

# THE MODEL THEORY OF SET-THEORETIC MEREOLOGY

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## MEREOLOGY

STUDY OF PART/WHOLE RELATION

$P \in Q$  P IS PART OF Q.

### RICH HISTORY

- CLASSICAL ROOTS IN PRESOCRATICS
- PLATO, ARISTOTLE
- MEDIAVAL ONTOLOGISTS, SCHOLASTICS
- FORMAL THEORY
  - BRENTANO, HUSSERL (1901)
  - LEŚNIEWSKI 1916 FOUNDATIONS OF GENERAL THEORY OF SETS
  - 1927-31 FOUNDATIONS OF MATHEMATICS
- DAVID LEWIS 1991 PARTS OF CLASSES

### MEREOLOGY V. SET THEORY

- OFTEN CONTRASTED
- FORMAL THEORIES APPEAR AROUND SAME TIME
- MEREOLOGY                      SET THEORY
- $P \in Q$                                $P \in Q$
- AXIOMS
- REFL  $P \in P$
- TRANS  $P \in Q \in V \Rightarrow P \in V$
- ANTI-SYM  $P \in Q \in P \Rightarrow P = Q$
- M. SUM  $\forall P, Q \exists P \sqcup Q$
- DIFF  $\forall P, Q \exists P \dot{-} Q$
- ATOMICITY EVERY P IS FUSION OF ATOMS

SET THEORY HAS FOUND ENORMOUS SUCCESS AS A FOUNDATION OF MATHEMATICS.

CAPACITY TO REPRESENT ARBITRARY MATH'L STRUCTURE

YET, MEREOLOGY HAS NOT. ONE CAN IMAGINE A RICH, DEEP THEORY OF MEREOLOGY, USED AS FOM.

QUESTION WHY HAS MEREOLOGY NOT SUCCEEDED AS A FOUNDATION OF MATHEMATICS?

# SET-THEORETIC MEREOLOGY

- STUDY THE INCLUSION RELATION  $P \subseteq Q$ .
- FOCUS OF LEWIS' MEREOLOGICAL CONCEPTION.

QUESTION • CAN SET-THEORETIC MEREOLOGY SERVE AS FOUNDATION OF MATHEMATICS?

• CAN  $\subseteq$  PROVIDE FAITHFUL REPRESENTATIONS OF ARB. MATH'L STRUCTURE?

AT BOTTOM: CAN WE GET BY WITH  $\subseteq$  INSTEAD OF  $\in$ ?

PROJECT GIVEN UNIVERSE OF SET THEORY  $(V, \in)$

CONSIDER MEREOLOGICAL REDUCT  $(V, \subseteq)$ .

PURE MEREOLOGY  
 $\subseteq$  ONLY

VS. AUGMENTED

e.g. SINGLETON  $a \mapsto \{a\}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{DEFINE } u \in v &\iff \forall x \quad x \in u \implies x \in v \\ y = \{x\} &\iff \forall z \quad z \in y \iff z = x \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{CONVERSELY } x \in y \iff \{x\} \subseteq y.$$

CONCLUSION MEREOLOGY WITH SINGLETONS = SET THEORY.

QUESTION (KIKUCHI) CAN THERE BE TWO <sup>DISTINCT</sup> MODELS OF SET THEORY WITH SAME INCLUSION?

ANSWER YES. <sup>DEFINABLE</sup> FOR EVERY  $(V, \in)$  THERE IS  $\in^* \neq \in$  S.T.  $\subseteq^* = \subseteq$ .

$(V, \in) \neq (V, \in^*)$  DISTINCT

$(V, \subseteq) = (V, \subseteq^*)$  SAME

PROOF: LET  $\theta: V \rightarrow V$  BE ANY <sup>(NONTRIV.)</sup> DEFINABLE PERMUTATION.

LET  $\tau(u) = \theta''u = \{\theta(a) \mid a \in u\}$ . THIS IS  $\subseteq$ -AUTOMORPHISM:

$$u \subseteq v \iff \theta''u \subseteq \theta''v \iff \tau(u) \subseteq \tau(v).$$

DEFINE  $a \in^* b$  IFF  $\tau(a) \in \tau(b)$ .  $(V, \in^*) \cong_{\tau} (V, \in)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{OBSERVE } u \in^* v &\iff \forall a \quad a \in^* u \implies a \in^* v \\ &\iff \forall a \quad \tau(a) \in \tau(u) \implies \tau(a) \in \tau(v) \\ &\iff \tau(u) \subseteq \tau(v). \\ &\iff u \subseteq v. \end{aligned}$$

SO  $\subseteq^* = \subseteq$ .  $\square$

COROLLARY SET-THEORETIC MENEOLOGY IS NOT RIGID.

$$\tau: (V, \subseteq) \cong (V, \subseteq).$$

CONTRAST:  $(V, \subseteq)$  IS RIGID FOR DEFINABLE MAPS.

COROLLARY  $\in$  IS NOT DEFINABLE FROM  $\subseteq$ .

Q IS  $\subseteq$  A FOUNDATION OF MATH?

A NO.

THEOREM SET-THEORETIC MENEOLOGY IS A DECIDABLE THEORY.

WARM-UP: CONSIDER  $(HF, \subseteq)$ .

ISOMORPHIC TO SET OF FINITE SUBSETS OF A CTBLE SET.  $(P_{FIN}(M), \subseteq)$ .

ISO TO SQ-FREE NUMBERS UNDER  $n|m$ .

INTERPRETABLE IN  $(\mathbb{N}, \cdot)$ . DECIDABLE THEORY.

IN FACT:

THEOREM SET-THEORETIC MENEOLOGY, CONSIDERED AS  $Th(V, \subseteq)$ , IS EXACTLY: ATOMIC, UNBOUNDED, RELATIVELY COMPLEMENTED DISTRIBUTIVE LATTICE.

FINITELY AXIOMATIZABLE, COMPLETE, DECIDABLE.

PROOF: BY QE ~~ALIA~~ IN STYLE OF TARSKI FOR BOOL. ALG. & ERŠOV'S EXTENSION TO REL. COMPL. DISTRIB. LATTICES.

FIRST IF ~~W, E^M~~  $(W, E^M)$  IS MODEL OF SET THEORY, THEN  $(W, \subseteq^M)$  IS SUCH AN ATOMIC, UNBDD ETC. LATTICE.

ZACH MCKENZIE HAS RESULTS ANALYZING MINIMAL SET THEORY NEEDED FOR THIS.

SECOND THEORY OF ATOMIC, UNBDD, REL. COMPLEMENTED, DISTRIB. LATTICE ADMITS QE IN LANGUAGE WITH  $\subseteq, x \cap y, x \cup y, x - y, |x| = n, |x| \geq n$  FOR  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

PROOF: PROVE QE BY INDUCTION ON FORMULAS.

CONSIDER  $\exists x \varphi(x, y_0, \dots, y_n)$  WITH  $\varphi$  Q-FREE IN EXPANDED LANGUAGE.

[ELIMINATE EQUALITY VIA  $x=y \leftrightarrow x \subseteq y \ \& \ y \subseteq x$   
ELIMINATE  $\subseteq$  VIA  $a \subseteq b \leftrightarrow |a-b|=0$   
ELIMINATE NEGATION  $x \not\subseteq y \leftrightarrow |y-x| \geq 1$ .

$$|t| \neq n \leftrightarrow \bigvee_{k < n} |t| = k$$

$$|t| \neq n \leftrightarrow |t| \geq n+1 \vee \bigvee_{k < n} |t| = k$$



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- REDUCE COMPLEX TERMS TO CELLS OF VENN DIAGRAM



$$|S \cup t| = n \iff \bigvee_{i+j+k=n} (|S| = i+j) \wedge (|S \cap t| = j) \wedge (|t| = j+k)$$

$$|S \cup t| \geq n \iff \bigvee_{i+j+k=n} (|S| \geq i+j) \wedge (|S \cap t| \geq j) \wedge (|t| \geq j+k)$$

REDUCE TO CELL TERMS  $\bigcap_{i \in N} \pm x_i$  AT LEAST ONE VARIABLE APPEARS POSITIVELY

e.g.  $(x_1 \wedge x_2) \vee (x_3 \vee x_4 \vee x_5)$

MUST ELIMINATE QUANTIFIERS FROM  $\exists x \varphi$

$\varphi$  IS BOOL COMB OF SIZE ASSERTIONS ABOUT CELL TERMS, POSITIVE

USE DNF - & DISTRIBUTE OVER  $\vee$

SO  $\varphi$  IS CONJUNCTION OF SIZE ASSERTIONS. ~~BOUNDED~~ ~~CAN~~ ~~BE~~ ~~ELIMINATED~~

e.g.  ~~$\exists x (|x \cap c| \geq 3 \wedge |x \cap d| \geq 7)$~~

CAN GROUP BY CELL TERMS SEPARATELY, SINCE THEY ARE DISJOINT.

NOW ELIMINATE  $\exists$

e.g.  $\exists x (|x \cap c| \geq 3 \wedge |x \cap d| \geq 7 \wedge |c-x| = 2 \wedge |d-x| \geq 7)$

$$\iff |c| \geq 9 \wedge |d| \geq 7$$

SENTENCES ARE SETTLED TRIVIAALLY. SO THE THEORY IS COMPLETE.  $\square$

CONCLUSION  
MERELOGY IS A DECIDABLE THEORY.

MAIN PHILOSOPHICAL  
CONCLUSION

THIS IS WHY IT CANNOT SERVE AS A FOUNDATION OF MATHEMATICS.

COROLLARY  $(M, \subseteq) \prec (N, \subseteq)$

QUESTION GIVEN MODEL OF SET THEORY  $(M, \in^M)$  FORM MERELOGICAL MODEL  $(M, \subseteq^M)$ .  
WHICH MODELS ARISE THIS WAY?

OR... GIVEN  $(M, \subseteq)$  MODEL OF SET-THEORETIC MERELOGY, WHEN CAN WE FIND  $\in^M$   
S.T.  $(M, \in^M) \models$  SET THEORY &  $\subseteq = \subseteq^M$ ?

HOW MUCH SET THEORY  $Th(M, \in)$  DOES MERELOGY  $(M, \subseteq)$  KNOW?

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ANSWER MEREOLOGT DOESN'T KNOW ANY SET THEORY.

THEOREM ALL COUNTABLE MODELS OF SET THEORY  $(M, \varepsilon^M) \models ZFC$  HAVE ISOMORPHIC MEREOLOGICAL REDUCTS  $(M, \subseteq^M)$ .



WORKS WITH V. WEAK SET THEORIES, BUT AC CANNOT BE OMITTED.

CONSEQUENCE OF:

THEOREM MEREOLOGICAL REDUCT  $(M, \subseteq^M)$  OF <sup>CTBLE</sup> MODELS OF SET THEORY ARE PRECISELY THE CTBLE SATURATED MODELS OF SET-THEORETIC MEREOLOGT.

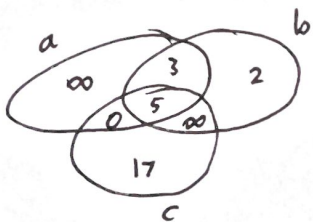


RECALL

THEOREM (LIPSHITZ/NADEL 1978) EVERY NONSTANDARD  $(M, +, \cdot, 0, 1, <)$   $\models PA$  HAS COMPUTABLY SATURATED REDUCT  $(M, +)$ .  
FOR CTBLE  $M$ ,  $(M, +)$  IS DETERMINED UP TO ISOMORPHISM BY  $SS(M)$ .

AT FIRST, WE EXPECTED THIS SITUATION FOR MEREOLOGT, BUT INSTEAD GOT ~~★~~, A MUCH STRONGER RESULT.

LEMMA IF  $P(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  IS A COMPLETE  $\pi$ -TYPE IN SET-THEORETIC MEREOLOGT, THEN  $P(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  EXPRESSES EXACTLY THAT CELLS OF VENN DIAGRAM HAVE SOME SPECIFIC FINITE SIZE OR ARE INFINITE.



$|a - (b \cap c)| = \infty$   
 $|(a \cap b) - c| = 3$   
ETC.

LEMMA A MODEL  $(M, \subseteq)$  OF SET-THEORETIC MEREOLOGT IS  $N_0$ -SATURATED IFF

- ① EVERY INFINITE ELT. OF  $M$  IS DISJOINT UNION OF TWO INFINITE ELTs.
- & ②  $\forall a \in M \exists$  INFINITE ELT. DISJOINT FROM  $a$ .

PROOF OF ~~★~~: CAN ASSEMBLE  $x$  REALIZING EACH PIECE OF THE VENN DIAGRAM.





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CONCLUSION ~~AND~~ ALL CTBLE MODELS OF ZFC HAVE ISOMORPHIC REDUCTS TO  $\subseteq$ .

MERELOGY KNOWS NO SET THEORY.

CAN'T TELL IF CH HOLDS OR FAILS

$V=L$

LC

ETC.

BUT WE NEEDED AC IN THE ARGUMENT.

( $\omega$ -STANDARD)  
CONSIDER A MODEL OF ZF WITH AN AMORPHOUS SET: ALL SUBSETS FINITE OR COFINITE.

SUCH A MODEL FAILS SATURATION CRITERION.

QUESTION HOW MANY NON-ISOMORPHIC MODELS  $(M, \subseteq)$  ARISE FROM CTBLE  $(M, \varepsilon^M) \models ZF$  ?

## • CLASSES

MOVE TO GÖDEL-BERNAYS GBC  
KELLEY-MORSE KMA

THEOREM IF  $(M, \varepsilon^M) \models GBC$ , THEN  $(M, \subseteq^M)$  IS  $\aleph_0$ -SATURATED OF CLASS-THEORETIC MEREOLOGY, AN  $\aleph_0$ -SATURATED INFINITE ATOMIC BOOLEAN ALGEBRA.

CONOLLARY ALL CTBLE MODELS OF GBC HAVE ISO. INCLUSION RELATIONS.

## • UNCTBLE MODELS

THEOREM FOR EVERY UNCTBLE  $K$ , THERE ARE  $2^K$  MANY PAIRWISE NON-ISOMORPHIC MODELS OF SET-THEORETIC MEREOLOGY ARISING AS REDUCT  $\subseteq$  OF MODEL OF SET THEORY.

SET-THEORETIC MEREOLOGY IS UNSTABLE —  $\subseteq$  ITSELF IS AN ORDER RELATION.

THEOREM IF  $(M, \varepsilon)$  IS MODEL OF SET-THEORETIC MEREOLOGY & SATURATED, THEN IT ARISES AS  $\subseteq^M$  OF MODEL  $(M, \varepsilon^M)$  OF ANY DESIRED CONSIS. SET THEORY.

PROOVSES RESPLENDENCY.

THM IF  $\diamond$  HOLDS AND ZFC CONSIST, THEN  $\exists$  FAMILY OF  $2^{\aleph_1}$  MANY  $\omega_1$ -LIKE MODELS OF ZFC WITH PAIRWISE NONISOMORPHIC  $\subseteq$  RELATIONS. INDEED, PAIRWISE NON-EMBEDDABLE.

PROOF BUILDS A TREE OF END-EXTENSIONS, USING  $\diamond$  TO ANTICIPATE & KILL OFF EMBEDDINGS.