

## Mereology 3

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## Overview

- Summary of last weeks class
- Reasoning using countermodels
- Extensionality
- Finite sums and products
- Arbitrary sums and products

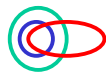
## Ground mereology - M

- 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

## 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** + WSP + SSP  $\vdash$  PPP  
fill in the gaps in Simon's proof on pg. 29 of 'Parts'
- Give truth tables that show that the given structures are not models Of SSP !

$$P xy \& O xz \Rightarrow O yz$$

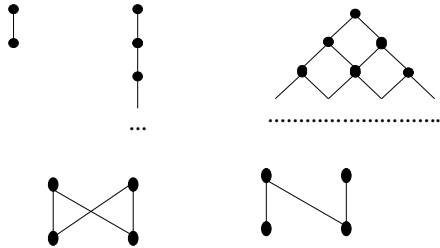


$P xy \& O xz \Rightarrow O yz$		
1.	$P xy \& O xz$	ass
2.	$O xz$	1 simp
3.	$(\exists n)(P nx \& P nz)$	2 D <sub>O</sub>
4.	$P nx \& P nz$	3 EI
5.	$P nx$	4 simp
6.	$P xy$	1 simp
7.	$P nx \& P xy$	5,6 conj
8.	$P nx \& P xy \Rightarrow P ny$	M3 UI
9.	$P ny$	7,8 MP
10.	$P nz$	4 simp
11.	$P ny \& P nz$	9,10 conj
12.	$(\exists n)(P ny \& P nz)$	11 EG
13.	$(\exists n)(P ny \& P nz)$	4-12 EI
14.	$O yz$	13 D <sub>O</sub>
15.	$P xy \& O xz \Rightarrow O yz$	1-14 CP

$$P xy \Rightarrow (z)(O xz \Rightarrow O yz)$$

1.	$P xy$	ass
2.	$O xz$	ass
3.	$P xy \& O xz$	1,2 conj
4.	$P xy \& O xz \Rightarrow O yz$	Theorem
5.	$O yz$	3,4 MP
6.	$O xz \Rightarrow O yz$	2-5 CP
7.	$(z)(O xz \Rightarrow O yz)$	6 UG
8.	$P xy \Rightarrow (z)(O xz \Rightarrow O yz)$	1-7 CP

### Ugly models of ground mereology



### Extending ground mereology

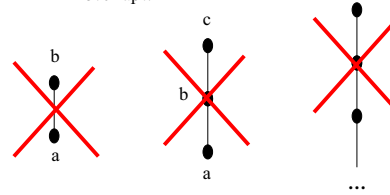
by adding Principles asserting the existence of entities given the existence of other entities

- 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
- Given a set of entities then there exists an entity that is the sum of the entities in that set
- Products, complements, ...

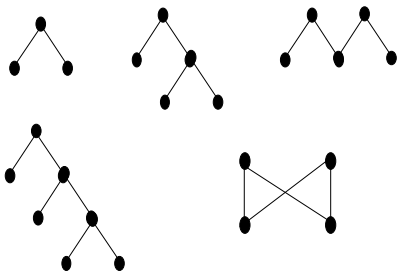
### Weak supplementation principle

WSP:  $PP\ xy \Rightarrow (\exists z)(PP\ zy \ \& \ \neg O\ zx)$

If  $x$  is a proper part of  $y$  then there is a  $z$  which is a proper part of  $y$  and  $z$  does not overlap  $x$

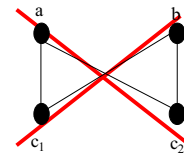


### Models of the WSP




### 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  $y$
- $((\exists z)PP\ zx \ \& \ (\forall z)(PP\ zx \Rightarrow PP\ zy)) \Rightarrow P\ xy$




# Reasoning using counter models

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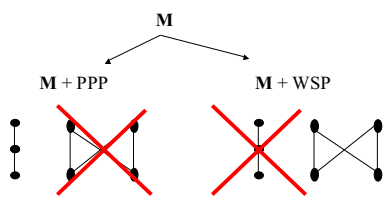


- $\alpha$  is a model of  $M$
- $\alpha$  satisfies all axioms in  $M$
- Also:  $\alpha$  satisfies ALL theorems of  $M$

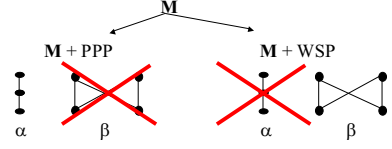


- if  $\alpha$  does NOT satisfy  $\Phi$
- then  $\Phi$  cannot be a theorem of  $M$
- therefore  $\Phi$  cannot be proven from  $M$

## PPP and WSP are independent

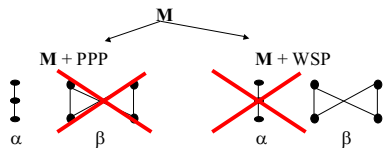


## PPP and WSP are independent (2)



- $\beta$  does NOT satisfy PPP
- $\beta$  does satisfy  $M+WSP$
- therefore PPP cannot be a theorem of  $M+WSP$
- therefore PPP cannot be proven from  $M+WSP$

## PPP and WSP are independent (3)



- $\alpha$  does NOT satisfy WSP
- $\alpha$  does satisfy  $M+PPP$
- therefore WSP cannot be a theorem of  $M+PPP$
- therefore WSP cannot be proven from  $M+PPP$

## Assignments due Sep. 10

- $M \vdash (z)(Pzx \Leftrightarrow Pzy) \Leftrightarrow x = y$
- $M \vdash Pxy \Rightarrow (z)(Ozx \Rightarrow Ozy)$
- $M + WSP + SSP \vdash PPP$

fill in the gaps in Simon's proof on pg. 29 of 'Parts'

- Give truth tables that show that the given structures are not models Of SSP !

SSP

$\neg P xy \Rightarrow (\exists z)(P zx \ \& \ \neg O zy)$

M + SSP

$\neg P xy \Rightarrow (\exists z)(P zx \ \& \ \neg O zy)$

$\neg P ab$	z	$\Rightarrow$	Pza	&	$\neg O zb$
T	a	F	T	F	F

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T	a	F	T	F	F
T	b	F	F	F	F
T	c1	F	T	F	F

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T	a	F	T	F	F
T	b	F	F	F	F
T	c1	F	T	F	F
T	c2	F	T	F	F

$(x)(y)(\neg P xy \Rightarrow (\exists z)(P zx \ \& \ \neg O zy))$

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T	a	F	T	F	F
T	b	F	F	F	F
T	c1	F	T	F	F
T	c2	F	T	F	F

$\neg P xy \Rightarrow (\exists z)(P zx \ \& \ \neg O zy)$

$\neg P ca$	$z$	$\Rightarrow$	$Pzc$	$\&$	$\neg O za$
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T	c	F	T	F	F

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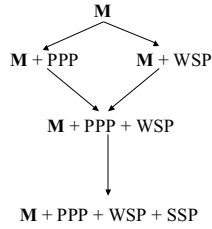
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T	b	F	T	F	F
T	c	F	T	F	F

**SSP**  
 $\neg P xy \Rightarrow (\exists z)(P zx \ \& \ \neg O zy)$   
indeed rules out the models below!

**M + PPP + WSP 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:  $[0,1), [1,2), \dots, (0,1], (1,2]$
- We say last week
  - M + PPP + WSP** are satisfied
  - SSP** is not satisfied
- therefore **SSP** cannot be a theorem of **M+PPP+WSP**
- therefore **SSP** cannot be proven from **M+PPP+WSP**

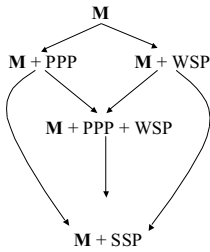
### Hierarchy of theories



### Assignments due Sep. 10

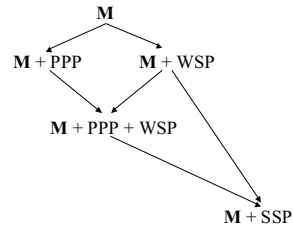
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fill in the gaps in Simon's proof on pg. 29 of 'Parts'
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### Hierarchy of theories



**To prove:**  
 $M+SSP \vdash PPP$   
 $M+SSP \vdash WSP$   
 assignment

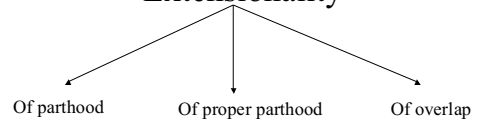
### Hierarchy of theories Simons:



### Simon's proof of $M + SSP \vdash PPP$

- See your handouts ...

### Extensionality



## Extensionality of parthood

- $(z)(Pzx \leftrightarrow Pzy) \leftrightarrow x = y$
- Reflects the view that an object is exhaustively defined by its parts
- Does not commit us to much since parthood includes identity
- Provable using antisymmetry a reflexivity

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$$x = y \Rightarrow (z)(Pzx \leftrightarrow Pzy)$$

1. $x = y$	ass
2. $Pzx$	ass
3. $Pzy$	1,2 Id
4. $Pzx \Rightarrow Pzy$	2-3 CP
5. $Pzy$	ass
6. $Pzx$	1,5 Id
7. $Pzy \Rightarrow Pzx$	5-6 CP
8. $Pzx \Rightarrow Pzy \ \& \ Pzy \Rightarrow Pzx$	4,7 conj
9. $Pzx \leftrightarrow Pzy$	8 Eq
10. $(z)(Pzx \leftrightarrow Pzy)$	9 UG
11. $x = y \Rightarrow (z)(Pzx \leftrightarrow Pzy)$	1-10 CP

$$(z)(Pzx \leftrightarrow Pzy) \Rightarrow x = y$$

1. $(z)(Pzx \leftrightarrow Pzy)$	ass
2. $Pxx \leftrightarrow Pxy$	1 UI
3. $(Pxx \Rightarrow Pxy) \ \& \ (Pxy \Rightarrow Pxx)$	2 Eq
4. $Pxx \Rightarrow Pxy$	3 simp
5. $(x)Pxx$	M1
6. $Pxx$	5 UI
7. $Pxy$	4,6 MP
8. $Pyx \leftrightarrow Pyy$	1 UI
9. $Pyy \Rightarrow Pyx$	(8 Eq) simp
10. $Pyy$	5 UI
11. $Pyx$	9,10 MP
12. $Pxy \ \& \ Pyx$	7, 11 conj
13. $Pxy \ \& \ Pyx \Rightarrow x = y$	M2 UI
14. $x = y$	12,13 MP
15. $(z)(Pzx \leftrightarrow Pzy) \Rightarrow x = y$	1-14 CP

## Extensionality of proper parthood

- $(\exists z)PPzx \ \& \ (z)(PPzx \leftrightarrow PPzy) \leftrightarrow x = y$
- Reflects the view that an object is exhaustively defined by its constituting parts
- Derivable from PPP
- Problems: perduring entities gain and loose parts all the time and yet remain the same thing

$$((\exists z)PPzx \ \& \ (\forall z)(PPzx \leftrightarrow PPzy)) \Rightarrow x = y$$

1. $((\exists z)PPzx \ \& \ (\forall z)(PPzx \leftrightarrow PPzy))$	ass
2. $(\forall z)(PPzx \leftrightarrow PPzy)$	1 simp
3. $PPzx \leftrightarrow PPzy$	2 UI
4. $PPzx \Rightarrow PPzy \ \& \ PPzy \Rightarrow PPzx$	3 Eq
5. $(z)(PPzx \Rightarrow PPzy)$	(4 simp) UG
6. $((\exists z)PPzx \ \& \ (z)(PPzx \Rightarrow PPzy))$	(1 simp),5 conj
7. $Pxy$	6, PPP MP
8. $(z)(Pzy \Rightarrow PPzx)$	(4 simp) UG
9. $(\exists z)PPzx$	1 simp
10. $PPzx$	
11. $PPzx \ \& \ Pxy$	10, 7 conj
12. $PPzy$	$\approx$ 11, M3 MP
13. $(\exists z)PPzy$	12 EG
14. $(\exists z)PPzy \ \& \ (z)(PPzy \Rightarrow PPzx)$	13, 8 conj
15. $Pyx$	14, PPP MP
16. $Pxy \ \& \ Pyx$	7,15 conj
17. $x = y$	16, M2 MP
18. $((\exists z)PPzx \ \& \ (\forall z)(PPzx \leftrightarrow PPzy)) \Rightarrow x = y$	1-17 CP

## Extensionality of overlap

- $(z)(Ozx \leftrightarrow Ozy) \leftrightarrow x = y$
- Reflects the view that two entities are identical if and only if they overlap the same things
- Derivable from SSP
- Problems: perduring entities gain and lose parts – I.e., overlap different objects at different times – and yet remain the same thing

$$(z)(Ozx \Rightarrow Ozy) \Rightarrow Pxy$$

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|--|----------|
| 1. $\neg Pxy \Rightarrow (\exists z)(Pzx \ \& \ \neg Ozy)$         | SSP      |
| 2. $\neg(\exists z)(Pzx \ \& \ \neg Ozy) \Rightarrow \neg\neg Pxy$ | 1 transp |
| 3. $(z)\neg(Pzx \ \& \ \neg Ozy) \Rightarrow Pxy$                  | 2 DN, QN |
| 4. $(z)(Pzx \Rightarrow Ozy) \Rightarrow Pxy$                      | 3 Imp    |
| 5. $(z)(Ozx \Rightarrow Ozy)$                                      | ass      |
| 6. $Ozx \Rightarrow Ozy$   | 5 UI     |
| 7. $Pxz \Rightarrow Oxz$   | Theorem  |
| 8. $Pxz \Rightarrow Ozy$   | 7,6 HS   |
| 9. $(z)(Pxz \Rightarrow Ozy)$                                      | 8 UG     |
| 10. $Pxy$  | 9, 4 MP  |
| 11. $(z)(Ozx \Rightarrow Ozy) \Rightarrow Pxy$                     | 5-10 CP  |

$$(\forall z)(Ozx \leftrightarrow Ozy) \Rightarrow x=y$$

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|--|------------|
| 1. $(\forall z)(Ozx \leftrightarrow Ozy)$                  | ass        |
| 2. $Ozx \leftrightarrow Ozy$                               | 1 UI       |
| 3. $Ozx \Rightarrow Ozy \ \& \ Ozy \Rightarrow Oxz$        | 2 Eq       |
| 4. $(\forall z)(Ozx \Rightarrow Ozy)$                      | (3 simp)UG |
| 5. $(z)(Ozx \Rightarrow Ozy) \Rightarrow Pxy$              | Theorem UI |
| 6. $Pxy$   | 4,5 MP     |
| 7. $(z)(Ozy \Rightarrow Ozx)$                              | (3 simp)UG |
| 8. $(z)(Ozy \Rightarrow Ozx) \Rightarrow Pxy$              | Theorem UI |
| 9. $Pxy$   | 7,8 MP     |
| 10. $Pxy \ \& \ Pxy$                                       | 6,9 conj   |
| 11. $x = y$  | 10, M2 MP  |
| 12. $(\forall z)(Ozx \leftrightarrow Ozy) \Rightarrow x=y$ | 1- 11 CP   |

## Closure principles:

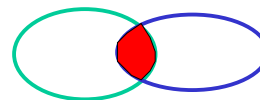
Binary sums, products, differences, and the complement

## 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 overlapping entities then there exists an entity which is the **product** of them and given two entities then there exists an entity which is the **sum** of them
  - Given a set of entities then there exists an entity that is the **sum** of the entities in that set

## Products in set theory

- Remember set theory: the product of the sets **A** and **B** is the set **C** which contains all the elements which are elements of **A** and elements of **B**



Important: for any two sets there is a unique set which is the product



## Products in Mereology

- There is no counterpart to the empty set in mereology
- Therefore a product only exists if two entities overlap
- If the two entities **a** and **b** overlap then the product of **a** and **b** is an entity **c** which is such that for any **w** if **w** is a part of **c** then **w** is part of **a** and part of **b**:  
 $\text{prod}(abc) \equiv (\forall w)(Pwc \Leftrightarrow Pwa \ \& \ Pwb)$

## The binary product axiom

- If two entities **x** and **y** overlap then there exists an entity **z** which is such that whatever is part of **z** is also part of **x** and **y** and vice versa
- $A_{\text{prod}} \quad Oxy \Rightarrow (\forall w)(Pwc \Leftrightarrow Pwa \ \& \ Pwb)$
- $A_{\text{prod}} \quad Oxy \Rightarrow (\exists z) \text{prod}(xyz)$ 
  - This ensures that products for overlappers always exist
  - From extensionality of parthood it follows that that products are **unique**:  
 $\text{prod}(xyz_1) \ \& \ \text{prod}(xyz_2) \Rightarrow z_1=z_2$

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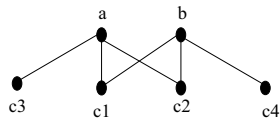
We use:  $(z)(Pzx \Leftrightarrow Pzy) \Leftrightarrow x=y$

1.	$\text{prod}(xyz_1) \ \& \ \text{prod}(xyz_2)$	ass
2.	$\text{prod}(xyz_1)$	1 simp
3.	$Pwz_1 \Leftrightarrow Pwx \ \& \ Pwy$	(2 D <sub>prod</sub> ) UI
4.	$Pwx \ \& \ Pwy \Rightarrow Pwz_1$	(3 Eq) simp
5.	$Pwz_1$	ass
6.	$Pwx \ \& \ Pwy$	4,5 MP
7.	$\text{Prod}(xyz_2)$	1 simp
8.	$Pwz_2 \Leftrightarrow Pwx \ \& \ Pwy$	(7 D <sub>prod</sub> ) UI
9.	$Pwx \ \& \ Pwy \Rightarrow Pwz_2$	(8 Eq) simp
10.	$Pwz_2$	6,9 MP
11.	$Pwz_1 \Rightarrow Pwz_2$	5-10 CP
12.	$Pwz_2$	ass
13.	... like 5-9 above	
14.	$Pwz_1$	
15.	$Pwz_2 \Rightarrow Pwz_1$	12-14 CP
16.	$Pwz_1 \Leftrightarrow Pwz_2$	(11,15 conj) Eq
17.	$(w)(Pwz_1 \Leftrightarrow Pwz_2)$	16 UG
18.	$z_1=z_2$	17, 0 MP
19.	$\text{prod}(xyz_1) \ \& \ \text{prod}(xyz_2) \Rightarrow z_1=z_2$	1-19 CP

## Binary products

- The binary product axiom ensures that if two entities overlap then they have a **product**
- From extensionality of parthood it follows that products are unique when they exist
- Therefore  $\text{prod}(xyz)$  is a partial function and we can write  $z = x * y$

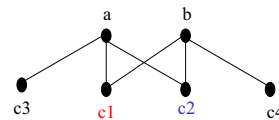
## Another suspicious model:



Satisfies SSP:

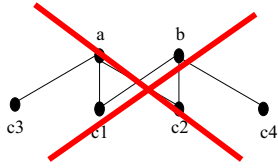
- **a** and **b** are distinct since they have some parts not on common
- $Pc_3a \ \& \ \neg Pc_3b$
- $Pc_4b \ \& \ \neg Pc_4a$

## Another suspicious model (2)



- Problem: Two entities that overlap should have a **unique** product!
- **But:** **c1** and **c2** are **equally good candidates** for the product of **a** and **b**:
  - $(\forall w)Pwc1 \Leftrightarrow Pwa \ \& \ Pwb$ , i.e.,  $\text{prod}(abc1)$
  - $(\forall w)Pwc2 \Leftrightarrow Pwa \ \& \ Pwb$ , i.e.,  $\text{prod}(abc2)$

## The binary product axiom



- Uniqueness of products rules out this model

## The $\iota$ operator

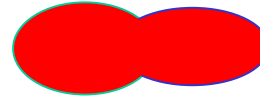
- $a*b \equiv (\iota z)(\forall w)(P wz \Leftrightarrow Pwa \ \& \ Pwb)$
- $(\iota z)$  means that there exists exactly one  $z$
- Russell operator
- $(\iota x)(\Phi x)$  is considered as an entity
  - $z = (\iota x)(\Phi x)$
  - $z$  is identical to the unique  $x$  for which  $\Phi$  holds
- $\Psi(\iota x)(\Phi x) \Leftrightarrow (\exists x) \{ \Phi x \ \& \ (\forall y)(\Phi y \Rightarrow y=x) \ \& \ \Psi x \}$ 
  - $z = (\iota x)(\Phi x)$  is equivalent to  $(\exists x) \{ \Phi x \ \& \ (\forall y)(\Phi y \Rightarrow y=x) \ \& \ x=z \}$

## Stronger axioms

- Use the definition  $a*b \equiv (\iota z)(\forall w)(P wz \Leftrightarrow Pwa \ \& \ Pwb)$
- Write the product axiom as
  - $A_* \quad O xy \Rightarrow (\exists z)(z = x*y)$
- Here the uniqueness of products follows directly from  $A_*$
- SSP becomes derivable (see Simon's proof on pg. 31 of Parts)

## Sum in set theory

- Remember set theory: the sum of the sets **A** and **B** is the set **C** which contains all the elements which are either elements of **A** or elements of **B**



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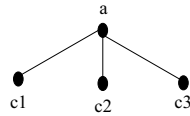
## Sums in Mereology

- Do not always exist since there does not need to exist a universe which is the sum of all entities
- Therefore a sum only exists if two entities underlap
- If the two entities **a** and **b** underlap then the sum of **a** and **b** is an entity **c** which is such that for any **w**: if **w** overlaps **c** then **w** overlaps **a** or **w** overlaps **b** and vice versa:  $\text{sum}(abc) \equiv (\forall w)(O wc \Leftrightarrow O wa \ \text{or} \ O wb)$

## The binary sum axiom

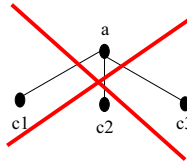
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- $A_{\text{sum}} \quad U xy \Rightarrow (\exists z) \text{sum}(xyz)$ 
  - This ensures that sums for underlappers always exist
  - From extensionality of overlap it follows that that sums are **unique**:  $\text{sum}(xyz_1) \ \& \ \text{sum}(xyz_2) \Rightarrow z_1=z_2$

Again a suspicious (?) model:



Satisfies M, SSP,  $A_{\text{prod}}$

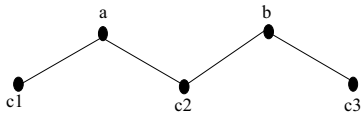
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Ruled out by  $A_{\text{sum}}$ :

- $c_1$  and  $c_2$  underlap but NOT  $\text{sum}(c_1c_2a)$ :
- Not everything that overlaps a also overlaps  $c_1$  or  $c_2$  :  $c_3$

No universe !  
(no entity which all entities as parts)



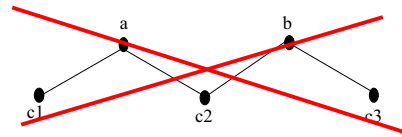
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$U c_1c_2 \Rightarrow \text{sum}(c_1c_2a)$

$U c_2c_3 \Rightarrow \text{sum}(c_2c_3b)$

$O ab \Rightarrow \text{prod}(abc_2)$

The universe exists !



There exists an entity which has all entities of the domain as its parts:

$A_U \quad (\exists y)(\forall x) Pxy$

Consequences of  $(\exists y)(\forall x) Pxy$

- Any two entities in the domain underlap since everything is part of the universe
- The premise in  $U xy \Rightarrow (\exists z) \text{sum}(xyz)$  can be dropped
- In the presence of extensionality we can prove that the universe is **unique**
- The universe then can be defined as  $U \equiv (\iota y)(\forall x) Pxy$

Stronger axioms

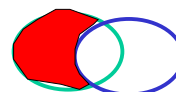
- Use the definition  $a+b \equiv (\iota z)(\forall w)(O wz \Leftrightarrow O wa \text{ or } O wb)$
- Write the sum axiom as  $\neg A_+ \quad U xy \Rightarrow (\exists z)(z = x+y)$
- Here the uniqueness of sums follows directly from  $A_+$

## Strange entities

- Assume the universe exists then we have  
 $(\forall x)(\forall y)(\exists z)(z = x+y)$
- Example sums
  - The sum me and George W.
  - The sum of my nose and the Eiffel Tower
  - The sum of my pen and the number 1

## Set theoretic difference

- Set-theoretical difference of **A** and **B**: is the set **C** which has all elements of **A** which are not elements of **B**



Important: for any two sets there is a unique set which is the sum

## Mereological difference

- **z** is the difference of **a** and **b** iff everything which is part of **z** is also part of **a** but does not overlap **b** and vice versa
- $a - b \equiv (t z)(\forall w)(P w z \leftrightarrow P w a \ \& \ \neg O w b)$

## Remainder principle (RP)

- If **x** is not a part of **y** then there exists a set which is the difference of **x** and **y**
- $\neg P xy \Rightarrow (\exists z)(z = x-y)$
- RP implies SSP
- SSP implies RP ???

### RP $\Rightarrow$ SSP

1.  $\neg P xy$  ass
2.  $(\exists z)(z=x-y)$  1, RP MP
3.  $(\exists z)(w)(P wz \leftrightarrow (P wx \ \& \ \neg Owy))$  2 D.
4.  $(w)(P wz \leftrightarrow (P wx \ \& \ \neg Owy))$
5.  $P zz \Rightarrow (P zx \ \& \ \neg Ozy)$  (4 UI) EQ
6.  $P zx \ \& \ \neg Ozy$  M1, 5 MP
7.  $(\exists z)(P zx \ \& \ \neg Ozy)$  6 EG
8.  $(\exists z)(P zx \ \& \ \neg Ozy)$  3-7 EI
9.  $\neg P xy \Rightarrow (\exists z)(P zx \ \& \ \neg Ozy)$  1-9 CP

## Mereological complement

- The complement of **x** is the entity **z** such that all parts of **z** are disjoint from (do not overlap) **x** and everything that is disjoint from **x** is a part of **z**
- $\sim x \equiv (t z)(\forall w)(P wz \leftrightarrow \neg O wx)$
- Complementation principle
  - $(\exists z)(\neg P zx) \Rightarrow (\exists z)(z=\sim x)$
  - Independent from PPP, WSP, SSP, RP

## 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 overlapping entities then there exists an entity which is the product of them and given two entities then there exists an entity which is the sum of them
  - Given a set of entities then there exists an entity that is the sum of the entities in that set

## Unrestricted fusions

- Allow sums for arbitrary non-empty sets of entities
- Problem: we cannot quantify over sets of entities in a first order theory
- Avoid explicit reference to sets by using *axiom schemata* that involve that involve only predicates of open formulas

## Axiom schemata

- $(\exists x)\varphi(x) \Rightarrow (\exists z)(w)(O wz \Leftrightarrow (\exists x)(\varphi(x) \ \& \ O wx))$ 
  - Abbreviation:  $(\exists x)\varphi(x) \Rightarrow (\exists z) z \text{ Sum } x \ \varphi$
  - $z \text{ Sum } x \ \varphi$  means that  $z$  is the sum of all  $x$  that satisfy  $\varphi$
- $\varphi(x)$  stands for any first order formula in which the variable  $x$  occurs free (not bound by a quantifier)
- Axiom schemata means that for any formula  $\varphi$  the is an axiom ensuring the existence of the sum of the entities satisfying  $\varphi$ .

## Axiom schemata (2)

- Examples for instantiations of  $(\exists x)\varphi(x) \Rightarrow (\exists z) \text{ Sum } x \ \varphi$ 
  - $(\exists x)Pxx \Rightarrow (\exists z) \text{ Sum } x \ Pxx$   
the sum of all entities that are parts of themselves
  - $(\exists x)Pxy \Rightarrow (\exists z) \text{ Sum } x \ Pxy$   
the sum of all entities  $x$  that are part of  $y$
  - $(\exists x)Pyx \Rightarrow (\exists z) \text{ Sum } x \ Pyx$   
the sum of all entities  $x$  of which  $y$  is part of
  - ...

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## Uniqueness of summation

- In the presence of **extensionality of overlap** then sums are **unique**
- $z_1 \text{ Sum } x \ \varphi \ \& \ z_2 \text{ Sum } x \ \varphi \Rightarrow z_1 = z_2$
- Prove this at home

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- $U \equiv \sum z (P zz)$

## More strange entities

- The sum of me and the real numbers
- The sum of all humans and all tables
- ...

## Summary and assignments

## 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

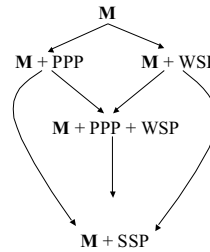
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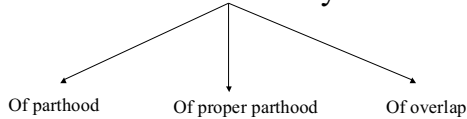
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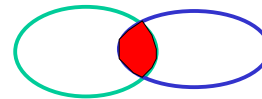


**To prove:**  
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 assignment

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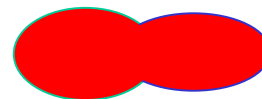
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### Products in Mereology

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 $prod(abc) \equiv (\forall w)(P\ wc \Leftrightarrow P\ wa \ \& \ P\ wb)$

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- $U = \text{Sum } z (P\ zz)$

## Assignments due Wd. 17

- **M+SSP** |-- WSP
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 $\text{sum}(abz_1) \ \& \ \text{sum}(abz_2) \Rightarrow z_1 = z_2$
- Prove the uniqueness of arbitrary sums (assuming extensionality of  $O$ ):  
 $z_1 \text{ Sum } x \ \varphi \ \& \ z_2 \text{ Sum } x \ \varphi \Rightarrow z_1 = z_2$