



Introduction to Logical Geometry 1. Basic Concepts and Bitstring Semantics

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- http://logicalgeometry.org/tutorial-esslli2018.htm
- course slides
- background readings

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Who are you?

• what's your academic background?

- philosophy
- logic
- linguistics
- mathematics
- computer science



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- ullet logical geometry \sim the systematic study of Aristotelian diagrams
- what are Aristotelian diagrams?
 - later: precise definition
 - now: some motivating examples
- some general trends to pay attention to:
 - long history, but still used today
 - applications in logic and philosophy, but also in many other disciplines
 - not just for teaching purposes, but also in research contexts

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Square of opposition

- oldest and most well-known example of an Aristotelian diagram
- the square of opposition for the categorical statements from syllogistics
 - relations: Aristotle (4th century BCE)
 - diagram: Apuleius of Madaura (2nd century CE),

Boethius (5th century CE)



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- epic poem: Der Wälsche Gast
- visual representation of the seven liberal arts





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- square for the quantifiers from the categorical statements (all, some, no)
- also a square for the dual quantifiers (both, either, neither)

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- squares for the quantifiers and the modalities
- within each vertex: duality behavior
 - every man runs
 - no man does not run
 - not some man does not run



| | CONTRARIE | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Non possibile est non esse | Tertius est quarto | Non possibile est esse |
| Non contingens est non esse | semper contrarius ordo | Non contingens est esse |
| Impossibile est non esse | | Impossibile est esse |
| Necesse est esse | | Necesse est non esse |
| | | |

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- modal syllogistics: propositions with quantifiers and modalities
- 'figura completa', but also 'figura incompleta'

Sic igitur per istas propositiones habetur una figura completa habens propositiones contrarias, contradictorias, subalternas et subcontrarias sic dispositas:



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John Buridan (1300 - 1358)

- integrates several squares into one 'magna figura'
- for modal syllogistics, but also for other types of propositions





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- (proto-scientific) cosmology: Livre du Ciel et du Monde
- an 'extended' square: add the conjunction of the two lower corners





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- analogy:
 - a square for propositions // a square for properties
 - 'cannot be true together' // 'cannot be instantiated together'



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• squares for quantifiers, propositional connectives, modalities, temporal and spatial adverbs





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- "In the nineteenth century, the apparently most widely used textbook in Britain and America" (Parsons, 2017)
- usual square for the categorical statements
- three types of matter (connection between subject and predicate): [n]ecessary, [i]mpossible and [c]ontingent



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- a square of opposition in Begriffschrift notation
- note the mistake: 'conträr' ~> 'subconträr'



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• octagon for the categorical statements with subject negation



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- Ruth Barcan Marcus
- Arthur Prior
- Hans Reichenbach
- Richard Hare
- H. L. A. Hart (cf. figure)
- Roderick Chisholm
- Ernest Sosa





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- linguistics
 - semantics (generalized quantifiers)
 - pragmatics (implicatures)
 - typology (lexicalization)

(Dag Westerståhl) (Laurence Horn) (Debra Ziegeler)

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On the empty O-corner of the Aristotelian Square: A view from Singapore English

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- cognitive science
 - psychology of reasoning
 - emotions research
 - neuroscience

(Stephen Newstead, Richard Griggs) (Olivier Massin) (Camillo Porcaro et al.)



Drawing Inferences from Quantified Statements: A Study of the Square of Opposition

Universal vs. particular reasoning: a study with neuroimaging techniques

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Applications beyond logic and philosophy

- computer science (knowledge representation)
 - formal concept analysis
 - rough set theory
 - formal argumentation theory

(Didier Dubois, Henri Prade) (Yiyu Yao, Davide Ciucci) (Leila Amgoud)

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The Cube of Opposition -A Structure underlying many Knowledge Representation Formalisms

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- Aristotelian diagrams have been used
 - for a very long time (including today)
 - in a wide variety of disciplines (not just logic and philosophy)
- Aristotelian diagrams constitute a **language** for a broad (transdisciplinary and transhistorical) community of researchers who deal with logical reasoning
- \bullet logical geometry \sim the linguistics that systematically studies the language of Aristotelian diagrams
- two fundamental aspects of any language:
 - syntax: form, representation
 - semantics: meaning, what is represented

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→ 'logical'

• perspective shift:

- in a typical application:
 - Aristotelian diagrams are used (= tool)
 - to analyze some linguistic, logical, conceptual phenomenon (= object)
- in logical geometry:

Aristotelian diagrams are themselves the primary objects of study, analyzed using a variety of tools (bitstring analysis, group theory, etc.)

- this has led to an elaborate (and growing) **elegant theory** (regardless of the multitude of applications)
- double motivation for logical geometry:
 - Aristotelian diagrams as objects of independent interest
 - Aristotelian diagrams as a widely-used language

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- other types of logic diagrams:
 - Hasse diagrams
 - Euler/Venn diagrams
 - duality diagrams
- since the 1990s: diagrammatic reasoning
- two courses at ESSLLI 2017:
 - Caught in the Spiders' Diagrammatic Reasoning Web The Euler/Spider Diagram Family of Formal Reasoning Systems
 - Picturing Quantum Processes

We provide a self-contained introduction to quantum theory ... This course is unique in our use of a diagrammatic language throughout. Far from simple visual aids, the diagrams we use are mathematical objects in their own right

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- 1. Basic Concepts and Bitstring Semantics
- Abstract-Logical Properties of Aristotelian Diagrams, Part I
 Aristotelian, Opposition, Implication and Duality Relations
- Visual-Geometric Properties of Aristotelian Diagrams
 Informational Equivalence, Symmetry and Distance
- 4. Abstract-Logical Properties of Aristotelian Diagrams, Part II
 ^{III} Boolean Structure and Logic-Sensitivity
- 5. Case Studies and Philosophical Outlook

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iff

- two propositions are said to be
 - contradictory (CD)
 - contrary (C)
 - subcontrary (SC)
 - in subalternation (SA)

- iff they cannot be true together and they cannot be false together
- iff they cannot be true together but they can be false together
 - iff they can be true together but they cannot be false together
 - the first proposition entails the second but the second doesn't entail the first



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Aristotelian relations: model-theoretic characterisation

- let S be a logical system with
 - the usual Boolean connectives $(\wedge,\vee,\neg,\rightarrow)$
 - a model-theoretic semantics (|=)
- ullet two formulas $arphi,\psi\in\mathcal{L}_{\mathsf{S}}$ are said to be

| S-contradictory (CD _S) | iff | $\models_{S} \neg(\varphi \wedge \psi)$ | and | $\models_{S} \neg (\neg \varphi \land \neg \psi)$ |
|--|-----|---|-----|---|
| S-contrary $(C_{\rm S})$ | iff | $\models_{S} \neg (\varphi \land \psi)$ | and | $\not\models_{S} \neg (\neg \varphi \land \neg \psi)$ |
| S-subcontrary (SC _S) | iff | $\not\models_{S} \neg (\varphi \land \psi)$ | and | $\models_{S} \neg (\neg \varphi \land \neg \psi)$ |
| in S-subalternation (SA _S) | iff | $\models_{S} \varphi \to \psi$ | and | $\not\models_{S} \psi \to \varphi$ |

- the Aristotelian geometry for S: $\mathcal{AG}_S := \{ CD_S, C_S, SC_S, SA_S \}$
- the Aristotelian relations are defined up to logical equivalence:
 - suppose that $\varphi \equiv_{\mathsf{S}} \varphi'$ and $\psi \equiv_{\mathsf{S}} \psi'$
 - then for all $R \in \mathcal{AG}_{\mathsf{S}}$: $R_{\mathsf{S}}(\varphi, \psi) \Leftrightarrow R_{\mathsf{S}}(\varphi', \psi')$

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- let $\mathbb{B} = \langle B, \wedge, \vee, \neg, \top, \bot \rangle$ be an arbitrary **Boolean algebra**
- two elements $x, y \in B$ are said to be

 \mathbb{B} -contradictory ($CD_{\mathbb{R}}$) iff $x \wedge y = \bot$ and $x \lor y = \top$ \mathbb{B} -contrary ($C_{\mathbb{R}}$) iff $x \wedge y = \bot$ and $x \lor y \neq \top$ iff $x \wedge y \neq \bot$ \mathbb{B} -subcontrary (SC_R) and $x \lor y = \top$ iff $\neg x \lor y = \top$ in \mathbb{B} -subalternation (SA_R) and $x \vee \neg y \neq \top$

• the Aristotelian geometry for \mathbb{B} : $\mathcal{AG}_{\mathbb{B}} := \{ CD_{\mathbb{B}}, C_{\mathbb{B}}, SC_{\mathbb{B}}, SA_{\mathbb{B}} \}$

 thanks to this abstract characterisation, Aristotelian relations can be defined between formulas/statements and between sets/concepts

- cf. Lefèvre d'Étaples's 'analogia' between two squares of oppositions
- Keynes, 1906: "These seven possible relations between propositions (taken in pairs) will be found to be precisely analogous to the seven possible relations between *classes* (taken in pairs)"

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Aristotelian relations: logical characterisation

- first concrete instance of the algebraic characterisation: Aristotelian relations in a Lindenbaum-Tarski algebra
- S-equivalence classes of formulas: $[\varphi]_{\mathsf{S}} := \{ \psi \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathsf{S}} \mid \varphi \equiv_{\mathsf{S}} \psi \}$
- $\bullet~$ let $\mathbb{B}(\mathsf{S})$ be the Lindenbaum-Tarski algebra of the logical system S
- two equivalence classes $[\varphi]_{\mathsf{S}}, \ [\psi]_{\mathsf{S}}$ are said to be

| $\mathbb{B}(S)$ -contradictory | iff | $[\varphi]_{S} \wedge [\psi]_{S} = \bot$ | and | $[\varphi]_{S} \vee [\psi]_{S} = \top$ |
|------------------------------------|-----|---|-----|--|
| $\mathbb{B}(S)$ -contrary | iff | $[\varphi]_{S} \wedge [\psi]_{S} = \bot$ | and | $[\varphi]_{S} \vee [\psi]_{S} \neq \top$ |
| $\mathbb{B}(S)$ -subcontrary | iff | $[\varphi]_{S} \wedge [\psi]_{S} \neq \bot$ | and | $[\varphi]_{S} \vee [\psi]_{S} = \top$ |
| in $\mathbb{B}(S)$ -subalternation | iff | $[\neg \varphi]_{S} \vee [\psi]_{S} = \top$ | and | $[\varphi]_{S} \vee [\neg \psi]_{S} \neq \top$ |

• this characterisation essentially corresponds to the model-theoretic one: e.g. φ and ψ are S-contrary iff $[\varphi]_S$ and $[\psi]_S$ are $\mathbb{B}(S)$ -contrary

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Aristotelian relations: set-theoretic characterisation

- second concrete instance of the algebraic characterisation: Aristotelian relations in a Boolean algebra of sets
- let $\mathbb{B} = \langle B, \cap, \cup, \backslash, D, \emptyset \rangle$ be a Boolean algebra of sets
- two sets $X, Y \in B$ are said to be

| $\mathbb B$ -contradictory | iff | $X \cap Y = \emptyset$ | and | $X \cup Y = D$ |
|---------------------------------|-----|---------------------------|-----|----------------------------------|
| $\mathbb B$ -contrary | iff | $X\cap Y=\emptyset$ | and | $X\cup Y\neq D$ |
| $\mathbb B$ -subcontrary | iff | $X\cap Y\neq \emptyset$ | and | $X\cup Y=D$ |
| in \mathbb{B} -subalternation | iff | $(D\backslash X)\cup Y=D$ | and | $X \cup (D \backslash Y) \neq D$ |

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• informal characterisation:

two propositions φ,ψ are said to be ${\bf unconnected}$ iff

| (i) | $arphi$ and ψ can be true together | and |
|-------|---|-----|
| (ii) | $arphi$ does not entail ψ | and |
| (iii) | ψ does not entail $arphi$ | and |

(iv) φ and ψ can be false together

• together, these four conditions imply that φ and ψ do **not stand** in any Aristotelian relation:

- $\bullet\,$ condition (i) implies that φ and ψ are neither CD nor C
- condition (ii) implies that there is no SA from arphi to ψ
- ullet condition (iii) implies that there is no SA from ψ to arphi
- ullet condition (iv) implies that arphi and ψ are neither CD nor SC

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• model-theoretic characterisation: two formulas φ, ψ are said to be S-**unconnected** iff

| (i) | $\not\models_{S} \neg(\varphi \land \psi)$ | and |
|-------|---|-----|
| (ii) | $\not\models_{S} \varphi \to \psi$ | and |
| (iii) | $\not\models_{S} \psi \to \varphi$ | and |
| (iv) | $\not\models_{S} \neg (\neg \varphi \land \neg \psi)$ | |

 \bullet algebraic characterisation: two elements $x,y\in B$ are said to be $\mathbb B\text{-unconnected}$ iff

(i)
$$x \land y \neq \bot$$
 and
(ii) $x \land \neg y \neq \bot$ and
(iii) $\neg x \land y \neq \bot$ and
(iv) $\neg x \land \neg y \neq \bot$

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 first concrete instance: Lindenbaum-Tarski algebra: two equivalence classes [φ]_S, [ψ]_S are said to be B(S)-unconnected iff

 $\begin{array}{ll} (i) & [\varphi]_{\mathsf{S}} \wedge [\psi]_{\mathsf{S}} \neq \bot & \text{and} \\ (ii) & [\varphi]_{\mathsf{S}} \wedge [\neg \psi]_{\mathsf{S}} \neq \bot & \text{and} \\ (iii) & [\neg \varphi]_{\mathsf{S}} \wedge [\psi]_{\mathsf{S}} \neq \bot & \text{and} \\ (iv) & [\neg \varphi]_{\mathsf{S}} \wedge [\neg \psi]_{\mathsf{S}} \neq \bot \\ \end{array}$

• second concrete instance: Boolean algebra of sets: two sets $X, Y \in B$ are said to be \mathbb{B} -unconnected iff

 $\begin{array}{ll} ({\rm i}) & X \cap Y \neq \emptyset & {\rm and} \\ ({\rm ii}) & X \cap (D \backslash Y) \neq \emptyset & {\rm and} \\ ({\rm iii}) & (D \backslash X) \cap Y \neq \emptyset & {\rm and} \\ ({\rm iv}) & (D \backslash X) \cap (D \backslash Y) \neq \emptyset \end{array}$

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- bitstrings are finite sequences of bits (0/1), e.g. 10101011
- bitstrings can encode the denotations of formulas or expressions from:
 - logical systems: e.g. classical propositional logic, first-order logic, modal logic and public announcement logic
 - lexical fields: e.g. comparative quantification, subjective quantification, color terms and set inclusion relations
- each bit provides an **answer** to a meaningful (binary) **question** (origin: analysis of generalized quantifiers as sets of sets)
- note:
 - we use bitstrings to encode formulas, not relations between formulas
 - if a formula φ is encoded by the bitstring b, we write $\beta(\varphi) = b$
 - $[b]_i$ denotes the i^{th} bit position of the bitstring b

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• each question concerns a component (point/interval) of a scalar structure that creates a partition of logical space



• application to FOL/GQT: is Q(A, B) true if

 $A \subseteq B$? yes/no $A \not\subseteq B$ and $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$? yes/no $A \cap B = \emptyset$? yes/no

= 100 $\ =$ \langle yes, no, no angle β (all A are B) • examples: β (some but not all A are B) = 010 = \langle no, yes, no \rangle $= 011 = \langle no, yes, yes \rangle$ β (not all A are B)

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Bitstrings in logical geomery: the basics

- \bullet application to the modal logic S5: is φ true if
 - p is true in all possible worlds?yes/nop is true in some but not in all possible worlds?yes/nop is true in no possible worlds?yes/no

$$\begin{array}{lll} & \beta(\Diamond p) & = 110 & = \langle \text{ yes, yes, no} \rangle \\ \bullet \text{ examples:} & \beta(\Diamond p \land \Diamond \neg p) & = 010 & = \langle \text{ no, yes, no} \rangle \\ & \beta(\Diamond \neg p) & = 011 & = \langle \text{ no, yes, yes} \rangle \end{array}$$

| Modal Logic | GQT | level 1/0 | level 2/3 | GQT | Modal Logic |
|---|------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---|
| necessary $(\Box p)$ | all | 100 | 011 | not all | not necessary $(\neg \Box p)$ |
| <i>contingent</i> $(\neg \Box p \land \Diamond p)$ | some but not all | 010 | 101 | no or all | <i>not contingent</i> $(\Box p \lor \neg \Diamond p)$ |
| impossible $(\neg \Diamond p)$ | no | 001 | 110 | some | possible $(\Diamond p)$ |
| <i>contradiction</i> ($\Box p \land \neg \Box p$) | some and no | 000 | 111 | some or no | tautology $(\Box p \lor \neg \Box p)$ |

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• second application to the modal logic S5: is φ true if

p is true in all possible worlds? p is true in the actual world but not in all possible worlds? p is true in some possible worlds but not in the actual world? p is true in no possible worlds? yes/no yes/no yes/no yes/no

• examples

$$\begin{array}{lll} \beta(\Diamond p) &= 1110 &= \langle \text{ yes, yes, yes, no } \rangle \\ \text{s:} & \beta(\Diamond p \land \Diamond \neg p) &= 0110 &= \langle \text{ no, yes, yes, no } \rangle \\ & \beta(\Diamond \neg p) &= 0111 &= \langle \text{ no, yes, yes, yes, yes} \rangle \end{array}$$

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 \bullet application to propositional logic: is φ true if

p is true and q is true?yes/nop is true and q is false?yes/nop is false and q is true?yes/nop is false and q is false?yes/no

• examples:
$$\begin{array}{ll} \beta(\neg p) &= 0011 &= \langle \text{ no, no, yes, yes} \rangle \\ \beta(p \leftrightarrow q) &= 1001 &= \langle \text{ yes, no, no, yes} \rangle \\ \beta(p \rightarrow q) &= 1011 &= \langle \text{ yes, no, yes, yes} \rangle \end{array}$$

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Bitstrings in logical geometry: the basics

from $2^3 = 8$ bitstrings of length 3 to $2^4 = 16$ bitstrings of length 4

| Modal Logic S5 | Propositional Logic | bitstrings level 1 | bitstrings level 3 | Propositional Logic | Modal Logic S5 |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| $\Box p$ | $p \wedge q$ | 1000 | 0111 | $\neg (p \land q)$ | $\neg \Box p$ |
| $\neg \Box p \wedge p$ | $\neg (p \rightarrow q)$ | 0100 | 1011 | $p \rightarrow q$ | $\Box p \lor \neg p$ |
| $\Diamond p \wedge \neg p$ | $\neg (p \leftarrow q)$ | 0010 | 1101 | $p \leftarrow q$ | $\neg \Diamond p \lor p$ |
| $\neg \Diamond p$ | $\neg (p \lor q)$ | 0001 | 1110 | $p \lor q$ | $\Diamond p$ |

| Modal Logic S5 | Propositional Logic | bitstrings level 2/0 | bitstrings level 2/4 | Propositional Logic | Modal Logic S5 |
|---|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| p | р | 1100 | 0011 | $\neg p$ | $\neg p$ |
| $\Box p \lor (\Diamond p \land \neg p)$ | q | 1010 | 0101 | $\neg q$ | $\neg \Diamond p \lor (\neg \Box p \land p)$ |
| $\Box p \lor \neg \Diamond p$ | $p \leftrightarrow q$ | 1001 | 0110 | $\neg(p \leftrightarrow q)$ | $\neg \Box p \land \Diamond p$ |
| $\Box p \land \neg \Box p$ | $p \wedge \neg p$ | 0000 | 1111 | $p \lor \neg p$ | $\Box p \lor \neg \Box p$ |

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 \bullet recall: given a logic S, two formulas φ,ψ are

| S-contradictory (CD _S) | iff | $\models_{S} \neg(\varphi \land \psi)$ | and | $\models_{S} \neg (\neg \varphi \land \neg \psi)$ |
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| S-subcontrary (SC _S) | iff | $\not\models_{S} \neg (\varphi \land \psi)$ | and | $\models_{S} \neg (\neg \varphi \land \neg \psi)$ |
| in S- <i>subalternation</i> (SA _S) | iff | $\models_{S} \varphi \to \psi$ | and | $\not\models_{S} \psi \to \varphi$ |

- $\{0,1\}^n$ is a Boolean algebra, so it can be used to characterise the Aristotelian relations: two **bitstrings** b_1, b_2 of length n are *n*-contradictory (CD_n) iff $b_1 \wedge b_2 = 0 \cdots 0$ and $b_1 \vee b_2 = 1 \cdots 1$ *n*-contrary (C_n) iff $b_1 \wedge b_2 = 0 \cdots 0$ and $b_1 \vee b_2 \neq 1 \cdots 1$ *n*-subcontrary (SC_n) iff $b_1 \wedge b_2 \neq 0 \cdots 0$ and $b_1 \vee b_2 = 1 \cdots 1$ in *n*-subalternation (SA_n) iff $b_1 \wedge b_2 = b_1$ and $b_1 \vee b_2 \neq b_1$
- φ and ψ stand in some Aristotelian relation (defined for S) iff $\beta(\varphi)$ and $\beta(\psi)$ stand in that same relation (defined for bitstrings)
- ullet eta maps formulas from S to bitstrings, preserving Aristotelian structure

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- $\bullet~$ let $\mathbb{B}=\langle B,\wedge,\vee,\neg,\top,\bot\rangle$ be an arbitrary Boolean algebra
- ullet consider a non-empty fragment $\mathcal{F}\subseteq B$ such that
 - $\bullet \ \top, \bot \notin \mathcal{F}$
 - \mathcal{F} is closed under \mathbb{B} -complementation: if $x \in \mathcal{F}$ then $\neg x \in \mathcal{F}$
- \bullet an Aristotelian diagram for ${\cal F}$ in ${\Bbb B}$ is a diagram that visualizes an edge-labeled graph ${\cal G}$
 - $\bullet\,$ the vertices of ${\cal G}$ are the elements of ${\cal F}$
 - $\bullet\,$ the edges of ${\cal G}$ are labeled by the relations of ${\cal AG}_{\mathbb B}$ between those elements
 - if $x, y \in \mathcal{F}$ stand in some Aristotelian relation in \mathbb{B} , then this is visualized according to the code



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Aristotelian diagrams: model-theoretic characterisation

- let S be an appropriate logical system (Boolean $+ \models$)
- \bullet consider a non-empty fragment $\mathcal{F}\subseteq\mathcal{L}_{\mathsf{S}}$ such that
 - every formula $\varphi \in \mathcal{F}$ is S-contingent: $\not\models_{\mathsf{S}} \varphi$ and $\not\models_{\mathsf{S}} \neg \varphi$
 - *F* is closed under negation (up to ≡_S):
 if φ ∈ *F* then ∃ψ ∈ *F* : ψ ≡_S ¬φ
 - the formulas in *F* are pairwise non-S-equivalent: if φ, ψ ∈ *F* are distinct, then φ ≢_S ψ
- \bullet an $Aristotelian~diagram~for~{\cal F}$ in S is a diagram that visualizes an edge-labeled graph ${\cal G}$
 - $\bullet\,$ the vertices of ${\cal G}$ are the elements of ${\cal F}$
 - $\bullet\,$ the edges of ${\cal G}$ are labeled by the relations of ${\cal AG}_{\sf S}$ between those elements
 - if $\varphi, \psi \in \mathcal{F}$ stand in some Aristotelian relation in S, then this is visualized according to the code



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• PCD = pair of contradictories

• a PCD is the smallest possible Aristotelian diagram

- no Aristotelian diagrams with a single formula
- because of the requirement that they be closed under negation
- PCDs are the building blocks for all larger Aristotelian diagrams

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classical square square of opposition degenerate square unconnectedness square X of opposition

2 PCDs

2 subalternations (SA) 1 contrariety (C) 1 subcontrariety (SC)

2 PCDs

 $4 \times \text{unconnectedness}(U)$

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Jacoby-Sesmat-Blanché hexagonSherwood-Czezowski hexagonJSB hexagonSC hexagon3 PCDs3 PCDs6 subalternations (SA)6 subalternations (SA)3 contrarieties (C)3 contrarieties (C)3 subcontrarieties (SC)3 subcontrarieties (SC)

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Aristotelian octagons for the modal logic S5

 $\Box p \lor \neg \Diamond p$ 1001 $\Box p$ $\neg \Diamond p$ 1000 0001 $p \\ 1100$ 0011 1110 0111 $\Diamond p$ 0110 $\Diamond p \land \neg \Box p$ Béziau octagon 4 PCDs 10 SAs & 5 Cs & 5 SCs

 $4 \times \text{unconnectedness}(U)$



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Boolean closure

• Boolean closure of a fragment \mathcal{F} :

- \bullet the smallest Boolean algebra that contains ${\cal F}$
- ullet contains all Boolean combinations of formulas from ${\mathcal F}$
- notation: $\mathbb{B}(\mathcal{F})$
- contains 2^n formulas, for some natural number n

\bullet Boolean closure of an Aristotelian diagram for ${\cal F}$ in S:

- \bullet Aristotelian diagram for $\mathbb{B}(\mathcal{F})$ in S
- note: Aristotelian diagram, so only S-contingent formulas
- contains $2^n 2$ formulas, for some natural number n

some examples:

- the Boolean closure of a classical square is a JSB hexagon $\Rightarrow 2^3 2 = 6$ contingent Boolean combinations
- the Boolean closure of a degenerate square is a rhombic dodecahedron
- the Boolean closure of an SC hexagon is a rhombic dodecahedron $\Rightarrow 2^4 2 = 14$ contingent Boolean combinations

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• the Boolean closure of a classical square is a JSB hexagon





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- logical and diagrammatic effectiveness
- linguistic and cognitive effectiveness: bitstrings generate new questions about
 - the linguistic/cognitive aspects of the expressions they encode
 - the relative weight/strength of individual bit positions inside bitstrings
 - the underlying scalar/linear structure of the conceptual domain
- edges versus center in bitstrings of length 3



• bitstrings of length 4 as refinements/coarsenings of bitstrings of length 3



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next lectures

Bitstrings: limitations of the informal approach

- no systematic method for establishing a bitstring semantics for any fragment *F* in any logical system S
 Final part of lecture 1
- no good grasp of the intricate interplay between Aristotelian and Boolean structure
 First part of lecture 4
- no good grasp of the logic-sensitivity of the Aristotelian relations
 second part of lecture 4
- to overcome these limitations: develop more mathematically precise approach to bitstring semantics



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Bitstring algebra

- $\{0,1\}^n$ forms a Boolean algebra (bitstrings of length n)
 - $\bullet~\wedge,~\vee~\text{and}~\neg~\text{are defined componentwise}$
 - \bullet top element: $1 \cdots 1$
 - bottom element: $0 \cdots 0$
- \bullet we can define the Aristotelian relations between bitstrings: two bitstrings $b_1,b_2\in\{0,1\}^n$ are

 $\begin{array}{lll} n\text{-contradictory } (\textit{CD}_n) & \text{iff} & b_1 \wedge b_2 = 0 \cdots 0 & \text{and} & b_1 \vee b_2 = 1 \cdots 1 \\ n\text{-contrary } (\textit{C}_n) & \text{iff} & b_1 \wedge b_2 = 0 \cdots 0 & \text{and} & b_1 \vee b_2 \neq 1 \cdots 1 \\ n\text{-subcontrary } (\textit{SC}_n) & \text{iff} & b_1 \wedge b_2 \neq 0 \cdots 0 & \text{and} & b_1 \vee b_2 = 1 \cdots 1 \\ \text{in } n\text{-subalternation } (\textit{SA}_n) & \text{iff} & b_1 \wedge b_2 = b_1 & \text{and} & b_1 \vee b_2 \neq b_1 \end{array}$

• the Aristotelian geometry for bitstrings of length n:

 $\mathcal{AG}_n := \{ CD_n, C_n, SC_n, SA_n \}$

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- the setup:
 - ullet logical systems ${\sf S}_1, {\sf S}_2$ and natural numbers n_1, n_2
 - $x \in \{\mathsf{S}_1, n_1\}$ and $y \in \{\mathsf{S}_2, n_2\}$
 - \mathcal{F}_x is a finite set of formulas of system $x/{
 m bitstrings}$ of length x
 - \mathcal{F}_y is a finite set of formulas of system $y/\mathrm{bitstrings}$ of length y
- we will define functions from \mathcal{F}_x to \mathcal{F}_y
- this encompasses four cases:
 - $\bullet\,$ from formulas of ${\sf S}_1$ to formulas of ${\sf S}_2$
 - from formulas of S_1 to bitstrings of length n_2
 - ullet from bitstrings of length n_1 to formulas of S $_2$
 - from bitstrings of length n_1 to bitstrings of length n_2

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 - \mathcal{F}_y is a finite set of formulas of system $y/{
 m bitstrings}$ of length y
- a bijection $\gamma \colon \mathcal{F}_x \to \mathcal{F}_y$ is an **Aristotelian isomorphism** iff for all Aristotelian relations $R_x \in \mathcal{AG}_x$ and corresponding $R_y \in \mathcal{AG}_y$, and for all $\varphi, \psi \in \mathcal{F}_x$, it holds that $R_x(\varphi, \psi)$ iff $R_y(\gamma(\varphi), \gamma(\psi))$
- a bijection $\gamma \colon \mathcal{F}_x \to \mathcal{F}_y$ is a **Boolean isomorphism** iff there exists some Boolean algebra isomorphism $f \colon \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{F}_x) \to \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{F}_y)$ such that $\gamma = f \upharpoonright \mathcal{F}_x$

(recall that $\mathbb{B}(\mathcal{F})$ is the Boolean closure of \mathcal{F})

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- since the Aristotelian relations are defined in purely Boolean terms, the Aristotelian structure of a fragment is entirely determined by its Boolean structure
- lemma: for any $\gamma \colon \mathcal{F}_x \to \mathcal{F}_y$: if γ is a Boolean isomorphism, then γ is an Aristotelian isomorphism
- a bitstring semantics for *F_x* is a Boolean algebra isomorphism
 β: B → {0,1}ⁿ, where B is some Boolean algebra that contains *F_x* (not necessarily the smallest one)
- \bullet lemma: every bitstring semantics $\beta\colon \mathbb{B}\to \{0,1\}^n$ is an Aristotelian isomorphism

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Example

• fragment \mathcal{F} of S5-formulas: $\{\Box p, \Diamond p, \Box \neg p, \Diamond \neg p\}$

ullet two Boolean algebras that contain \mathcal{F} :

- \mathbb{B}_3 , which has atoms $\Box p, \Diamond p \land \Diamond \neg p$ and $\Box \neg p$ (note: $\mathbb{B}_3 = \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{F})$)
- \mathbb{B}_4 , which has atoms $\Box p, p \land \Diamond \neg p, \neg p \land \Diamond p$ and $\Box \neg p$
- two bitstring semantics for \mathcal{F} :
 - $\beta_3 \colon \mathbb{B}_3 \to \{0,1\}^3$
 - $\beta_4 \colon \mathbb{B}_4 \to \{0,1\}^4$



Partitions

- let S be a logical system with Boolean operators and a semantics \models , and consider $\mathcal{F} = \{\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m\} \subseteq \mathcal{L}_S$
- the partition of S induced by \mathcal{F} is $\Pi_{\mathsf{S}}(\mathcal{F}) := \{ \alpha \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathsf{S}} \mid \alpha \equiv_{\mathsf{S}} \pm \varphi_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \pm \varphi_m, \text{ and } \alpha \text{ is S-consistent} \}$
- $\pm \varphi$ stands for either φ or $\neg \varphi$; α should be read up to \equiv_{S}
- the formulas $\alpha \in \Pi_{\mathsf{S}}(\mathcal{F})$ are called **anchor formulas**
 - in principle, equivalent to a conjunction of $m = |\mathcal{F}|$ conjuncts
 - can often be simplified, e.g. when $\neg \varphi_i \equiv_{\mathsf{S}} \varphi_j$ for some $\varphi_i, \varphi_j \in \mathcal{F}$
- $\Pi_{\mathsf{S}}(\mathcal{F})$ is a **partition** of (the class of all models of) S:
 - $\models_{\mathsf{S}} \neg (\alpha_i \land \alpha_j)$ for distinct $\alpha_i, \alpha_j \in \Pi_{\mathsf{S}}(\mathcal{F})$
 - $\models_{\mathsf{S}} \bigvee \Pi_{\mathsf{S}}(\mathcal{F})$

(mutually exclusive) (jointly exhaustive)

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Example

- first-order logic (FOL), fragment $\mathcal{F} := \{ \forall x P x, \exists x P x, \neg P a \}$
- \bullet let's compute $\Pi_{\text{FOL}}(\mathcal{F}),$ the partition of FOL induced by \mathcal{F}
- there are $2^{|\mathcal{F}|} = 2^3 = 8$ relevant conjunctions

| 1. | $\forall x P x$ | \wedge | $\exists x P x$ | \wedge | $\neg Pa$ | \rightsquigarrow | FOL-inconsistent |
|----|----------------------|----------|----------------------|----------|----------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| 2. | $\forall x P x$ | \wedge | $\exists x P x$ | \wedge | $\neg \neg Pa$ | $\sim \rightarrow$ | $\forall x P x$ |
| 3. | $\forall x P x$ | \wedge | $\neg \exists x P x$ | \wedge | $\neg Pa$ | \rightsquigarrow | FOL-inconsistent |
| 4. | $\forall x P x$ | \wedge | $\neg \exists x P x$ | \wedge | $\neg \neg Pa$ | \rightsquigarrow | FOL-inconsistent |
| 5. | $\neg \forall x P x$ | \wedge | $\exists x P x$ | \wedge | $\neg Pa$ | \rightsquigarrow | $\neg Pa \land \exists x Px$ |
| 6. | $\neg \forall x P x$ | \wedge | $\exists x P x$ | \wedge | $\neg \neg Pa$ | \rightsquigarrow | $Pa \land \neg \forall x Px$ |
| 7. | $\neg \forall x P x$ | \wedge | $\neg \exists x P x$ | \wedge | $\neg Pa$ | \rightsquigarrow | $\neg \exists x P x$ |
| 8. | $\neg \forall x P x$ | \wedge | $\neg \exists x P x$ | \wedge | $\neg \neg Pa$ | $\sim \rightarrow$ | FOL-inconsistent |

• $\Pi_{\mathsf{FOL}}(\mathcal{F}) = \{ \forall x P x, \neg P a \land \exists x P x, P a \land \neg \forall x P x, \neg \exists x P x \}$

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- given partitions Π_1 and Π_2 :
 - Π_1 is a **refinement** of Π_2 iff for all $\alpha \in \Pi_1$ there exists $\alpha' \in \Pi_2$ such that $\models_{\mathsf{S}} \alpha \to \alpha'$
 - the **meet** of Π_1 and Π_2 is defined as follows: $\Pi_1 \wedge_{\mathsf{S}} \Pi_2 := \{\gamma_1 \wedge \gamma_2 \mid \gamma_1 \in \Pi_1, \gamma_2 \in \Pi_2, \text{ and } \gamma_1 \wedge \gamma_2 \text{ is S-consistent} \}$
 - $\bullet\,$ note: $\Pi_1 \wedge_{\mathsf{S}} \Pi_2$ is the coarsest common refinement of Π_1 and Π_2
- lemma: if $\mathcal{F}_1 \cup \mathcal{F}_2 = \mathcal{F}$, then $\Pi_{\mathsf{S}}(\mathcal{F}_1) \wedge_{\mathsf{S}} \Pi_{\mathsf{S}}(\mathcal{F}_2) = \Pi_{\mathsf{S}}(\mathcal{F})$
- lemma: if $\mathcal{F}_1 \subseteq \mathcal{F}_2$, then $\Pi_{\mathsf{S}}(\mathcal{F}_2)$ is a refinement of $\Pi_{\mathsf{S}}(\mathcal{F}_1)$
- given two logics S₁ and S₂ (with the same language L), we say that S₂ is stronger than S₁ iff for all φ ∈ L: if ⊨_{S1} φ then ⊨_{S2} φ

• lemma: if S₂ is stronger than S₁, then $\Pi_{S_2}(\mathcal{F}) = \{ \alpha \in \Pi_{S_1}(\mathcal{F}) \mid \alpha \text{ is } S_2\text{-consistent} \}$

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- logic S, fragment \mathcal{F} and partition $\Pi_{\mathsf{S}}(\mathcal{F}) = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n\}$
- lemma: for all $\varphi \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{F})$:
 - for all $\alpha_i \in \Pi_{\mathsf{S}}(\mathcal{F})$ we have $\models_{\mathsf{S}} \alpha_i \to \varphi$ or $\models_{\mathsf{S}} \alpha_i \to \neg \varphi$, but not both
 - $\varphi \equiv_{\mathsf{S}} \bigvee \{ \alpha \in \Pi_{\mathsf{S}}(\mathcal{F}) \mid \models_{\mathsf{S}} \alpha \to \varphi \}$

• for every $\varphi \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{F})$, we define a bitstring $\beta_{\mathsf{S}}^{\mathcal{F}}(\varphi) \in \{0,1\}^n$ as follows:

for each bit position
$$1 \le i \le n : [\beta_{\mathsf{S}}^{\mathcal{F}}(\varphi)]_i := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \models_{\mathsf{S}} \alpha_i \to \varphi, \\ 0 & \text{if } \models_{\mathsf{S}} \alpha_i \to \neg \varphi. \end{cases}$$

- lemma: for all $\varphi \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{F})$ we have $\varphi \equiv_{\mathsf{S}} \bigvee \{ \alpha_i \in \Pi_{\mathsf{S}}(\mathcal{F}) \mid [\beta_{\mathsf{S}}^{\mathcal{F}}(\varphi)]_i = 1 \}$
- ullet relativized disjunctive normal form: φ is rewritten as
 - a disjunction of anchor formulas, which are themselves
 - ullet conjunctions of (possibly negated) formulas $\pm arphi_j \in \mathcal{F}$

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- for every $\varphi \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{F})$, we have bitstring $\beta_{\mathsf{S}}^{\mathcal{F}}(\varphi) \in \{0,1\}^n = \{0,1\}^{|\Pi_{\mathsf{S}}(\mathcal{F})|}$
- turn this into a function $\beta_{\mathsf{S}}^{\mathcal{F}} \colon \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{F}) \to \{0,1\}^{|\Pi_{\mathsf{S}}(\mathcal{F})|}$
- theorem: $\beta_S^{\mathcal{F}}$ is a bitstring semantics for \mathcal{F}
- corollary: $|\mathbb{B}(\mathcal{F})| = 2^{|\Pi_{\mathsf{S}}(\mathcal{F})|}$
- \bullet corollary: $\beta_{\mathsf{S}}^{\mathcal{F}}$ is an Aristotelian isomorphism
- corollary: $\beta_{S}^{\mathcal{F}}$ is a minimal bitstring semantics for \mathcal{F} : every other bitstring semantics for \mathcal{F} is either a permutation variant of $\beta_{S}^{\mathcal{F}}$ or makes use of bitstrings of length $> |\Pi_{S}(\mathcal{F})|$

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- \bullet fragment size $m:=|\mathcal{F}|$ and bitstring length $n:=|\Pi_\mathsf{S}(\mathcal{F})|$
- theorem:
 - (1) we can bound m in terms of n: $\lceil \log_2(n) \rceil \leq m \leq 2^n$ (2) we can bound n in terms of m: $\lceil \log_2(m) \rceil \leq n \leq 2^m$
- (1) and (2) can be seen as each other's inverses
- all these bounds are tight
- theorem (special case, but very relevant for logical geometry): if *F* only contains S-contingent formulas and is closed under negation:
 - (1') bound m in terms of n: $2\lceil \log_2(n) \rceil \leq m \leq 2^n 2$ (2') bound n in terms of m: $\lceil \log_2(m+2) \rceil \leq n \leq 2^{\frac{m}{2}}$

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Thank you!

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