



Article Aristotelian Diagrams for the Proportional Quantifier 'Most'

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Abstract: In this paper, we study the interaction between the square of opposition for the Aristotelian quantifiers ('all', 'some', 'no', and 'not all') and the square of opposition generated by the proportional quantifier 'most' (in its standard generalized quantifier theory reading of 'more than half'). In a first step, we provide an analysis in terms of bitstring semantics for the two squares independently. The classical square for 'most' involves a tripartition of logical space, whereas the degenerate square for 'all' in first-order logic (FOL) involves a quadripartition, due to FOL's lack of existential import. In a second move, we combine these two squares into an octagon of opposition, which was hitherto unattested in logical geometry, while the meet of the original tri- and quadripartitions yields a hexapartition for this octagon. In a final step, we switch from FOL to a logical system, which does assume existential import. This yields an octagon of the well known Lenzen type, and its bitstring semantics is reduced to a pentapartition.

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1. Introduction

In the framework of logical geometry [1,2], a central object of investigation is the socalled 'Aristotelian square' or 'square of opposition', visualising ARISTOTELIAN RELATIONS, i.e., logical relations of opposition and implication. Two propositions α and β are said to be

a.	contradictory	$CD(\alpha,\beta)$	iff	α and β cannot be true together and
	-			α and β cannot be false together,
b.	contrary	$CR(\alpha,\beta)$	iff	α and β cannot be true together but
				α and β can be false together,
c.	subcontrary	$SCR(\alpha,\beta)$	iff	α and β can be true together but
				α and β cannot be false together,
d.	in subalternation	$SA(\alpha,\beta)$	iff	α entails β but β does not entail α .

An ARISTOTELIAN DIAGRAM (AD, for short) consists of a fragment \mathcal{F} of a language \mathcal{L} , i.e., a subset of formulas of that language, and a logical system S. The formulas in \mathcal{F} are typically assumed to be S-contingent and pairwise non-S-equivalent, and the fragment is standardly also assumed to be closed under negation: if a formula α belongs to \mathcal{F} , then its negation $\neg \alpha$ also belongs to \mathcal{F} . More concretely, an Aristotelian diagram for \mathcal{F} relative to S visualises a vertex- and edge-labeled graph *G*. The vertices of *G* are labeled by the elements of \mathcal{F} , whereas the edges of *G* are labeled by all the Aristotelian relations holding between those elements in S.

The central aim of this paper is to study the interaction between two four-formula fragments that independently yield an AD. The first fragment— \mathcal{F}_{most} —is generated on the basis of the formula *most*(*A*,*B*). On its standard reading in generalized quantifier theory [3,4],



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Copyright: © 2023 by the authors. Licensee MDPI, Basel, Switzerland. This article is an open access article distributed under the terms and conditions of the Creative Commons Attribution (CC BY) license (https:// creativecommons.org/licenses/by/ 4.0/). the proportional quantifier *most* is taken to be equivalent to *more than half*. In other words, the sentence *most A are B* is true iff the number of As that are B is strictly greater than the number of As that are not B. Starting from this basic formula most(A,B), we can then negate either the complete formula, or the predicate B, or both. This yields the fragment \mathcal{F}_{most} , which is listed here, together with the formulas' denotations in the standard set-theoretical notation format of GQT:

\mathcal{F}_{most}	:=	{	most(A,B),		$ A \cap B > A \setminus B $
			¬most(A,B),		$ A \cap B \le A \setminus B $
			most(A,¬B),		$ A \cap B < A \setminus B $
			$\neg most(A, \neg B)$	}	$ A \cap B \ge A \setminus B $

Completely analogously, the second fragment— \mathcal{F}_{all} — contains the four Aristotelian quantifiers [5], which are listed below, together with their denotations in GQT format and with equivalent formulations that clearly exhibit how this fragment is generated on the basis of *all*(*A*,*B*):

F _{all}	:=	{	all(A,B),		$ A \setminus B = 0$	all(A,B)
			not all(A,B),		$ A \setminus B > 0$	$\neg all(A,B)$
			no(A,B),		$ A \cap B = 0$	all(A,¬B)
			some(A,B)	}	$ A \cap B > 0$	¬all(A,¬B)

In the past, authors such as Peterson [6,7], Brown [8], Veloso and Veloso [9], and Murinová and Novák [10,11] have already proposed Aristotelian diagrams for *most* (and other modulated/intermediate/generalized quantifiers). However, in the present paper, we will study these diagrams from the specific perspective of logical geometry, focusing (inter alia) on the partitions of logical space that are induced by such diagrams.

The paper is organised as follows. In a first major step, the two fragments \mathcal{F}_{most} and \mathcal{F}_{all} are analysed independently of one another by distinguishing the two radically different ADs that they give rise to in first-order logic (FOL), i.c., a classical square for 'most' versus a degenerate square for 'all' (Section 2.1), and by computing the corresponding bitstring semantics in terms of a tripartition versus a quadripartition of logical space (Section 2.2). Notice that, by analysing \mathcal{F}_{most} in FOL, we do not mean to suggest that most(A,B) is firstorder definable—which it famously is not [3]—but, merely, wish to emphasise that we are working in a logical system without existential import, in which the predicates A and B are thus allowed to have empty extensions. In a second move, the two fragments \mathcal{F}_{most} and \mathcal{F}_{all} are combined into the eight-formula fragment $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$. The AD for $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ relative to FOL is an octagon hitherto unattested in logical geometry (Section 3.1), with bitstring semantics involving a hexapartition of logical space (Section 3.2). In a final step, we switch from FOL—which does not assume existential import—to a new logical system, SYL (from 'syllogistics')—which does assume existential import. The AD for $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ relative to SYL is another octagon, this time of the familiar Lenzen type (Section 4.1), with a pentapartition for its bitstring semantics (Section 4.2). We finish off with some concluding remarks and issues for further research (Section 5).

2. Aristotelian Squares for 'Most' versus 'All'

2.1. Aristotelian Relations for 'Most' versus 'All'

The definitions of the Aristotelian relations and the characterisation of the fragment \mathcal{F}_{most} in Section 1 give rise to the so-called CLASSICAL ARISTOTELIAN SQUARE in Figure 1, which uses the by now standard graphical conventions: two *contradiction* (CD) relations on the diagonals, two *subalternation* (SA) relations on the vertical edges, and one *contrariety* (CR) and one *subcontrariety* (SCR) relation on the horizontal edges. Note, furthermore, that (positive occurrences of) the proportional quantifier *most* always have existential import: even in FOL, *most A are B* entails that there is at least one A (semantically: $|A \cap B| > |A \setminus B|$ entails $|A \cap B| > 0$, and hence |A| > 0). (However, the negated quantifier *not most* lacks existential import: *not most A are B* is true in case there are no A's, i.e., if |A| = 0 then

 $|A \cap B| = 0 \le 0 = |A \setminus B|$.) The Aristotelian quantifiers *all* and *no*, by contrast, lack existential import in FOL: neither *all A are B* nor *no A are B* entails in FOL that there is at least one A. The resulting constellation is the so-called DEGENERATE ARISTOTELIAN SQUARE for \mathcal{F}_{all} in Figure 2, sometimes also referred to as an 'X of opposition' [12].



Figure 1. Classical Aristotelian square for the proportional quantifier 'most', relative to FOL.





In such a degenerate square, only the two *contradiction* (CD) relations on the diagonals remain, i.e., there is no *contrariety* (C) between *all* and *no*, no *subcontrariety* (SC) between *some* and *not all*, and no *subalternation* (SA) from *all* to *some*, nor from *no* to *not all*. The four pairs of formulas on the outer edge of the square are said to be UNCONNECTED, i.e., they stand in no Aristotelian relation whatsoever.

Finally, it bears emphasising that the squares for \mathcal{F}_{most} and \mathcal{F}_{all} are both DUALITY SQUARES, as well. For example, in Figure 1, we observe that most(A,B) and $\neg most(A,\neg B)$ are dual to each other, just like all(A,B) and $some(A,B) = \neg all(A,\neg B)$ are dual to each other in Figure 2. The fact that a classical and a degenerate Aristotelian square are both duality squares clearly illustrates the conceptual independence between the Aristotelian relations on the one hand, and the duality relations on the other. This issue has been studied extensively in logical geometry [13–15]. However, we will not pursue it further in this paper, but focus exclusively on the Aristotelian relations that hold among the formulas of \mathcal{F}_{most} and \mathcal{F}_{all} .

2.2. Bitstring Semantics for 'Most' versus 'All'

Bitstring semantics is a technique developed within the research framework of logical geometry [1,16–18], which allows us to systematically compute combinatorial representations of a given number of propositions, thus providing a concrete grip on their logical behavior. Given a logical system S and fragment \mathcal{F} , we first compute the PARTITION induced by \mathcal{F} in S, denoted $\Pi_{S}(\mathcal{F})$, as follows:

$$\Pi_{\mathsf{S}}(\mathcal{F}) := \{\bigwedge_{\varphi \in \mathcal{F}} \pm \varphi \mid \bigwedge_{\varphi \in \mathcal{F}} \pm \varphi \text{ is S-consistent}\},\$$

where $+\varphi = \varphi$ and $-\varphi = \neg \varphi$. The fragment \mathcal{F}_{most} defined in Section 1 can be shown to induce the following partition in FOL:

$\Pi_{FOL}(\mathcal{F}_{most})$	=	{	α_1 : more than half (A,B),		$ A \cap B > A \setminus B $
			α_2 : exactly half (A,B),		$ A \cap B = A \setminus B $
			α_3 : less than half (A,B)	}	$ A \cap B < A \setminus B $

The elements of a partition, which are called ANCHOR FORMULAS, are (i) jointly exhaustive, that is, $\models_S \lor \Pi_S(\mathcal{F})$, and (ii) mutually exclusive, that is, $\models_S \neg(\alpha \land \beta)$ for distinct $\alpha, \beta \in$

 $\Pi_{\mathsf{S}}(\mathcal{F})$; for example, the tripartition of logical space $\Pi_{\mathsf{FOL}}(\mathcal{F}_{most})$ consists of the three anchor formulas $\alpha_1 \equiv most(A,B) \land \neg most(A,\neg B)$, $\alpha_2 \equiv \neg most(A,B) \land \neg most(A,\neg B)$, and $\alpha_3 \equiv most(A,\neg B) \land \neg most(A,B)$, the remaining three conjunctions— $most(A,B) \land most(A,\neg B)$, $most(A,B) \land \neg most(A,B)$, and $most(A,\neg B) \land \neg most(A,\neg B)$ —being inconsistent. Finally, note that α_1 and α_3 both entail |A| > 0, whereas α_2 holds even in case |A| = 0.

In a second step, the bitstring semantics is defined, not just for the fragment \mathcal{F} itself, but rather for its entire BOOLEAN CLOSURE in S, denoted $\mathbb{B}_{S}(\mathcal{F})$ and defined as the smallest set $C \subseteq \mathcal{L}_{S}$, such that (i) $\mathcal{F} \subseteq C$ and (ii) C is closed under the Boolean operations (up to logical equivalence), i.e., for all $\varphi, \psi \in C$, there exist $\alpha, \beta \in C$ such that $\alpha \equiv_{S} \varphi \land \psi$ and $\beta \equiv_{S} \neg \varphi$. The bitstring semantics $\beta_{S}^{\mathcal{F}} \colon \mathbb{B}_{S}(\mathcal{F}) \to \{0,1\}^{|\Pi_{S}(\mathcal{F})|}$ maps every formula $\varphi \in \mathbb{B}_{S}(\mathcal{F})$ onto its bitstring representation $\beta_{S}^{\mathcal{F}}(\varphi)$, which is a sequence of $|\Pi_{S}(\mathcal{F})|$ bits that will have the value 1 in its *i*th bit position iff $\models_{S} \alpha_{i} \to \varphi$. Given that $|\Pi_{FOL}(\mathcal{F}_{most})| = 3$, the BITSTRING SEMANTICS β_{FOL}^{most} for $\mathbb{B}_{FOL}(\mathcal{F}_{most})$ is defined in terms of bitstrings of length three. In particular, the resulting bitstrings for the formulas of \mathcal{F}_{most} are:

$\beta_{FOL}^{most}(most(A,B))$	=	100	$ A \cap B > A \setminus B $
$\beta_{FOL}^{most}(\neg most(A, B))$	=	011	$ A \cap B \le A \setminus B $
$\beta_{FOL}^{most}(most(A, \neg B))$	=	001	$ A \cap B < A \setminus B $
$\beta_{FOI}^{most}(\neg most(A, \neg B))$	=	110	$ A \cap B \ge A \setminus B $

Let us now turn to the partition induced by the second fragment that was introduced in Section 1, namely, \mathcal{F}_{all} :

 $\Pi_{\mathsf{FOL}}(\mathcal{F}_{all}) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \alpha_1': \text{ all } A \text{ are } B \& \text{ there are } A's, \\ \alpha_2': \text{ some but not all } A \text{ are } B, \\ \alpha_3': \text{ no } A \text{ are } B \& \text{ there are } A's, \\ \alpha_4': \text{ there are no } A's \end{array} \right. \begin{array}{ll} |A \setminus B| = 0 \& |A| > 0 \\ |A \setminus B| > 0 \& |A \cap B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = 0 \& |A| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = 0 \& |A| > 0 \\ |A| = 0 \end{array}$

In contrast to the tripartition $\Pi_{FOL}(\mathcal{F}_{most})$ above, the quadripartition of logical space $\Pi_{FOL}(\mathcal{F}_{all})$ consists of the four anchor formulas $\alpha'_1, \alpha'_2, \alpha'_3$ and α'_4 . Crucially, the fourth anchor formula α'_4 takes care of the lack of existential import with the Aristotelian quantifiers in FOL: both the formulas *all A are B* and *no A are B* make perfect sense—they are true in fact—if there are no As. As a consequence, the bitstring semantics β^{all}_{FOL} for $\mathbb{B}_{FOL}(\mathcal{F}_{all})$ is defined in terms of bitstrings of length four. In particular, the resulting bitstrings for the formulas of \mathcal{F}_{all} are as follows:

$\beta_{FOL}^{all}(all(A,B))$	=	1001	$ A \setminus B = 0$
$\beta_{FOL}^{all}(not \ all(A, B))$	=	0110	$ A\setminus B >0$
$\beta_{FOL}^{all}(no(A,B))$	=	0011	$ A\cap B =0$
$\beta_{FOI}^{all}(some(A,B))$	=	1100	$ A \cap B > 0$

Observe that the β_{FOL}^{all} -bitstrings for both all(A,B) and no(A,B) have a value 1 in their fourth bit position—these formulas are true if there are no As, i.e., they do *not* have existential import in FOL—whereas those for *not* all(A,B) and some(A,B) have a value 0 in their fourth bit position—these formulas are false if there are no As, i.e., they *do* have existential import. The two ADs in Figures 3 and 4—which are the respective counterparts of Figures 1 and 2, but with the bitstring representations added—nicely reflect the standard result from logical geometry that a classical square only requires bitstrings of length 3, whereas a degenerate square requires bitstrings of length 4 [1].



Figure 3. Classical square with bitstrings of length 3 for \mathcal{F}_{most} , relative to FOL.



Figure 4. Degenerate square with bitstrings of length 4 for \mathcal{F}_{all} , relative to FOL.

3. A First Aristotelian Octagon for 'Most' and 'All'

Having provided the ADs and the bitstring semantics for the two four-formula fragments \mathcal{F}_{most} and \mathcal{F}_{all} independently in the previous section, we now continue working in FOL, and combine these two fragments into one large eight-formula fragment $\mathcal{F}_{allmost} := \mathcal{F}_{all} \cup \mathcal{F}_{most}$, whose formulas are listed again below, together with their denotations in GQT format:

$\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$	=	{	all(A,B),		$ A \setminus B = 0$
			no(A,B),		$ A \cap B = 0$
			most(A,B),		$ A \cap B > A \setminus B $
			most(A,¬B),		$ A \cap B < A \setminus B $
			$\neg most(A, \neg B),$		$ A \cap B \ge A \setminus B $
			¬most(A,B),		$ A \cap B \le A \setminus B $
			some(A,B),		$ A \cap B > 0$
			¬all(A,B)	}	$ A \setminus B > 0$

In Section 3.1 we will first of all look at the Aristotelian relations holding among the eight formulas of this new fragment $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ and the octagonal AD that these relations give rise to in FOL. In Section 3.2, we will then compute the partition induced by $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ in FOL and consider the resulting bitstring semantics in full detail.

3.1. Aristotelian Relations in the First Octagon

The first, and perhaps the most obvious type of additional Aristotelian relations that show up in $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ are relations of subalternation between one formula from the classical square and one formula from the degenerate square. The first two SA relations given below go from a formula in \mathcal{F}_{most} to a formula in \mathcal{F}_{all} , whereas the last two SA relations go from \mathcal{F}_{all} to \mathcal{F}_{most} . Next to each subalternation, we have also added its semantic justification in GQT format.

SA[most(A,B),	some(A,B)]	$\text{if } A \cap B > A \setminus B $	then $ A \cap B > 0$
SA[most(A,¬B),	¬all(A,B)]	$\text{if } A \cap B < A \setminus B $	then $ A \setminus B > 0$
SA[all(A,B),	$\neg most(A, \neg B)$]	if $ A \setminus B = 0$	then $ A \cap B \ge A \setminus B $
SA[no(A,B),	$\neg most(A,B)$]	$if A \cap B = 0$	then $ A \cap B \leq A \setminus B $

These four SA relations allow us to interlock the two squares from Figures 1 and 2 into the octagonal AD in Figure 5. This octagon furthermore yields two additional contrariety relations (CR) and two additional subcontrariety relations (SCR) between a formula from \mathcal{F}_{most} and a formula from \mathcal{F}_{all} , namely:

CR[all(A,B),	most(A,¬B)]	CR[most(A,B),	no(A,B)]
SCR[$\neg most(A, \neg B),$	\neg all(A,B)]	SCR[some(A,B),	$\neg most(A,B)$]



Figure 5. Octagon for $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$, relative to FOL.

Hence, in addition to the original classical square for \mathcal{F}_{most} , the octagonal AD in Figure 5 also contains two further classical squares. We will refer to these two as MIXED SQUARES, since they consist of two formulas from \mathcal{F}_{most} and two formulas from \mathcal{F}_{all} . The three classical squares embedded in Figure 5 visualise the following three subfragments of $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$:

$\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square1}$:=		\mathcal{F}_{most}				
$\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square2}$:=	{	all(A,B),	most(A,¬B),	$\neg most(A, \neg B),$	\neg all(A,B)	}
$\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square3}$:=	{	most(A,B),	no(A,B),	some(A,B),	$\neg most(A,B)$	}

The original classical square for $\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square1}$ sits horizontally stretched inside the octagon in Figure 5. The mixed classical square for $\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square2}$ is tilted 22.5° clockwise in Figure 5; it comprises the second and third additional SA relations mentioned above, together with the additional (S)CR relations on the left. Finally, the mixed classical square for $\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square3}$ is tilted 22.5° counterclockwise in Figure 5, and comprises the first and fourth additional SA relations and the additional (S)CR relations on the right.

Completely analogously, we now observe that, in addition to the original degenerate square for \mathcal{F}_{all} , the octagonal AD in Figure 5 also contains two further mixed degenerate squares. These three degenerate squares embedded in Figure 5 visualise the following subfragments of $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$:

$\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square4}$:=		\mathcal{F}_{all}				
$\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square5}$:=	{	most(A,B),	all(A,B),	$\neg all(A,B)$,	$\neg most(A,B)$	}
$\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square6}$:=	{	no(A,B),	most(A,¬B),	$\neg most(A, \neg B),$	some(A,B)	}

The original degenerate square $\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square4}$ sits vertically stretched inside the octagon in Figure 5, whereas the two mixed squares— $\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square5}$ and $\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square6}$ —are again tilted 45° counterclockwise and clockwise, respectively.

It is important to stress that, although this type of Aristotelian octagon—containing three classical and three degenerate squares—was known in theory as one of the 18 families of Aristotelian octagons, the AD in Figure 5 can be considered the first 'non-artificial' instance of this family. (In a completely different application context, Frijters [19] has recently found another instance of this family.) Furthermore, this AD naturally fits into a series of families of octagons in which the number of degenerate squares increases from *zero* (with the families of Moretti and Lenzen octagons [20,21]) over *one* (with the families of Béziau and Buridan octagons [22–24]) and *two* (with the family of Keynes-Johnson octagons [25,26]) to *three* (with the family to which $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ in Figure 5 belongs).

3.2. Bitstring Semantics for the First Octagon

In order to compute the bitstring semantics for $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ in FOL, we start from the two basic partitions computed in Section 2.2 for \mathcal{F}_{most} and \mathcal{F}_{all} , which are repeated here for the sake of convenience:

$\Pi_{FOL}(\mathcal{F}_{most})$	=	{	α_1 : more than half (A,B), α_2 : exactly half (A,B), α_3 : less than half (A,B)	}	$\begin{split} A \cap B &> A \setminus B \\ A \cap B &= A \setminus B \\ A \cap B &< A \setminus B \end{split}$
$\Pi_{FOL}(\mathcal{F}_{all})$	=	{	α'_1 : all A are B & there are A's, α'_2 : some but not all A are B, α'_3 : no A are B & there are A's, α'_4 : there are no A's	}	$ A \setminus B = 0 \& A > 0$ A \ B > 0 & A \ B > 0 A \ B = 0 & A > 0 A = 0

We now compute $\Pi_{\text{FOL}}(\mathcal{F}_{allmost})$ by taking the meet of these two original partitions, i.e., $\Pi_{\text{FOL}}(\mathcal{F}_{allmost}) := \Pi_{\text{FOL}}(\mathcal{F}_{most}) \wedge_{\text{FOL}} \Pi_{\text{FOL}}(\mathcal{F}_{all})$, which consists of all FOL-consistent conjunctions $\alpha_i \wedge \alpha'_j$ of an anchor formula $\alpha_i \in \Pi_{\text{FOL}}(\mathcal{F}_{most})$ and an anchor formula $\alpha'_j \in$ $\Pi_{\text{FOL}}(\mathcal{F}_{all})$ (for more details, see [1]). This initially yields $|\Pi_{\text{FOL}}(\mathcal{F}_{most})| \times |\Pi_{\text{FOL}}(\mathcal{F}_{all})| =$ $3 \times 4 = 12$ conjunctions. After elimination of the FOL-inconsistent conjunctions—such as $\alpha_3 \wedge \alpha'_1$, where $|A \setminus B|$ cannot simultaneously be equal to and strictly greater that zero—we obtain the following hexapartition:

$$\begin{split} \Pi_{\mathsf{FOL}}(\mathcal{F}_{allmost}) = & \{ \begin{array}{cc} \alpha_1'': \text{ all A are B and there are A's,} \\ \alpha_2'': \text{ most but not all A's are B,} \\ \alpha_3'': \text{ exactly half the A's are B,} \\ \alpha_4'': \text{ most but not all A's are not B,} \\ \alpha_5'': \text{ no A's are B, but there are A's,} \\ \alpha_6'': \text{ there are no A's} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} |A \cap B| > |A \setminus B| = 0 \\ |A \cap B| > |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| \\ |A \cap B| \\ |A \cap B| = |A \cap B| \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| \\ |A \cap B|$$

Given this partition, the bitstring semantics $\beta_{\text{FOL}}^{allmost}$ for $\mathbb{B}_{\text{FOL}}(\mathcal{F}_{allmost})$ is defined in terms of bitstrings of length six. In particular, the resulting bitstrings for the formulas of $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ are as follows:

$\beta_{FOL}^{allmost}(all(A, B))$	=	100001	$ A \setminus B = 0$
$\beta_{FOL}^{allmost}(no(A,B))$	=	000011	$ A \cap B = 0$
$\beta_{FOL}^{allmost}(most(A,B))$	=	110000	$ A \cap B > A \setminus B $
$\beta_{FOL}^{allmost}(most(A, \neg B))$	=	000110	$ A \cap B < A \setminus B $
$\beta_{FOL}^{allmost}(\neg most(A, \neg B))$	=	111001	$ A \cap B \ge A \setminus B$
$\beta_{FOL}^{allmost}(\neg most(A,B))$	=	001111	$ A \cap B \le A \setminus B$
$\beta_{FOL}^{allmost}(some(A,B))$	=	111100	$ A \cap B > 0$
$\beta_{FOL}^{allmost}(not \ all(A, B))$	=	011110	$ A \setminus B > 0$

Observe, once again, that the $\beta_{FOL}^{allmost}$ -bitstrings for all(A,B) and no(A,B) have a value 1 in their sixth bit position—these formulas are true if there are no A's, i.e., they do not have existential import in FOL. Finally, the AD in Figure 6 is the counterpart of Figure 5, with the bitstring representations added to it.



Figure 6. Octagon with bitstrings of length 6 for $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$, relative to FOL.

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4. A Second Aristotelian Octagon for 'Most' and 'All'

At this point, we want to switch from FOL—which does not assume existential import to a new logical system, SYL—which does assume existential import, i.e., it only assigns non-empty sets as extensions of unary predicates. This switch does not fundamentally affect the semantics of \mathcal{F}_{most} , and hence the classical square from Figure 3 and the induced partition remain unchanged—i.e., $\Pi_{SYL}(\mathcal{F}_{most}) = \Pi_{FOL}(\mathcal{F}_{most})$. (Note, however, that the interpretation of the anchor formula α_2 changes slightly upon moving from FOL to SYL: relative to FOL, situations in which |A| = 0 are taken into consideration, and α_2 is said to be true in them; however, relative to SYL, such situations are no longer considered to begin with.) By contrast, the semantics of \mathcal{F}_{all} is quite different from before; relative to SYL, it now looks as follows (in GQT format):

$$\mathcal{F}_{all} = \{ \begin{array}{cc} all(A,B), & |A \setminus B| = 0 \& |A| > 0 \\ \neg all(A,B), & |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ no(A,B), & |A \cap B| = 0 \& |A| > 0 \\ some(A,B) & \} & |A \cap B| > 0 \end{array}$$

This fragment induces the following partition in SYL:

$$\Pi_{\mathsf{SYL}}(\mathcal{F}_{all}) = \{ \begin{array}{ll} \alpha'_1: \text{ all A are B \& there are A's,} \\ \alpha'_2: \text{ some but not all A are B,} \\ \alpha'_3: \text{ no A are B \& there are A's} \\ \end{array} \} \begin{array}{ll} |A \setminus B| = 0 \& |A| > 0 \\ |A \setminus B| > 0 \& |A \cap B| > 0 \\ \|A \cap B\| = 0 \& |A| > 0 \\ \|A \cap B\| = 0 \& |A| > 0 \\ \end{array}$$

When we compare $\Pi_{SYL}(\mathcal{F}_{all})$ with $\Pi_{FOL}(\mathcal{F}_{all})$ from before, we note that the anchor formulas α'_1 , α'_2 and α'_3 have remained the same, whereas α'_4 is no longer present, because it has gone from FOL-consistent to SYL-inconsistent. As a consequence, the bitstring semantics β^{all}_{SYL} for $\mathbb{B}_{SYL}(\mathcal{F}_{all})$ is defined in terms of bitstrings of length three, since the fourth bit position from the β^{all}_{FOL} -bitstrings has been deleted. In particular, the resulting bitstrings for the formulas of \mathcal{F}_{all} are given as follows:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \beta_{\mathsf{SYL}}^{all}(all(A,B)) &= & \mathbf{100} & |A \setminus B| = 0 \& |A| > 0 \\ \beta_{\mathsf{SYL}}^{all}(\neg all(A,B)) &= & \mathbf{011} & |A \setminus B| > 0 \\ \beta_{\mathsf{SYL}}^{all}(no(A,B)) &= & \mathbf{001} & |A \cap B| = 0 \& |A| > 0 \\ \beta_{\mathsf{SYL}}^{all}(some(A,B)) &= & \mathbf{110} & |A \cap B| > 0 \end{array}$$

This move from the quadripartition $\Pi_{\text{FOL}}(\mathcal{F}_{all})$ to the tripartition $\Pi_{\text{SYL}}(\mathcal{F}_{all})$ has important consequences for the Aristotelian relations in \mathcal{F}_{all} . In particular, in addition to the two contradiction relations on the diagonals in Figure 7, \mathcal{F}_{all} also has the vertical subalternation arrows from *all* to *some* and from *no* to *not all*, as well as the horizontal contrariety between *all* and *no* and the horizontal subcontrariety between *some* and *not all*. In other words, we move from the degenerate square for \mathcal{F}_{all} relative to FOL in Figure 4 with bitstrings of length 4—to the classical square for \mathcal{F}_{all} relative to SYL in Figure 7—with bitstrings of length 3. This contrast between a degenerate and a classical square is the standard example of the LOGIC-SENSITIVITY of Aristotelian diagrams, which is a well known phenomenon in logical geometry [1,27,28]: although we are dealing with one and the same fragment \mathcal{F}_{all} , this fragment gives rise to very different ADs relative to different logical systems (FOL versus SYL).



Figure 7. Classical square with bitstrings of length 3 for \mathcal{F}_{all} , relative to SYL.

In Section 3 we combined \mathcal{F}_{most} and \mathcal{F}_{all} into the eight-formula fragment $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$, and studied it relative to FOL. We now return to $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$, and study it relative to SYL. As expected, the semantics (in GQT format) looks different from before:

$\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$	=	{	all(A,B),		$ A \setminus B = 0 \& A > 0$
			no(A,B),		$ A \cap B = 0 \& A > 0$
			most(A,B),		$ A \cap B > A \setminus B $
			most(A,¬B),		$ A \cap B < A \setminus B $
			$\neg most(A, \neg B),$		$ A \cap B \ge A \setminus B $
			¬most(A,B),		$ A \cap B \le A \setminus B $
			some(A,B),		$ A \cap B > 0$
			$\neg all(A,B)$	}	$ A \setminus B > 0$

In Section 4.1, we will first of all look at the Aristotelian relations holding among the eight formulas of the fragment $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ and the octagonal AD that these relations give rise to in SYL. In Section 4.2, we will compute the partition induced by $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ in SYL and consider the resulting bitstring semantics in full detail.

4.1. Aristotelian Relations in the Second Octagon

When we interlock the two classical squares for \mathcal{F}_{most} and \mathcal{F}_{all} from Figures 3 and 7, we obtain the octagonal AD in Figure 8. Comparing this octagon for $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ in SYL to the octagon for $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ in FOL given in Figure 5, we observe that the former contains six additional subalternation relations. Two of them, of course, come from \mathcal{F}_{all} being a classical square in SYL instead of a degenerate one. The remaining four resemble the ones given at the beginning of Section 3.1, in that they hold between one formula from \mathcal{F}_{most} and one formula from \mathcal{F}_{all} :



Figure 8. Octagon for $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$, relative to SYL.

Moving from $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ in FOL (Figure 5) to $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ in SYL (Figure 8), we also get three additional contrariety relations and three additional subcontrariety relations. Again, one of each is due to \mathcal{F}_{all} being a classical square in SYL, whereas the remaining two pairs hold between one formula from \mathcal{F}_{most} and one formula from \mathcal{F}_{all} :

CR[all(A,B),	$\neg most(A,B)$]	CR[$\neg most(A, \neg B),$	no(A,B)]
SCR[most(A,B),	$\neg all(A,B)$]	SCR[some(A,B),	most(A,¬B)]

The fundamental differences in overall Aristotelian constellations between the two octagonal ADs can be summarised as follows:

relations in $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$	relative to FOL	relative to SYL
contradiction	4	4
contrariety	3	6
subcontrariety	3	6
subalternation	6	12
unconnectedness	12	0
total $\left(\frac{8\times7}{2}\right)$	28	28

All twelve pairs of formulas which are unconnected—i.e., stand in no Aristotelian relation whatsoever—in FOL and which thus characterise the three degenerate squares embedded in the octagon in Figure 6, turn out to stand in a (proper) relation of (sub)contrariety or subalternation in SYL. In other words, the octagonal AD in Figure 8 no longer contains any degenerate squares, and instead consists of six classical squares, which visualise the six subfragments of $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ that we already encountered before:

$\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square1}$	=		\mathcal{F}_{most}				
$\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square2}$	=	{	all(A,B),	most(A,¬B),	$\neg most(A, \neg B),$	¬all(A,B)	}
$\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square3}$	=	{	most(A,B),	no(A,B),	some(A,B),	¬most(A,B)	}
$\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square4}$	=		\mathcal{F}_{all}				
$\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square5}$	=	{	most(A,B),	all(A,B),	\neg all(A,B),	$\neg most(A,B)$	}
$\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square6}$	=	{	no(A,B),	most(A,¬B),	$\neg most(A, \neg B)$,	some(A,B)	}

The first two mixed squares (i.e., consisting of two formulas from \mathcal{F}_{most} and two formulas from \mathcal{F}_{all}), namely, $\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square2}$ and $\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square3}$, are identical relative to FOL and to SYL: in both systems they are classical squares. (In this sense, they also resemble $\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square1} = \mathcal{F}_{most}$.) By contrast, the last two mixed squares, namely, $\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square5}$ and $\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square6}$, are degenerate squares relative to FOL, but classical squares relative to SYL. (In this sense, they also resemble $\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square6}$ are degenerate squares relative to FOL, but classical squares relative to SYL. (In this sense, they also resemble $\mathcal{F}_{allmost-square4} = \mathcal{F}_{all}$.)

Notice that with the octagonal AD in Figure 8—consisting of six interlocking classical squares, but no degenerate squares—we return to a well documented family of octagons, namely, the so-called Lenzen octagon [20]. Furthermore, this contrast between the two families of octagons (Figure 5 versus Figure 8) constitutes a more complex and rich illustration of the logic sensitivity of Aristotelian diagrams: once again, we are dealing with a single fragment, $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$, which gives rise to very different ADs relative to different logical systems (FOL versus SYL).

4.2. Bitstring Semantics for the Second Octagon

In order to compute the bitstring semantics for $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ in SYL, we start from the two tripartitions that we calculated for \mathcal{F}_{most} and \mathcal{F}_{all} in SYL, which we repeat here for the sake of convenience:

$\Pi_{SYL}(\mathcal{F}_{most})$	=	{	α_1 : more than half (A,B), α_2 : exactly half (A,B), α_3 : less than half (A,B)	}	$\begin{split} A \cap B &> A \setminus B \\ A \cap B &= A \setminus B \\ A \cap B &< A \setminus B \end{split}$
$\Pi_{SYL}(\mathcal{F}_{all})$	=	{	α'_1 : all A are B & there are A's, α'_2 : some but not all A are B, α'_3 : no A are B & there are A's,	}	$\begin{split} A \setminus B &= 0 \& A > 0 \\ A \setminus B > 0 \& A \cap B > 0 \\ A \cap B &= 0 \& A > 0 \end{split}$

We now take the meet of these two partitions, i.e., $\Pi_{SYL}(\mathcal{F}_{allmost}) := \Pi_{SYL}(\mathcal{F}_{most}) \wedge_{SYL}$ $\Pi_{SYL}(\mathcal{F}_{all})$, which results in the following pentapartition:

$\Pi_{SYL}(\mathcal{F}_{allmost}) =$	{	α_1'' : All A are B and there are A's,		$ A \cap B > A \setminus B = 0$
		α_2'' : Most but not all A's are B,		$ A \cap B > A \setminus B > 0$
		$\alpha_3^{\overline{I}}$: Exactly half the A's are B,		$ A \cap B = A \setminus B > 0$
		α_4'' : Most but not all A's are not B,		$0 < A \cap B < A \setminus B $
		$\alpha_5^{\hat{l}'}$: No A's are B, but there are A's,	}	$0= A\cap B < A\setminus B $

Note that in comparison to $\Pi_{\text{FOL}}(\mathcal{F}_{allmost})$, the anchor formula α_6'' is no longer present, because it has gone from FOL-consistent to SYL-inconsistent. As a consequence, the bitstring semantics $\beta_{\text{SYL}}^{allmost}$ for $\mathbb{B}_{\text{SYL}}(\mathcal{F}_{allmost})$ is defined in terms of bitstrings of length five, since the sixth bit position from the $\beta_{\text{FOL}}^{allmost}$ -bitstrings has been deleted. In particular, the resulting bitstrings for the formulas of $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ are given as follows:

$\beta_{SYL}^{allmost}(all(A,B))$	=	10000	$ A \setminus B = 0$ & $ A > 0$
$\beta_{SYL}^{allmost}(no(A,B))$	=	00001	$ A \cap B = 0 \& A > 0$
$\beta_{SYL}^{allmost}(most(A,B))$	=	11000	$ A \cap B > A \setminus B $
$\beta_{SYL}^{allmost}(most(A, \neg B))$	=	00011	$ A \cap B < A \setminus B $
$\beta_{SYL}^{allmost}(\neg most(A, \neg B))$	=	11100	$ A \cap B \geq A \setminus B $
$\beta_{SYL}^{allmost}(\neg most(A, B))$	=	00111	$ A \cap B \le A \setminus B $
$\beta_{SYL}^{allmost}(some(A,B))$	=	11110	$ A \cap B > 0$
$\beta_{SYI}^{allmost}(not all(A, B))$	=	01111	$ A \setminus B > 0$

The AD in Figure 9 is the counterpart of Figure 8, with the bitstring representations added to it.



Figure 9. Octagon with bitstrings of length 5 for $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$, relative to SYL.

5. Conclusions

In Table 1, we provide an overview of the fragments, logics, partitions and Aristotelian diagrams discussed in this paper. The starting point of our analysis are two four-formula fragments, namely, \mathcal{F}_{most} for the proportional quantifiers (generated on the basis of 'most'), and \mathcal{F}_{all} for the standard Aristotelian quantifiers (generated on the basis of 'all'). Relative to FOL as well as to SYL, the fragment \mathcal{F}_{most} induces a tripartition of logical space—i.e., $|\Pi_{FOL}(\mathcal{F}_{most})| = 3 = |\Pi_{SYL}(\mathcal{F}_{most})|$ —and yields a classical square with bitstrings of length three. By contrast, the fragment \mathcal{F}_{all} induces a quadripartition relative to FOL—i.e., $|\Pi_{FOL}(\mathcal{F}_{all})| = 4$ —and yields a degenerate square with bitstrings of length four, but this same fragment induces a tripartition relative to SYL—i.e., $|\Pi_{SYL}(\mathcal{F}_{all})| = 3$ —and yields a classical square with bitstrings of length three. The difference between these two ADs for (and partitions induced by) the fragment \mathcal{F}_{all} relative to FOL and to SYL is the standard example of the well known logic sensitivity of Aristotelian diagrams.

Combining \mathcal{F}_{most} with \mathcal{F}_{all} , we obtained the eight-formula fragment $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$. Relative to FOL, this fragment induces a hexapartition—i.e., $|\Pi_{\text{FOL}}(\mathcal{F}_{allmost})| = 6$ —and bitstrings of length six, but relative to SYL, this same fragment induces a pentapartition—i.e., $|\Pi_{\text{SYL}}(\mathcal{F}_{allmost})| = 5$ —and bitstrings of length five. In Figure 10 the two resulting octagonal ADs are juxtaposed. The AD for $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ in FOL is an octagon—of a type hitherto only known 'in theory' in logical geometry—in which three classical and three degenerate squares are embedded. By contrast, the AD for $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ in SYL is a standard Lenzen octagon, with six embedded classical squares. The difference between these two ADs for (and partitions induced by) the fragment $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$ relative to FOL and to SYL constitutes a more complex and rich illustration of the logic-sensitivity of Aristotelian diagrams.

\mathcal{F}	$ \mathcal{F} $	S	$ \Pi_{S}(\mathcal{F}) $	Aristotelian Diagram
$\mathcal{F}_{most} \ \mathcal{F}_{most}$	$\frac{4}{4}$	FOL SYL	3 3	classical square classical square
$\mathcal{F}_{all} \ \mathcal{F}_{all}$	$\frac{4}{4}$	FOL SYL	4 3	degenerate square classical square
$\mathcal{F}_{allmost} \ \mathcal{F}_{allmost}$	8 8	FOL SYL	6 5	new type of octagon Lenzen octagon

Table 1. Overview of fragments, logics, partitions and Aristotelian diagrams.



Figure 10. Octagons with bitstrings of length 6 and length 5 for $\mathcal{F}_{allmost}$, relative to resp. FOL and SYL.

In future research, we intend to consider alternative interpretations for the fragment \mathcal{F}_{most} available in the formal semantics literature on proportional quantification [29,30] and investigate their interaction with the fragment \mathcal{F}_{all} from the point of view of logic-sensitivity. In addition, we continue our search for natural instances of the 18 families of octagonal ADs, many of which are known to exist in theory, but have not been attested in the literature so far.

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