

PHILOSOPHY TRIPOS Part II

THURSDAY 31 May 2018

09.00 – 12.00

Paper 7

MATHEMATICAL LOGIC

Answer **three** questions only.

Write the number of the question at the beginning of each answer. If you are answering the 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**

1. How does the expressive power of first-order logic with identity differ from that of second-order logic? Why does it matter?
2. Outline the following three theories: first-order Peano arithmetic, first-order complete arithmetic, second-order Peano arithmetic. Can we say that any of them is 'best'?
3. Outline a proof of the completeness of some deductive system for first-order logic without identity. Explain how the compactness of the logic follows.
4. In a set theory without ur-elements, outline (i) a representation of the natural numbers, and (ii) an arithmetization of the real numbers.
5. Attempt all parts of this question:
 - (a) Show that \mathbf{R} (the set of real numbers) is uncountable.
 - (b) Show that there is an injection from the Cartesian product $\mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}$ to \mathbf{R} .
 - (c) Show that there is a set whose cardinality is greater than \mathbf{R} .
6. Does the iterative conception of set solve the set-theoretic paradoxes?
7. 'Skolem's paradox means that it is impossible to convince a determined sceptic that there really are uncountably many sets'. Discuss.
8. Could we recognize a function as computable without showing it to be recursive?
9. What kind of proof of the consistency of first-order Peano arithmetic is important for Hilbert's programme?
10. Sketch a proof that first-order Peano arithmetic does not derive its own consistency statement.

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