

## Mereology 2

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## Remarks:

- The course web-page was (is??) down
- Somebody hacked into Barry's Ontology site and deleted most of its content
- Please send me email –then I will send you the course notes

## Talks ???

- First come – first serve
- History of Part-whole
- Holes

## Overview

1. Extending ground mereology
2. The weak supplementation principle
3. The proper part principle
4. The strong supplementation principle
5. Extensional mereology (EM)
6. Theorems of EM
7. Summary

## Ground mereology - M

- Axioms
  - M1  $P\ xx$
  - M2  $P\ xy \ \& \ P\ yx \Rightarrow x = y$
  - M3  $P\ xy \ \& \ P\ yz \Rightarrow P\ xz$
- Defined relations:
  - Overlap
  - Underlap
  - Proper part

## Partial ordering is not parthood

- Ground mereology captures some aspects of parthood
  - Bur admits models which conflict with our intuitions about parthood
- $\Rightarrow$  More axioms are needed

## Extending ground mereology

- Adding Principles asserting the existence of entities given the existence of other entities
  - Whenever an entity has one proper part then it has more than one proper part
  - Given two entities then there exists an entity which is the sum of them
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  - Products, complements, ...

## Our example model

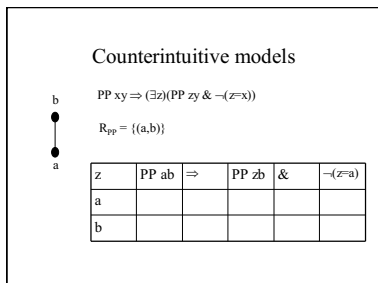
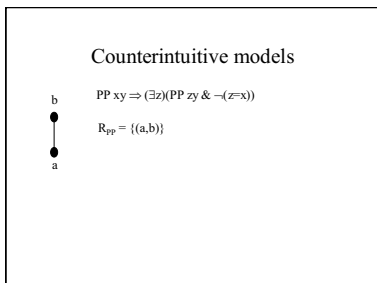
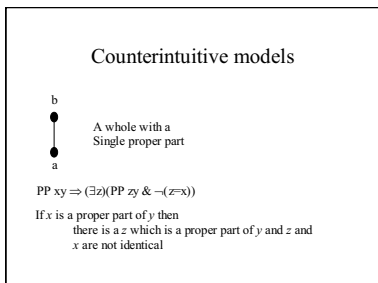
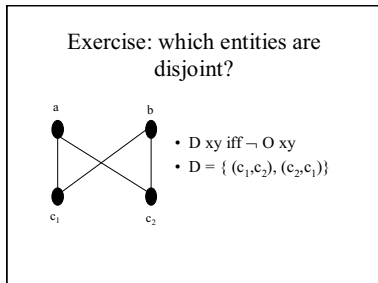
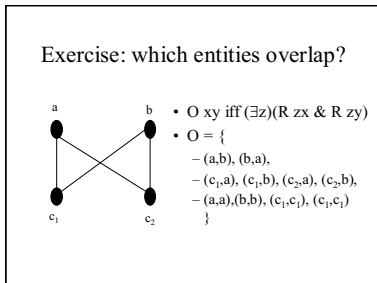
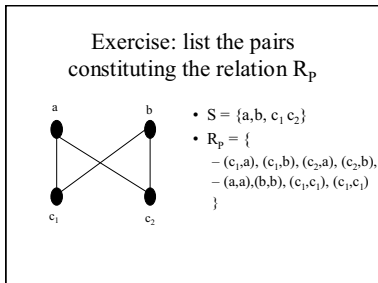
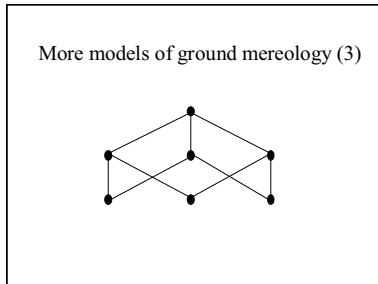
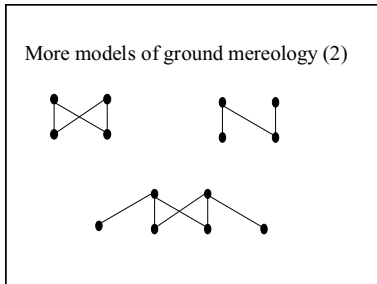
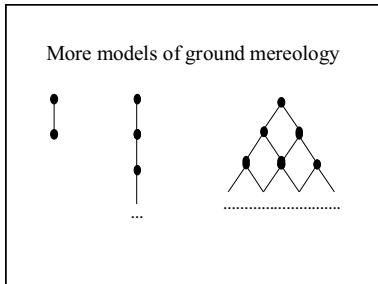
- Structure  $A_1 = (S_1, R_1)$  with
  - $S_1 = \{a, b\}$
  - $R_1 = \{(a, a), (a, b), (b, b)\}$
- We interpreted P as  $R_1$
- We then verified that the axioms
  - $P\ xx$
  - $P\ xy \ \& \ P\ yx \Rightarrow x = y$
  - $P\ xy \ \& \ P\ yz \Rightarrow P\ xz$hold

## A nicer way of representing models

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  - $R_1$  interpreted as P



- We represent entities of our domain as points in the plane
- If  $P\ xy$  holds then we connect them by a line
- The first argument is further down than the second argument
- We do not explicitly represent  $P\ xx$



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 Since the chain is infinite there is no such z  
 $\Rightarrow$  the model is ruled out

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### Weak supplementation principle

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### Models of the WSP

### Minimal mereology - MM

- Axioms
  - M1  $P\ xx$
  - M2  $P\ xy \ \& \ P\ yx \Rightarrow x = y$
  - M3  $P\ xy \ \& \ P\ yz \Rightarrow P\ xz$
  - WSP  $PP\ xy \Rightarrow (\exists z)(PP\ zy \ \& \ \neg\ O\ zx)$

### Models of WSP

- $R_{pp} = \{(c_1, a), (c_2, a), (c_1, b), (c_2, b)\}$
- Proper parts of a:  $c_1, c_2$
- Proper parts of b:  $c_1, c_2$
- **Two DISTINCT entities which share the same proper parts !!**

### Two distinct entities which share the same proper parts

- A statue and the clay
- City of Vienna and the federal state of Vienna

### Two distinct entities which share the same proper parts

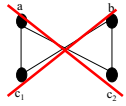
- But not for distinct physical objects

### The proper part principle (PPP)

- If
  - $x$  has some proper part and
  - Every proper part of  $x$  is a proper part of  $y$
- Then  $x$  is a part of  $y$
- $((\exists z)PP\ xz \ \& \ (\forall z)(PP\ zx \Rightarrow PP\ zy)) \Rightarrow P\ xy$

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- Proper parts of  $a$ :  $c_1, c_2$
- Proper parts of  $b$ :  $c_1, c_2$
- $(a, b)$  is not in  $R_p$

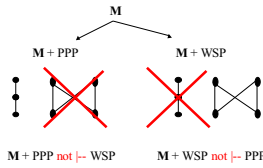
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- Proper parts of  $a$ :  $\{\}$
- Proper parts of  $b$ :  $\{a\}$
- Proper parts of  $c$ :  $\{a, b\}$
- $R_p = \{(a, b), (b, c), (a, c), \dots\}$

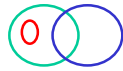
### PPP and WSP are independent



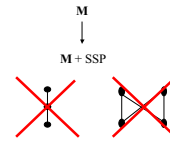
$M + PPP \text{ not } \vdash WSP$        $M + WSP \text{ not } \vdash PPP$

### The strong supplementation principle (SSP)

- If  $x$  is not a part of  $y$  then
  - There exists a  $z$  such that
    - $z$  is a part of  $x$  and
    - $z$  does not overlap  $y$
- $\neg P\ xy \Rightarrow (\exists z)(P\ zx \ \& \ \neg O\ zy)$



### SSP (cont)



Assignment: give truthables that show that these are not models of SSP!

### SSP (cont)

$M + SSP$  rules out:



- The theory formed by  $M + SSP$  is strictly stronger than the theories formed by  $M + WSP$  and  $M + PPP$ 
  - $M + WSP \text{ not } \vdash SSP$
  - $M + PPP \text{ not } \vdash SSP$
- The theory formed by  $M + SSP$  is strictly stronger than the theories formed by  $M + WSP + PPP$ 
  - $M + PPP + WSP \text{ not } \vdash SSP$

### $M + PPP + WSP \text{ not } \vdash SSP$


- Find a structure that is a model of  $M + PPP + WSP$  but not of SSP
- All half-open, half closed intervals of the real line:  $[0,1), [1,2), \dots, (0,1], (1,2]$
- $M + PPP + WSP$  are satisfied:
  - PP interpreted as subset relation among sets  $\subseteq$
  - M is satisfied ( $\subseteq$  is a partial order)
  - If all proper subsets of  $x$  are proper subsets of  $y$  then  $x$  is a subset of  $y$  - therefore PPP holds
  - If  $x \subseteq y$  then there exists a  $z$  such that  $x \cup z = y$  and  $x \cap z = \emptyset$

### $M + PPP + WSP \text{ not } \vdash SSP$

- All half-open, half closed intervals of the real line:  $[0,1), [1,2), \dots, (0,1], (1,2]$
- SSP is NOT satisfied
  - $\neg [0,1] \subseteq (0,1]$
  - $\neg (\exists z)(z \subseteq [0,1] \ \& \ \neg O\ z\ (0,1])$ 
    - How about  $\{0\}$  or  $\{1\}$ ?
    - A singleton set cannot be half open or half closed

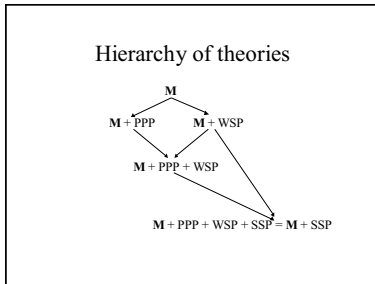
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  - M + WSP **not** ⊢ SSP
  - M + PPP **not** ⊢ SSP
  - M + PPP + WSP **not** ⊢ SSP
- But:
  - M + SSP ⊢ WSP
  - M + SSP ⊢ PPP

Assignment due Sep. 17  
Assignment due Sep. 10



### Extensional mereology - EM

- Axioms
  - M1 P xx
  - M2 P xy & P yx ⇒ x = y
  - M3 P xy & P yz ⇒ P xz
  - SSP -P xy ⇒ (∃z)(P zx & ¬O zy)

### Some theorems of EM

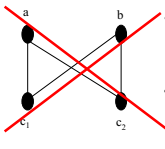
- M+SSP ⊢ (z)(O zx ⇒ O zy) ⇒ P xy
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(z)(O zx ⇒ O zy) ⇒ P xy	
1. ¬P xy ⇒ (∃z)(P zx & ¬O zy)	SSP
2. ¬(∃z)(P zx & ¬O zy) ⇒ ¬¬P xy	1 transp
3. (z)¬(P zx & ¬O zy) ⇒ P xy	2 DN, QN
4. (z)(P zx ⇒ O zy) ⇒ P xy	3 Imp
5. (z)(O zx ⇒ O zy)	ass
6. O zx ⇒ O zy	5 UI
7. P xz ⇒ O xz	Theorem
8. P xz ⇒ O zy	7,6 HS
9. (z)(P xz ⇒ O zy)	8 UG
10. P xy	9, 4 MP
11. (z)(O zx ⇒ O zy) ⇒ P xy	5-10 CP

(∀z)(O zx ⇔ O zy) ⇒ x=y	
1. (∀z)(O zx ⇔ O zy)	ass
2. O zx ⇔ O zy	1 UI
3. O zx ⇒ O zy & O zy ⇒ O zx	2 Eq
4. (∀z)(O zx ⇒ O zy)	(3 simp)UG
5. (z)(O zx ⇒ O zy) ⇒ P xy	Theorem UI
6. P xy	4,5 MP
7. (z)(O zy ⇒ O zx)	(3 simp)UG
8. (z)(O zy ⇒ O zx) ⇒ P xy	Theorem UI
9. P yx	7,8 MP
10. P xy & P yx	6,9 conj
11. x = y	10, M2 MP
12. (∀z)(O zx ⇔ O zy) ⇒ x=y	1- 11 CP

((∃z)PP zx & (∀z)(PP zx ⇔ PP zy)) ⇒ x = y	
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2. (∀z)(PP zx ⇔ PP zy)	1 simp
3. PP zx ⇔ PP zy	2 UI
4. PP zx ⇒ PP zy & PP zy ⇒ PP zx	3 Eq
5. (z)(PP zx ⇒ PP zy)	(4 simp)UG
6. ((∃z)PP zx & (z)(PP zx ⇒ PP zy))	(1 simp),5 conj
7. P xy	6, PPP MP
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11. PP zx & P xy	10, 7 conj
12. PP zy	=11, M3 MP
13. (∃z)PP zy	12 EG
14. (∃z)PP zy & (z)(PP zy ⇒ PP zx)	13, 8 conj
15. P yx	14, PPP MP
16. P xy & P yx	7,15 conj
17. x = y	16, M2 MP
18. ((∃z)PP zx & (∀z)(PP zx ⇔ PP zy)) ⇒ x = y	1-17 CP

### Two distinct entities which share the same proper parts



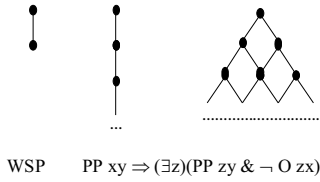
- This cannot be a model of PPP since by PPP we have extensionality of proper parthood:
- Two entities that have the same proper parts must be identical

## Summary

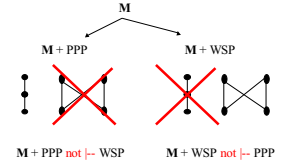
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### Models of ground mereology ruled out by WSP

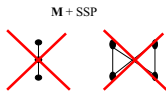


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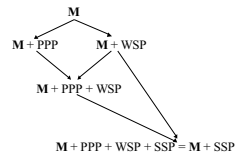


### SSP

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### Hierarchy of theories



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### Some theorems of EM

- $M + SSP \vdash (z)(O\ zx \Rightarrow O\ zy) \Rightarrow P\ xy$
- $M + SSP \vdash x = y \Leftrightarrow (\forall z)(O\ zx \Leftrightarrow O\ zy)$ 
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- $M + PPP \vdash ((\exists z)PP\ zx \ \& \ (\forall z)(PP\ zx \Leftrightarrow PP\ zy)) \Rightarrow x = y$

### Assignments due Sep. 10

- $M \vdash (z)(P\ zx \Leftrightarrow P\ zy) \Leftrightarrow x = y$
- $M \vdash P\ xy \Rightarrow (z)(O\ zx \Rightarrow O\ zy)$
- $M + SSP \vdash PPP$ 
  - fill in the gaps in Simon's proof on pg. 29 of 'Parts'
- Give truthables that show that the given structures are not models Of SSP !