PHILOSOPHY TRIPOS, PART IB

Wednesday 01 June 2022 11am-4pm

Paper 2

HISTORY OF ANALYTIC PHILOSOPHY

Answer three questions only.

Write the number of the question at the beginning of each answer. If you are answering an either/or question, indicate the letter as well.

For each question do not write more than **2000** words.

1. EITHER: (a) 'The horse Bucephalus is an object, while the concept *horse* is a concept'. Why did Frege disagree? Was he right?

OR: (b) Can axioms succeed as implicit definitions?

2. EITHER: (a) Was Frege correct to ascribe cardinal numbers to concepts rather than to 'external things'?

OR: (b) Does it matter whether Julius Caesar is a natural number or not?

- 3. 'It is clear, however, that "A believes that p", "A has the thought p", and "A says p" are of the form "'p' says p".' (TLP, 5.542) Discuss.
- 4. EITHER: (a) How realist is the Tractatus?

OR: (b) 'All propositions are of equal value.' (TLP, 6.4) Discuss.

- 5. What are Russellian sense data? Can they be used as a basis for explaining our knowledge of the external world?
- 6. Why did Russell adopt the multiple relation theory of judgment? Was he right to do so?
- 7. Was Ramsey right to think there is 'no separate problem of truth'?
- 8. Can Russell's Gray's Elegy argument be made to work against the Fregean notion of sense?
- 9. Compare the views on the particular/universal distinction of two or more of the authors set for this paper.
- 10. Compare the views on identity of two or more of the authors set for this paper.

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