

## INTRODUCTION TO STABLE GROUPS - PROBLEM LIST 1

- (1) Suppose  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are definable. Show that:
  - (a)  $\text{RM}(X_1) = 0$  iff  $X_1$  is finite and nonempty.
  - (b)  $\text{RM}(X_1 \cup X_2) = \max(\text{RM}(X_1), \text{RM}(X_2))$  (you can use that  $X_1 \subseteq X_2 \implies \text{RM}(X_1) \leq \text{RM}(X_2)$ , which was proved in the lecture).
  - (c) If there is a definable bijection between  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ , then  $\text{RM}(X_1) = \text{RM}(X_2)$ .
  - (d) If  $X_2 = f(X_1)$  for some  $f \in \text{Aut}(\mathfrak{C})$ , then  $\text{RM}(X_1) = \text{RM}(X_2)$ .
- (2) Let  $\mathfrak{C}$  be a monster model of the theory  $\text{DLO}_0$  of dense linear order without endpoints. Let  $a < b \in \mathfrak{C}$  and let  $\phi(x) = (a < x < b)$ . Prove that  $\text{RM}(X) = \infty$ .
- (3) Let  $G$  be a group definable in an  $\omega$ -stable theory. Prove that the connected component  $G^0$  of  $G$  (that is, the smallest definable subgroup of  $G$  of finite index) is normal in  $G$  and  $\emptyset$ -definable (hint: as we know that  $G^0$  is definable, it is enough to show that  $G$  is invariant under automorphisms to conclude that it is  $\emptyset$ -definable).
- (4) For any stationary  $p \in S(A) \cap [x \in G]$ , define  $g \cdot p := \text{tp}(g \cdot a/A)$  for  $a \models p$  such that  $a \downarrow_A g$ . Prove that  $\text{Stab}_G(p) := \{g \in G : g \cdot p = p\}$  is definable.  
Hints: (i) WLOG  $p \in S(\mathfrak{C})$ , as  $\text{Stab}_G(p) = \text{Stab}_G(\tilde{p})$  (recall  $\tilde{p}$  is the unique global nonforking extension of  $p$ ). (ii) As  $p$  is stationary,  $\text{DM}(p) = 1$ , so there is a formula  $\phi \in p$  with  $\text{RM}(p) = \text{RM}(\phi)$  and  $\text{DM}(\phi) = 1$ . (iii) Use definability of types in stable theories.