that T will be α -complete; but what we know about α -completeness are Theorems 2.2 and 2.3.

Let $\phi(x)$ be a formula in $L(Q)$ having x as its only free variable. Let \mathfrak{A} be a model for L . Denote $\phi(\mathfrak{A}, \alpha) = \{a : \mathfrak{A} \models_{\alpha} \phi[a]\}$.

THEOREM 2.2. *Let T be a countable first order theory. Assume T is α -complete, $\alpha > \aleph_0$. Then for every formula $\phi(x)$ in $L(Q)$ (having x as its only free variable) there exists a cardinal m_ϕ , finite or equal to α , such that for every model \mathfrak{A} for T of power α , $|\phi(\mathfrak{A}, \alpha)| = m_\phi$.*

Proof. Let \mathfrak{A} be any countable model for T (there exists such a model since by the definition of α -completeness T has infinite models. It has also a countable model because it is countable). It is clear that either $\mathfrak{A} \models_{\aleph_0} Qx\phi(x)$ or $\mathfrak{A} \models_{\aleph_0} \neg Qx\phi(x)$. In the first case define $\Sigma_1 = T(Q) \cup \{Qx\phi(x)\}$. By Fuhrken [2] there exists an α -model \mathfrak{A}_1 for Σ_1 . Since $\mathfrak{A}_1 \models_{\aleph_0} Qx\phi(x)$ and T is α -complete then for every α -model \mathfrak{A} for $T(Q)$, $\mathfrak{A} \models_{\alpha} Qx\phi(x)$. Hence $m_\phi = \alpha$ in this case. In the second case there exists a finite number k such that $\mathfrak{A} \models_{\aleph_0} \exists^k !x\phi(x)$, where $\exists^k !x\phi(x)$ is a formula in $L(Q)$ "saying" that there are exactly k elements x such that $\phi(x)$. Define $\Sigma_2 = T(Q) \cup \{\exists^k !x\phi(x)\}$. By the same argument as before there exists an α -model \mathfrak{A}_2 for Σ_2 . Because of the α -completeness of T we obtain $\mathfrak{A} \models_{\alpha} \exists^k !x\phi(x)$ for every α -model \mathfrak{A} of $T(Q)$. Hence, in this case, $m_\phi = k$.

THEOREM 2.3. *Let T be a complete theory in L which is also α -model-complete, $\alpha \geq \aleph_0$. Then T is also α -complete.*

Proof. Suppose on the contrary that T is not α -complete. Then there exist two α -models $\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{B}$ for $T(Q)$ and a sentence ϕ in $L(Q)$ such that $\mathfrak{A} \models_{\alpha} \phi$ and $\mathfrak{B} \models_{\alpha} \neg\phi$. Since T is complete then \mathfrak{A} is elementary equivalent to \mathfrak{B} . By Bell and Slomson [1] (p. 161), there exists a model \mathfrak{D} which is an elementary extension of \mathfrak{A} and \mathfrak{B} . Since T is α -model-complete and $\mathfrak{A} \models_{\alpha} \phi$ it follows that $\mathfrak{D} \models_{\alpha} \phi$. By the same argument we obtain also $\mathfrak{D} \models_{\alpha} \neg\phi$, a contradiction.

DEFINITION 2.1. Let $L(Q)$ be recursive and let T be a theory in L . Call T α -decidable if $T(\alpha)$ is recursive (more precisely, the set of Gödel-Numbers of all the sentences in $T(\alpha)$ is recursive).

THEOREM 2.4. *Let T be a theory in L categorical in an uncountable power. Suppose $L(Q)$ and T are recursive. Then T is α -decidable for every $\alpha \geq \aleph_0$.*

Proof. By Theorem 2.1 we have: $T(\alpha) = T(\aleph_0)$ for every $\alpha \geq \aleph_0$. So it is sufficient to show that $T(\aleph_1)$ is recursive. By Keisler [5] we know that $T(\aleph_1)$ is recursively enumerable. Since T is \aleph_1 -complete then for every ϕ in $L(Q)$, $\phi \in T(\aleph_1)$ iff $\neg\phi \notin T(\aleph_1)$. This means that also the complement of $T(\aleph_1)$ is recursively enumerable. Hence $T(\aleph_1)$ is recursive.

LEMMA 2.5. *Let T be any theory in a countable first order language L such that T is categorical in an uncountable power. Let \mathfrak{A} be a model for T and let a_1, \dots, a_n be elements in \mathfrak{A} . Suppose $|\mathfrak{A}| = \alpha > \aleph_0$ and $\phi(x, x_1, \dots, x_n)$ is a formula in L having exactly x, x_1, \dots, x_n as free variables. Then $|\phi(\mathfrak{A}, a_1, \dots, a_n)| = \alpha$ or $|\phi(\mathfrak{A}, a_1, \dots, a_n)| < \aleph_0$.*

Proof. Since $\alpha > \aleph_0$ then T is categorical in α , by Morley [7]. Denote by $T((\mathfrak{A}, a_1, \dots, a_n))$ the (first order) theory of $(\mathfrak{A}, a_1, \dots, a_n)$. Again by Morley [7] it is easy to see that $T((\mathfrak{A}, a_1, \dots, a_n))$ is categorical in α so $(\mathfrak{A}, a_1, \dots, a_n)$ is a saturated model. It is well known (see for instance Morley and Vaught [8], Theorem 3.7) that in a saturated model each infinite set defined by a formula (in the language for the model) has the power of the whole model. Hence $|\phi(\mathfrak{A}, a_1, \dots, a_n)| = \alpha$ or $|\phi(\mathfrak{A}, a_1, \dots, a_n)| < \aleph_0$.

COROLLARY 2.6. *Let T be as in Lemma 2.5. Then for every formula $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ in $L(Q)$ there exists a formula $\psi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ in L such that $T(Q) \models_\alpha \phi(x_1, \dots, x_n) \leftrightarrow \psi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ for every $\alpha \geq \aleph_0$.*

Proof. By Lemmas 2.5, 1.2, 1.1 and Theorem 2.1.

Corollary 2.6 says that the use of the language $L(Q)$ is dispensable for talking about models of T ; namely, everything that can be said in $L(Q)$ about elements in a model of T can be said about them in L .

THEOREM 2.7. *Let T be a theory in a countable first order language L such that T is categorical in an uncountable power and also model-complete (in the usual sense). Then*

(1) *For every formula $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ in $L(Q)$ there exist two formulae $\psi_i(x_1, \dots, x_n)$, $i = 1, 2$, in L , ψ_1 is existential, ψ_2 is universal and $T(Q) \models_\alpha \phi(x_1, \dots, x_n) \leftrightarrow \psi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ for every $\alpha \geq \aleph_0$.*

(2) *T is α -model-complete for every $\alpha \geq \aleph_0$.*

(3) *If $L(Q)$ and T are recursive then there exists an effective procedure to find ψ_i , $i = 1, 2$, that were mentioned in (1).*

Proof. (1) Let $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ be a formula in $L(Q)$. By Corollary 2.6 there exists a formula $\psi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ in L such that $T(Q) \models_\alpha \phi(x_1, \dots, x_n) \leftrightarrow \psi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ for every $\alpha \geq \aleph_0$. By Robinson [9] (Theorem 3.3.11), since T is model-complete, there exist two formulae $\psi_1(x_1, \dots, x_n)$, $\psi_2(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ in L , ψ_1 is existential, ψ_2 is universal and $T \vdash \psi(x_1, \dots, x_n) \leftrightarrow \psi_i(x_1, \dots, x_n)$, $i = 1, 2$. Therefore

$$T(Q) \models_\alpha \phi(x_1, \dots, x_n) \leftrightarrow \psi_i(x_1, \dots, x_n),$$

$i = 1, 2$, for every $\alpha \geq \aleph_0$.

(2) By the assumption on T and by Corollary 2.6 T is α -model-complete for every $\alpha \geq \aleph_0$.

(3) Since $L(Q)$ is recursive there is an effective procedure to count all existential formulae (in L) that have exactly x_1, \dots, x_n as free variables. Let ψ' be such a formula. By Theorem 2.4 there is an effective procedure to decide whether $[\phi \leftrightarrow \psi'] \in T(\aleph_1)$ or not. Since there exists an existential formula ψ_1 such that $[\phi \leftrightarrow \psi_1] \in T(\aleph_1)$ we shall find it after finite number of steps. In the same way we shall find a universal formula ψ_2 such that $[\phi \leftrightarrow \psi_2] \in T(\aleph_1)$.

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