

Solutions to Exercise sheet 5

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1 Prove that the Axiom of Cartesian Product holds in the inner model L

$$\text{ZF} \vdash (\forall x \forall y \exists z \forall u [u \in z \leftrightarrow (\exists a \in x)(\exists b \in y)(u = \langle a, b \rangle)])^L$$

without assuming II.1.2. However, you may assume that

$$\text{ZF} \vdash \forall x \forall y \exists z \forall u [u \in z \leftrightarrow (\exists a \in x)(\exists b \in y)(u = \langle a, b \rangle)].$$

Proof. Assume ZF.

Let $x, y \in L$. We want to show that there is a $z \in L$ such that for all $u \in L$,

$$u \in z \leftrightarrow (\exists a \in x)(\exists b \in y)(u = \langle a, b \rangle)$$

Let α be such that $x, y \in L_\alpha$. By assumption, cartesian products exist, so put $z = x \times y = \{u \mid (\exists a \in x)(\exists b \in y)(u = \langle a, b \rangle)\}$. By transitivity of L_α , we have that $x \subseteq L_\alpha$ and $y \subseteq L_\alpha$. Furthermore, for any $a, b \in L_\alpha$,

$$\begin{aligned} \{a\} &= \{u \in L_\alpha \mid \models_{L_\alpha} u = \mathring{a}\} \in L_{\alpha+1}; \\ \{a, b\} &= \{u \in L_\alpha \mid \models_{L_\alpha} u = \mathring{a} \vee u = \mathring{b}\} \in L_{\alpha+1}; \\ \langle a, b \rangle &= \{\{a\}, \{a, b\}\} = \{u \in L_{\alpha+1} \mid \models_{L_{\alpha+1}} u = \{\mathring{a}\} \vee u = \{\mathring{a}, \mathring{b}\}\} \in L_{\alpha+2}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $x \times y \subseteq L_{\alpha+2}$ and then we have that

$$x \times y = \{u \in L_{\alpha+2} \mid \models_{L_{\alpha+2}} (\exists a \in \mathring{x})(\exists b \in \mathring{y})(u = \langle a, b \rangle)\} \in L_{\alpha+3} \subseteq L.$$

So $x \times y \in L$ and we have proven that:

$$\text{ZF} \vdash [\forall x \forall y \exists z \forall u (u \in z \leftrightarrow (\exists a \in x)(\exists b \in y)(u = \langle a, b \rangle))]^L.$$

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2 Let $\text{Add}(s, a, b)$ be the LST formula that states “ $s = a + b$ ” \wedge “ a, b, s are natural numbers”.

a) Prove that $\text{Add}(s, a, b)$ is Δ_1^{KP} . (*)

Proof. The first step is to find a Σ_1 formula that describes $\text{Add}(s, a, b)$. Surprisingly every submission of this homework had a different approach to this. Personally I would use the formula $\exists \Phi(s, a, b)$ with

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(s, a, b) &:= \text{“}f \text{ is a function”} \wedge \text{“}a, b, s \text{ are natural numbers”} \wedge \text{dom}(f) = \langle a + 1, b + 1 \rangle \wedge \\ &f(x, 0) = x \wedge f(x, y + 1) = f(x, y) + 1 \wedge f(a, b) = s \end{aligned}$$

All the terms inside the brackets are Σ_0 . A more compact function would be the unary f such that $\text{dom}(f) = b + 1$, $f(0) = a$, $f(x + 1) = f(x) + 1$ and $f(b) = s$. Clearly in KP we have

$$\text{KP} \vdash \text{Add}(s, a, b) \leftrightarrow \Phi(s, a, b)$$

and furthermore that f is unique for every triple s, a, b of natural numbers. By a previous homework exercise we can conclude that then there is a Π_1^{KP} formulation of Add \square

b) **Prove that the class defined by Add is uniformly $\Delta_1^{L_\alpha}$ for $\alpha > \omega$ limit. (**)**

Proof. We will prove that Add is uniformly $\Sigma_1^{L_\alpha}$ for $\alpha > \omega$ limit. That Add is $\Pi_1^{L_\alpha}$ as well follows from the uniqueness of s for each a, b and the fact that s is in L_α (it is a natural number).

Let add be the \mathcal{L} equivalent of Add. We wish to show that

$$\text{Add}(s, a, b) \Leftrightarrow \vDash_{L_\alpha} \text{add}(\overset{\circ}{s}, \overset{\circ}{a}, \overset{\circ}{b})$$

As we saw in the lecture, if we want to show that Add is $\Sigma_1^{L_\alpha}$, the only case that is specific to Add is that $\exists f \Phi(f, s, a, b) \Rightarrow \vDash_{L_\alpha} \exists f \varphi(f, \overset{\circ}{s}, \overset{\circ}{a}, \overset{\circ}{b})$, where φ is the \mathcal{L} equivalent of Φ . Therefore assume that $\exists f \Phi(f, s, a, b)$ for natural numbers s, a, b .

We know that $\omega \in L_\omega$, and therefore that $a, b, s \in L_\omega$. So for any two natural numbers n, m , we see that $\{n\}, \{n, m\} \in L_{\omega+1}$ and thus $\langle n, m \rangle \in L_{\omega+2}$. Each element of f is of the form $\langle n, \langle n, m \rangle \rangle$, and thus all elements in f are elements in $L_{\omega+4}$. This shows $f \in L_{\omega+5} \subseteq L_\alpha$. So if f is such that $\Phi(f, s, a, b)$, by uniqueness of f we see that $\vDash_{L_\alpha} \varphi(\overset{\circ}{f}, \overset{\circ}{s}, \overset{\circ}{a}, \overset{\circ}{b})$, which proves our claim. \square