PHILOSOPHY TRIPOS Part II

Wednesday 26 May 2010

09.00 to 12.00

Paper 8

PHILOSOPHICAL LOGIC

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.

STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS

20 Page Answer book x 1 Rough Work Pad

You may not start to read the questions printed on the subsequent pages of this question paper until instructed that you may do so by the Invigilator

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- 1 Must a theory of meaning be full-blooded in Dummett's sense?
- 2 'Davidson's theory of meaning cannot distinguish between semantic and factual disagreements.' Discuss.
- 3 **Either** (a) 'Reference is inscrutable.' What does this mean? Is it true?
 - **Or** (b) '"The cat is on the mat" means that the cat is on the mat. So meaning is determinate.' Discuss.
- 4 Solve the rule-following paradox.
- 5 **Either** (a) Do indicative conditionals have truth-values?
 - **Or** (b) Explain and evaluate an account of the semantics of counterfactual conditionals.
- 6 Does 'the authors of *Principia Mathematica*' denote Whitehead?
- 7 Is logic topic-neutral?
- 8 Is Hume's Principle analytic?
- 9 'Mathematics is the science of structure.' Discuss.
- 10 Does Field show that there can be science without numbers?

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