An extension of Morley's categoricity theorem to infinite quantifier languages

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However, it is categorical in every λ with respect to the notion of internal size |A| defined as follows. If r(A) is the least regular cardinal λ such that A is λ -presentable, then:

$$|A| = \begin{cases} \kappa & \text{if } r(A) = \kappa^+ \\ r(A) & \text{if } r(A) \text{ is limit} \end{cases}$$

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Let \mathbb{T}_{κ} axiomatize $\mathcal{K}_{\geq \kappa}$. Then the λ -classifying topos of \mathbb{T}_{κ} is equivalent to the presheaf topos $\mathcal{S}et^{Mod_{\lambda}(\mathbb{T}_{\kappa})}$ where $Mod_{\lambda}(\mathbb{T}_{\kappa})$ is the subcategory of λ -presentable models of \mathbb{T}_{κ} . Moreover, the canonical embedding of the syntactic category is given by (note that $\mathcal{K}_{\kappa} \ni M : \mathcal{C}_{\mathbb{T}_{\kappa}} \to \mathcal{S}et$):

$$X \longmapsto M \mapsto M(X)$$

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The category of κ^+ -saturated models $Sat_{\kappa^+}(\mathcal{K})$ is axiomatizable in $\mathcal{L}_{\kappa^{++},\kappa^+}$ and if τ_D is the dense (alternatively, atomic) Grothendieck topology on $\mathcal{K}^{op}_{\kappa}$ (where \mathcal{K}_{κ} is the subcategory of objects of internal size κ), we have

$$\mathcal{S}et[\mathbb{T}_{\kappa^+}^{sat}]_{\kappa^+} \cong \mathcal{S}h(\mathcal{K}_{\kappa}^{op}, \tau_D)$$

Large cardinals and amalgamation

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