

## SOME MEREOLOGICAL MODELS

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In this paper we show that the non-empty regular sets of any topological space form a Boolean algebra with zero deleted. In [1] it is shown that any Boolean algebra with zero deleted gives rise to a model of mereology which is "isomorphic" to it in the sense that

$$[AB]: A \cong B \equiv \chi\{A\} \eta \text{el} \langle \chi\{B\} \rangle,$$

where  $\chi\{A\}$  and  $\chi\{B\}$  correspond to  $A$  and  $B$ , and  $\eta$  is an analog of ontological  $\varepsilon$ . This paper will thus furnish us with a variety of mereological models. For example, Euclidean 3-space with the usual topology yields a model of atomless mereology.<sup>1</sup>

First we give some ontological preliminaries.

$$\text{DO1 } [Aa]: A \varepsilon \nu(a) \equiv A \varepsilon A \cdot \sim(A \varepsilon a)$$

$$\text{DO2 } [A\sigma]: A \varepsilon \mathbf{U}\langle\sigma\rangle \equiv [\exists a]. A \varepsilon a \cdot \sigma\{a\}.$$

$$\text{DO3 } [A\sigma]: A \varepsilon \mathbf{N}\langle\sigma\rangle \equiv A \varepsilon A : [a]: \sigma\{a\} \cdot \supset A \varepsilon a.$$

We shall usually write  $\mathbf{U}\sigma$  instead of  $\mathbf{U}\langle\sigma\rangle$ .

$$\text{DO4 } [ab]: a \subset b \equiv [A]: A \varepsilon a \cdot \supset A \varepsilon b$$

$$\text{DO5 } [ab]: a \circ b \equiv a \subset b \cdot b \subset a$$

$$\text{DO6 } [ab]: \circ\{a\}\{b\} \equiv a \circ b$$

$$\text{DO7 } [A]: A \varepsilon \vee \equiv A \varepsilon A$$

$$\text{DO8 } [A]: A \varepsilon \wedge \equiv A \varepsilon A \cdot \sim(A \varepsilon A)$$

$$\text{DO9 } [a]: !\{a\} \equiv [\exists A]. A \varepsilon a$$

$$\text{O1 } [\sigma a]: \sigma\{a\} \cdot \supset a \subset \mathbf{U}\sigma$$

$$\text{O2 } [\sigma a]: \sigma\{a\} \cdot \supset \mathbf{N}\sigma \subset a$$

Now we introduce the notion of topological space into Leśniewski's

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1. Concerning atomless mereology, cf. e.g., [2].

logic. Let  $\forall$  be the underlying name. Let  $\mathbf{O}$  be the proposition-forming functor of one name argument which gives the open names. The following two axioms give a topological space.

$$P1 \quad [\sigma]: \sigma \subset \mathbf{O} \cdot \supset \cdot \mathbf{O}\{\mathbf{U}\sigma\}$$

$$P2 \quad [\sigma]: \sigma \subset \mathbf{O} \cdot \text{Finite} \langle \sigma \rangle \cdot \supset \cdot \mathbf{O}\{\bigcap \sigma\}$$

$$DP1 \quad [a]: \mathbf{C}\{a\} \cdot \equiv \cdot \mathbf{O}\{\nu(a)\}. \quad (\mathbf{C} \text{ gives the closed names})$$

$$DP2 \quad [Aa]: A \varepsilon a^\circ \cdot \equiv \cdot [\exists b]. \mathbf{O}\{b\} \cdot b \subset a \cdot A \varepsilon b. \quad (\text{the interior of } a)$$

$$DP3 \quad [Aa]: A \varepsilon a^- \cdot \equiv \cdot A \varepsilon A : [b]: \mathbf{C}\{b\} \cdot a \subset b \cdot \supset \cdot A \varepsilon b. \quad (\text{the closure of } a)$$

$$DP4 \quad [Aa]: A \varepsilon \text{ext}(a) \cdot \equiv \cdot A \varepsilon (\nu(a))^\circ \quad (\text{the exterior of } a)$$

We now state without proof some basic properties that follow from these definitions.

$$P3 \quad [a]. a^\circ \subset a$$

$$P4 \quad [a]. a \subset a^-$$

$$P5 \quad [ab]: a \subset b \cdot \supset \cdot a^\circ \subset b^\circ$$

$$P6 \quad [ab]: a \subset b \cdot \supset \cdot a^- \subset b^-$$

$$P7 \quad [a]. \mathbf{C}\{a^-\}.$$

$$P8 \quad [a]. \mathbf{O}\{a^\circ\}.$$

$$P9 \quad [a]. a^{\circ\circ} \circ a^\circ$$

$$P10 \quad [a]. a^{--} \circ a^-$$

$$P11 \quad [a]. a^\circ \subset a^{-\circ}$$

$$P12 \quad [a]. a \cap \text{ext}(a) \circ \wedge$$

$$P13 \quad [a]: \mathbf{O}\{a\} \cdot \supset \cdot a \subset a^{-\circ}$$

$$P14 \quad [a]. \nu(a^-) \circ (\nu(a))^\circ$$

$$P15 \quad [a]. \nu(a^\circ) \circ (\nu(a))^-$$

$$P16 \quad [a]: \mathbf{O}\{a\} \cdot \supset \cdot [b]: !\{a \cap b^-\} \cdot \supset \cdot !\{a \cap b\}$$

$$DP5 \quad [a]: \mathbf{R}\{a\} \cdot \equiv \cdot a \circ a^{-\circ}$$

$$P17 \quad \mathbf{R} \subset \mathbf{O}$$

[DP5; P8]

$$P18 \quad [a]. \mathbf{R}\{a^{-\circ}\}.$$

$$\mathbf{PR} \quad [a].$$

$$1. \quad a^{-\circ} \subset a^{-\circ\circ}.$$

[P4]

$$2. \quad a^{-\circ\circ} \subset a^{-\circ\circ\circ}.$$

[P5; 1]

$$3. \quad a^{-\circ} \subset a^{-\circ\circ\circ}.$$

[P9; 2]

$$4. \quad a^{-\circ} \subset a^-.$$

[P3]

$$5. \quad a^{-\circ\circ} \subset a^{--}.$$

[P6; 4]

$$6. \quad a^{-\circ\circ} \subset a^-.$$

[P10; 5]

$$7. \quad a^{-\circ\circ\circ} \subset a^{-\circ}.$$

[P5; 6]

$$8. \quad a^{-\circ} \circ a^{-\circ\circ\circ}.$$

[3; 7]

$$\mathbf{R}\{a^{-\circ}\}$$

[DP5; 8]

$$P19 \quad [a]: \mathbf{R}\{a\} \cdot \supset \cdot \mathbf{R}\{\text{ext}(a)\}.$$

$$\mathbf{PR} \quad [a]: \text{Hp}(1) \cdot \supset \cdot$$

$$2. \quad \mathbf{O}\{a\}.$$

[P17; 1]

$$3. \quad \mathbf{C}\{\nu(a)\}.$$

[DP1; 1; DO1]

$$4. \quad \nu(a) \circ (\nu(a))^-.$$

[P7; 3; DP3]

$$5. \quad \text{ext}(a) \circ (\nu(a))^{-\circ}.$$

[DP4; 4; DP2]

$$\mathbf{R}\{\text{ext}(a)\}.$$

[P18; 5]

- P20*  $[ab]: \mathbf{R}\{a\}. b \subset a \supset b^{-\circ} \subset a$   
**PR**  $[ab]: \mathbf{Hp}(2) \supset$   
 3.  $b^{-} \subset a^{-}$  [P6; 2]  
 4.  $b^{-\circ} \subset a^{-\circ}$  [P5; 3]  
 $b^{-\circ} \subset a$  [4; DP5; 1]
- P21*  $[ab]: \mathbf{R}\{a\}. \mathbf{R}\{b\} \supset \mathbf{R}\{a \cap b\}$ .  
**PR**  $[ab]: \mathbf{Hp}(2) \supset$   
 3.  $\mathbf{O}\{a \cap b\}$ . [P17; 1; 2; P2]  
 4.  $a \cap b \subset (a \cap b)^{-\circ}$ . [P13; 3]  
 5.  $(a \cap b)^{-\circ} \subset a$ . [P20; 1]  
 6.  $(a \cap b)^{-\circ} \subset b$ . [P20; 2]  
 7.  $(a \cap b)^{-\circ} \subset a \cap b$ . [5; 6]  
 8.  $a \cap b \circ (a \cap b)^{-\circ}$ . [4; 7]  
 $\mathbf{R}\{a \cap b\}$  [DP5; 8]
- P22*  $[a]: \mathbf{R}\{a\} \supset \mathcal{N}(a) \circ (\mathcal{N}(a))^{\circ-}$ .  
**PR**  $[a]: \mathbf{Hp}(1) \supset$   
 2.  $\mathcal{N}(a) \circ \mathcal{N}(a^{-\circ})$ . [DP5; 1]  
 3.  $\mathcal{N}(a) \circ (\mathcal{N}(a^{-}))^{-}$ . [P15; 2]  
 $\mathcal{N}(a) \circ (\mathcal{N}(a))^{\circ-}$  [P14; 3]
- P23*  $[ab]: \mathbf{R}\{a\}. \mathbf{R}\{b\}. b \subset a \sim (b \circ a) \supset [\exists c]. \mathbf{R}\{c\}. !\{c\}. c \subset a. c \cap b \circ \wedge$ .  
**PR**  $[ab]: \mathbf{Hp}(4) \supset$   
 5.  $!\{a \cap \mathcal{N}(b)\}$ . [3; 4]  
 6.  $!\{a \cap (\mathcal{N}(b))^{\circ-}\}$ . [P22; 2; 5]  
 7.  $\mathbf{O}\{a\}$ . [P17; 1]  
 8.  $!\{a \cap (\mathcal{N}(b))^{\circ}\}$ . [P16; 7; 6]  
 9.  $!\{a \cap \mathbf{ext}(b)\}$ . [DP4; 8]  
 10.  $\mathbf{R}\{\mathbf{ext}(b)\}$ . [P19; 2]  
 11.  $\mathbf{R}\{a \cap \mathbf{ext}(b)\}$ . [P21; 1; 11]  
 $[\exists c]. \mathbf{R}\{c\}. !\{c\}. c \subset a. c \cap b \circ \wedge$  [11; 9; P12]
- P24*  $[ab]:: \mathbf{R}\{a\}. \mathbf{R}\{b\}. b \subset a \supset \therefore [c]:: \mathbf{R}\{c\}. !\{c\}. c \subset a \supset !\{c \cap b\} \supset a \circ b$   
 [P23]
- DP6*  $[a]: \mathbf{U}\{a\}. \equiv !\{a\}. \mathbf{R}\{a\}$ .  
*P25*  $\mathbf{U} \subset \mathbf{R}$  [DP6]
- DP7*  $[ab]: a \leq b \equiv \mathbf{U}\{a\}. \mathbf{U}\{b\}. a \subset b$
- P26*  $[\sigma d]: \sigma \subset \mathbf{U}. \sigma \{d\} \supset d \leq (\mathbf{U}\sigma)^{-\circ}$   
**PR**  $[\sigma d]: \mathbf{Hp} \cdot (2) \supset$   
 3.  $\sigma \subset \mathbf{R}$ . [P25; 1]  
 4.  $\sigma \subset \mathbf{O}$ . [P17; 3]  
 5.  $\mathbf{O}\{\mathbf{U}\sigma\}$ . [P1; 4]  
 6.  $d \subset \mathbf{U}\sigma$ . [O1; 2]  
 7.  $d \subset (\mathbf{U}\sigma)^{-\circ}$ . [6; P13; 5]  
 8.  $\mathbf{U}\{d\}$ . [1; 2]  
 9.  $!\{d\}$ . [DP6; 8]  
 10.  $!\{(\mathbf{U}\sigma)^{-\circ}\}$ . [9; 7]

11.  $\mathbf{U}\{(\mathbf{U}\sigma)^{-\circ}\}.$  [DP6; 10; P18]  
 $d \leq (\mathbf{U}\sigma)^{-\circ}$  [DP7; 8; 11; 7]
- P27  $[\sigma d]: \sigma \subset \mathbf{U}. d \leq (\mathbf{U}\sigma)^{-\circ}. \supset. [\exists ef]. \sigma\{e\}. f \leq d. f \leq e.$
- PR  $[\sigma d]:: \text{Hp}(2). \supset.:$
3.  $\mathbf{U}\{d\}.$  } [DP7; 2]  
4.  $d \subset (\mathbf{U}\sigma)^{-\circ}.$  }  
5.  $d \subset (\mathbf{U}\sigma)^{-}.$  [P3; 4]  
6.  $\mathbf{R}\{d\}.$  [P25; 3]  
7.  $\mathbf{O}\{d\}.$  [P17; 6]  
8.  $!\{d\}.$  [DP6; 3]  
9.  $!\{d \cap (\mathbf{U}\sigma)^{-}\}.$  [8; 5]  
10.  $!\{d \cap \mathbf{U}\sigma\}:$  [P16; 7; 9]  
 $[\exists A]:$
11.  $A \varepsilon d.$  } [10]  
12.  $A \varepsilon \mathbf{U}\sigma.$  }  
 $[\exists e].$
13.  $\sigma\{e\}.$  } [DO2; 12]  
14.  $A \varepsilon e.$  }  
15.  $!\{d \cap e\}.$  [11; 14]  
16.  $\mathbf{U}\{e\}.$  [1; 13]  
17.  $\mathbf{R}\{e\}.$  [P25; 16]  
18.  $\mathbf{R}\{d \cap e\}.$  [P21; 6; 17]  
19.  $\mathbf{U}\{d \cap e\}:$  [DP6; 15; 18]  
 $[\exists ef]. \sigma\{e\}. f \leq d. f \leq e$  [13; DP7; 19; 3; 16]
- P28  $[ab]:: b \leq a. \supset. [c]:: c \leq a. \supset. !\{c \cap b\}: \supset. a \circ b$  [P24; DP7; DP6]
- P29  $[\sigma bc]:: \sigma \subset \mathbf{U}. \sigma\{b\}: [d]: \sigma\{d\}. \supset. d \leq c: [d]: d \leq c. \supset. [\exists ef]. \sigma\{e\}.$   
 $f \leq d. f \leq e: \supset. c \circ (\mathbf{U}\sigma)^{-\circ}$
- PR  $[\sigma bc]:: \text{Hp}(4). \supset.:$
5.  $[d]: \sigma\{d\}. \supset. d \subset c:$  [DP7; 3]  
6.  $\mathbf{U}\sigma \subset c.$  [DO2; 5]  
7.  $b \leq c.$  [2; 3]  
8.  $\mathbf{R}\{c\}.$  [DP7; 7; P25]  
9.  $(\mathbf{U}\sigma)^{-\circ} \subset c.$  [P20; 8; 6]  
10.  $\sigma \subset \mathbf{O}.$  [1; P25; P17]  
11.  $\mathbf{O}\{\mathbf{U}\sigma\}:$  [P1; 10]  
12.  $[d]: d \leq c. \supset. [\exists f]. \mathbf{U}\{f\}. f \subset d. f \subset \mathbf{U}\sigma:$  [4; DP7; DO2]  
13.  $[d]: d \leq c. \supset. [\exists f]. !\{f\}. f \subset d. f \subset (\mathbf{U}\sigma)^{-\circ}:$  [12; DP6; P13; 11]  
14.  $[d]: d \leq c. \supset. !\{d \cap (\mathbf{U}\sigma)^{-\circ}\}:$  [13]  
15.  $c \leq c.$  [7; DP7]  
16.  $!\{c \cap (\mathbf{U}\sigma)^{-\circ}\}.$  [14; 15]

17.  $!\{(\mathbf{U}_\sigma)^{-\circ}\}.$  [16]
18.  $\mathbf{U}\{(\mathbf{U}_\sigma)^{-\circ}\}.$  [DP6; 17; P18]
19.  $(\mathbf{U}_\sigma)^{-\circ} \leq c.$  [DP7; 17; 15; 19]  
 $c \circ (\mathbf{U}_\sigma)^{-\circ}$  [P28; 19; 14]
- P30  $[\sigma b]::\sigma \subset \mathbf{U}.\sigma\{b\}.\supset::[c]::c \circ (\mathbf{U}_\sigma)^{-\circ}.\equiv:[d]:\sigma\{d\}.\supset.d \leq c:$   
 $[d]:d \leq c.\supset.[\exists ef].\sigma\{e\}.f \leq d.f \leq e.$  [P26; P27; P29]
- P31  $[abc]:a \leq b.b \leq c.\supset.a \leq c$  [DP7]
- P32  $[\sigma tab]::a \leq b.\sigma \subset \mathbf{U}.\sigma\{b\}::[c]::\tau\{c\}.\equiv:[d]:\sigma\{d\}.\supset.d \leq c:$   
 $[d]:d \leq c.\supset.[\exists ef].\sigma\{e\}.f \leq d.f \leq e::\supset.\tau \circ \circ \{(\mathbf{U}_\sigma)^{-\circ}\}.a \leq (\mathbf{U}_\sigma)^{-\circ}$
- PR  $[\sigma tab]::\text{Hp}(4)::\supset:$
5.  $[c]:\tau\{c\}.\equiv.c \circ (\mathbf{U}_\sigma)^{-\circ}:$  [P30; 2; 3; 4]
6.  $[c]:\tau\{c\}.\equiv \circ \{(\mathbf{U}_\sigma)^{-\circ}\}\{c\}:$  [DO6; 3]
7.  $\tau \circ \circ \{(\mathbf{U}_\sigma)^{-\circ}\}.$  [6]
8.  $\tau\{(\mathbf{U}_\sigma)^{-\circ}\}:$  [7]
9.  $[d]:\sigma\{d\}.\supset.d \leq (\mathbf{U}_\sigma)^{-\circ}:$  [4; 8]
10.  $b \leq (\mathbf{U}_\sigma)^{-\circ}.$  [9; 3]
11.  $a \leq (\mathbf{U}_\sigma)^{-\circ}.$  [P31; 1; 10]  
 $\tau \circ \circ \{(\mathbf{U}_\sigma)^{-\circ}\}.a \leq (\mathbf{U}_\sigma)^{-\circ}$  [7; 11]
- P33  $[a]:\mathbf{U}\{a\}.\equiv.a \leq a$  [DP7]
- P34  $[ab]::\mathbf{U}\{b\}::b \leq b.\supset::[\sigma\tau]::\sigma \subset \mathbf{U}.\tau \subset \mathbf{U}.\sigma\{b\}::[c]::\tau\{c\}.\equiv:$   
 $[d]:\sigma\{d\}.\supset.d \leq c:[d]:d \leq c.\supset.[\exists ef].\sigma\{e\}.f \leq d.f \leq e::\supset.$   
 $[\exists g].\tau \circ \circ \{g\}.a \leq g::\supset.a \leq b$
- PR  $[ab]::\text{Hp}(2)::\supset::$
3.  $b \leq b.$  [P33; 1]
4.  $\circ \{b\}\{b\}.$  [DO6]
5.  $\circ \{b\} \subset \mathbf{U}.$  [1; DO6]
6.  $\mathbf{U} \langle \circ \{b\} \rangle \circ b.$  [DO2; DO6]
7.  $\mathbf{R}\{b\}.$  [P25; 1]
8.  $(\mathbf{U} \langle \circ \{b\} \rangle)^{-\circ} \circ b::$  [DP5; 7; 6]
9.  $[c]::\circ \{b\}\{c\}.\equiv:[d]:\circ \{b\}\{d\}.\supset d \leq c:[d]:d \leq c.\supset.$   
 $[\exists ef].\circ \{b\}\{e\}.f \leq d.f \leq e::\supset.$  [P30; 5; 4; 8; DO6]  
 $[\exists g].$
10.  $\circ \{b\} \circ \circ \{g\}.$  } [2; 3; 5; 5; 4; 10]
11.  $a \leq g.$  }
12.  $b \circ g.$  [DO6]  
 $a \leq b$  [11; 12]
- P35  $[ab]::a \leq b.\equiv::\mathbf{U}\{a\}.\mathbf{U}\{b\}::b \leq b.\supset::[\sigma\tau]::\sigma \subset \mathbf{U}.\tau \subset \mathbf{U}.\sigma\{b\}::[c]::$   
 $\tau\{c\}.\equiv:[d]:\sigma\{d\}.\supset.d \leq c:[d]:d \leq c.\supset.[\exists ef].\sigma\{e\}.f \leq d.f \leq e::\supset.$   
 $[\exists g].\tau \circ \circ \{g\}.a \leq g$  [DP7; P32; P34]

P35 is a replica of the single axiom for Boolean algebra with zero deleted which is given in [1].

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