

# A logical view of analogical reasoning

based on analogical proportions

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# Historical introduction

- Western world : Aristotle (384-322 BC)

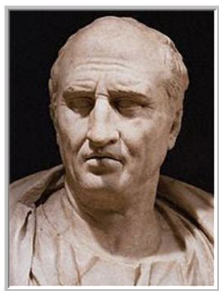


- Eastern world : Mencius (A follower of Confucius : 372-289 BC)



- Idea of *analogical proportion*
- Use as a rhetorical argument
- Metaphoric use : “Messi is the Mozart of soccer”

## Also a forgotten author



*Philodemus*

Epicurean philosopher [Philodemus of Gadara](#) (c. 110 - prob. c. 40 or 35 BC) whose library was buried in Herculaneum eruption, and rediscovered in the XVIIIth century

De Lacy, P. H. and De Lacy, E. A. (1941). Philodemus : [On Methods of Inference](#). A Study in Ancient Empiricism. American Philological Association, Philadelphia. With translation and commentary

# Analogy

- **analogy** establishes a **parallel** between **2** situations on the basis of which, one concludes that what is true in the 1st situation **may** also be true in the 2nd

- Example

situation 1 :  $p(a), r(a, b), q(b)$

situation 2 :  $p(c), r(c, d)$

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$q(d)$

- cognitive psychology  
→ *Structure Mapping Theory* (Deirdre Gentner)

## Analogy - 2

- Analogical proportion “ $a$  is to  $b$  as  $c$  is to  $d$ ”  
often denoted  $a : b :: c : d$
- It establishes a *parallel*  
between the pair  $(a, b)$  and the pair  $(c, d)$
- Case-based reasoning establishes a series of parallels  
between *known cases* ( $\langle problem_i \rangle$ ,  $\langle solution_i \rangle$ )  
and a *new*  $\langle problem_0 \rangle$ ,  
for which one may think of  
a  $\langle solution_0 \rangle$  *similar* to  $\langle solution_i \rangle$   
as  $\langle problem_0 \rangle$  is *similar* to  $\langle problem_i \rangle$

## Analogy - 3

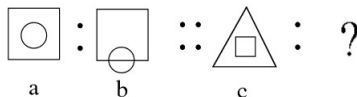
- For about 2300 years, there has been **no** attempt at formalizing analogical proportions
- *analogy* was regarded as *antagonistic* to *logic*, *analogical reasoning*, as a useful heuristics, in *full contrast* with *deductive reasoning*
- analogical reasoning *may provide wrong conclusions*
- (deductive) logical reasoning *always provides valid conclusions*
- but analogical reasoning is “creative”, may be useful when logical reasoning does not apply

# Thomas Evans' *ANALOGY* program

- ANALOGY written in LISP, MIT, 1964

## Main ideas

- Pb : "fig. *A* is to fig. *B* as fig. *C* is to fig. *X* ?"  
*X* belonging to a **given** set ***S*** of *candidate figures*
- Recognition and transformation of geometric figures

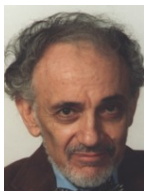


- Primitive input : description of the figures *A*, *B*, *C*, and in ***S***
- Find an appropriate **transformation rule** from *A* to *B* to be compared with the transformations from *C* to each element of ***S***  
 solution *X* s. t.  $\text{transformation}(A \rightarrow B) \simeq \text{transformation}(C \rightarrow X)$



## A forerunner

Sheldon Klein (1935 - 2005) - [pages.cs.wisc.edu/~sklein/sklein.html](http://pages.cs.wisc.edu/~sklein/sklein.html)



- B.A. (anthropology - 1956) Ph.D. (linguistics - 1963)  
Prof. of Computer Sciences and Linguistics University of Wisconsin
- *"Culture, mysticism & social structure and the calculation of behavior"*.  
Proc. Europ. Conf. in AI (ECAI'82), Orsay, 141-146, 1982
- A procedure for computing  $X$  such as  $A : B :: C : X$ , once  $A, B, C$  are encoded in a binary way feature by feature :  $X = C \equiv (A \equiv B)$

**(Non-logical) formalizations start to be proposed around 2000**

Yves Lepage, 1997, 2001 ; François Yvon and Stroppa, 1995, 2005 ;

Arnaud Delhay and Laurent Miclet, 2004

## Proportions in mathematics

- relations between 2 ordered pairs  $(a, b)$  and  $(c, d)$
- **geometric proportion** : equality of 2 *ratios*

$$a/b = c/d$$

**arithmetic proportion** : equality of 2 *differences* :

$$a - b = c - d$$

- equivalent respectively  
to  $ad = bc$  and to  $a + d = b + c$
- enable us to “**extrapolate**”  $d$   
as  $d = c \times b/a$  (“*rule of three*”), or  $d = c + (b - a)$
- *continuous* proportions where  $b = c$  related to  
**averaging** : taking  $b = c$  as the unknown yields  
the *geometric mean*  $(ad)^{1/2}$   
and the *arithmetic mean*  $(a + d)/2$

# Analogical proportions postulates

- ①  $\forall a, b, R(a, b, a, b)$  (*reflexivity*) ;
- ②  $\forall a, b, c, d, R(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow R(c, d, a, b)$  (*symmetry*)
- ③  $\forall a, b, c, d, R(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow R(a, c, b, d)$   
(*central permutation*)

$$\forall a, b, c, d, R(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow R(d, b, c, a)$$

(*external permutation*)

## 8 equivalent forms for an analogical proportion

$R(a,b,c,d)$

$R(c,d,a,b)$  (by sym.)

$R(c,a,d,b)$  (by cent. permut.)

$R(d,b,c,a)$  (by sym.)

$R(d,c,b,a)$  (by cent. permut.)

$R(b,a,d,c)$  (by sym.)

$R(b,d,a,c)$  (by cent. permut.)

$R(a,c,b,d)$  (by sym.)

# Boolean model

- It is straightforward to get a basic Boolean model
- by **reflexivity**, 0101, 1010 should belong to the relation
  - and 0000, 1111 as well since **letting**  $a = b$
  - **central permutation** then leads to add 0011 and 1100
- $\Rightarrow$  we get the **minimal** model

$$\Omega_0 = \{0000, 1111, 0101, 1010, 0011, 1100\}$$

which is *stable under symmetry*

## Other models - 1

Due to axioms, we should add to  $\Omega_0$  subsets of  $\mathbb{B}^4$  stable w.r.t. symmetry and central permutation

1) 1 model with 6 elements :  $\Omega_0$  (the smallest one)

2) 1 model with 8 elements :  $KI = \Omega_0 \cup S_2 =$   
 $\{0000, 1111, 0101, 1010, 0011, 1100, 0110, 1001\}$

first proposed by S. Klein (1982)

**BUT** " $a$  is to  $b$  as  $c$  is  $d$ "  $\rightarrow$  " $b$  is to  $a$  as  $c$  is  $d$ "

3) 2 model with 10 elements :

$M_3 = \Omega_0 \cup S_3 =$

$\{0000, 1111, 0101, 1010, 0011, 1100, 1110, 1101, 1011, 0111\}$

$M_4 = \Omega_0 \cup S_4 =$

$\{0000, 1111, 0101, 1010, 0011, 1100, 0001, 0010, 0100, 1000\}$

## Other models - 2

4) 2 models with 12 elements :

$$M_5 = M_3 \cup S_2 = \{0000, 1111, 0101, 1010, 0011, 1100, 1110, 1101, 1011, 0111, 0110, 1001\},$$

$$M_6 = M_4 \cup S_2 = \{0000, 1111, 0101, 1010, 0011, 1100, 0001, 0010, 0100, 1000, 0110, 1001\},$$

5) 1 model with 14 elements :

$$M_7 = M_3 \cup S_4 = M_4 \cup S_3 = \Omega_0 \cup S_3 \cup S_4 = \{0000, 1111, 0101, 1010, 0011, 1100, 1110, 1101, 1011, 0111, 0100, 1000, 0110, 1001\}$$

6) 1 model with exactly 16 elements :

$$\Omega = \Omega_0 \cup S_2 \cup S_3 \cup S_4 = \mathbb{B}$$

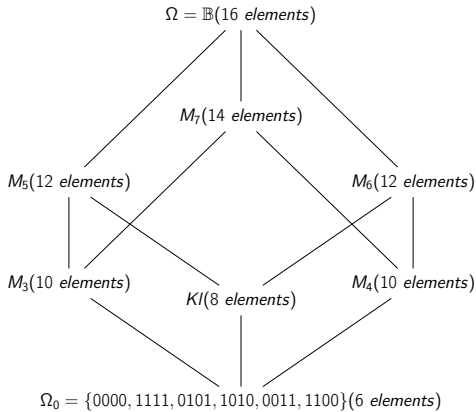


Figure – The lattice of Boolean models of analogy



# Boolean analogical proportion “ $a$ is to $b$ as $c$ is to $d$ ”

$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$	$a : b :: c : d$	$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$	$a : b :: c : d$
0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>	1	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	<b>1</b>
0	0	1	1	<b>1</b>	1	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	<b>1</b>
0	1	0	1	<b>1</b>	1	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	<b>1</b>

$$a : b :: c : d = (a \wedge \neg b \equiv c \wedge \neg d) \wedge (\neg a \wedge b \equiv \neg c \wedge d)$$

“ $a$  differs from  $b$  as  $c$  differs from  $d$ , and vice-versa”

# Analogical proportion truth table

Boolean patterns making analogical proportion **true**

<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>	<i>c</i>	<i>d</i>
0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1
0	0	1	1
1	1	0	0
0	1	0	1
1	0	1	0

- compatible with  $a - b = c - d$  **but**  $a - b \in \{-1, 0, 1\}$
- analogical proportion is **transitive** :

$$(a : b :: c : d) \wedge (c : d :: e : f) \Rightarrow a : b :: e : f$$

# Analogical proportions between vectors

- Items are represented by *vectors* of Boolean values  
 $\vec{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$
- $\vec{a} : \vec{b} :: \vec{c} : \vec{d}$  iff  $\forall i \in [1, n], a_i : b_i :: c_i : d_i$
- Pairing pairs  $(a, b)$  and  $(c, d)$

	$\mathcal{A}_1$	...	$\mathcal{A}_{i-1}$	$\mathcal{A}_i$	...	$\mathcal{A}_{j-1}$	$\mathcal{A}_j$	...	$\mathcal{A}_{k-1}$	$\mathcal{A}_k$	...	$\mathcal{A}_{r-1}$	$\mathcal{A}_r$	...	$\mathcal{A}_{s-1}$	$\mathcal{A}_s$	...	$\mathcal{A}_n$
$\vec{a}$	1	...	1	0	...	0	1	...	1	0	...	0	1	...	1	0	...	0
$\vec{b}$	1	...	1	0	...	0	1	...	1	0	...	0	0	...	0	1	...	1
$\vec{c}$	1	...	1	0	...	0	0	...	0	1	...	1	1	...	1	0	...	0
$\vec{d}$	1	...	1	0	...	0	0	...	0	1	...	1	0	...	0	1	...	1

On attributes  $\mathcal{A}_1$  to  $\mathcal{A}_{r-1}$   $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  agree and  $\vec{c}$  and  $\vec{d}$  agree as well. It contrasts with attributes  $\mathcal{A}_r$  to  $\mathcal{A}_n$ , for which we can see that  $\vec{a}$  differs from  $\vec{b}$  as  $\vec{c}$  differs from  $\vec{d}$  (and vice-versa)

# Example of analogical proportion

a calf *is to* a cow *as* a foal *is to* a mare

	mammal	young	equine	adult female	bovine	adult male
A : calf	1	1	0	0	1	0
B : cow	1	0	0	1	1	0
C : foal	1	1	1	0	0	0
D : mare	1	0	1	1	0	0

The columns are all binary analogical proportions.

$$A \setminus B = \{ \text{young} \} = C \setminus D$$

$$B \setminus A = \{ \text{adult female} \} = D \setminus C$$

# Analogical proportion between *subsets*

Four subsets  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  and  $D$  are in AP ( $A : B :: C : D$ ) when the *differences* between  $A$  and  $B$  are the same as between  $C$  and  $D$ .

$$A \setminus B = C \setminus D \quad \text{and} \quad B \setminus A = D \setminus C$$

$$\Leftrightarrow$$

$$A \cup D = B \cup C \quad \text{and} \quad A \cap D = B \cap C !$$

$A = \{a, b, c, h\}$ ,  $B = \{a, b, d, e, h\}$ ,  $C = \{f, c, h\}$  and  $D = \{f, d, e, h\}$

$$A \setminus B = C \setminus D = \{c\} \quad \text{and} \quad B \setminus A = D \setminus C = \{d, e\}$$

	$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$	$e$	$f$	$h$
$A$	×	×	×				×
$B$	×	×		×	×		×
$C$			×			×	×
$D$				×	×	×	×

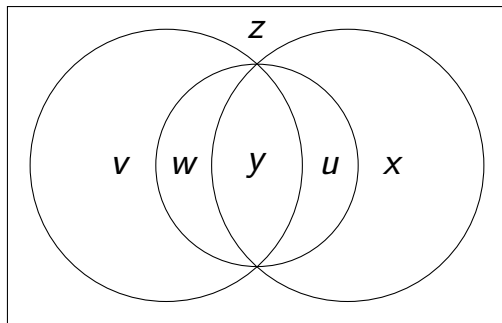
$$A \cup D = B \cup C = \{a, b, c, d, e, f, h\} \quad \text{and} \quad A \cap D = B \cap C = \{h\}$$

# Analogical equation for lattice of subsets

## Proposition (Y. Lepage)

*In the Boolean lattice  $(\wp(\Sigma), \cup, \cap, \Sigma \subseteq)$ , a 4-tuple  $(A, B, C, D)$  is in analogical proportion  $(A : B :: C : D)$  iff there exists 6 subsets  $(u, v, w, x, y, z)$  partitioning  $\wp(\Sigma)$  such that*

$$A = u \cup w \cup y, B = v \cup w \cup y, C = u \cup x \cup y, D = v \cup x \cup y$$



# Analogy is a matter of dissimilarity and similarity

Boolean setting : there are 4 comparison indicators

- 2 similarity indicators : a *positive* one  $a \wedge b$  and a *negative* one  $\neg a \wedge \neg b$
- 2 dissimilarity indicators :  $\neg a \wedge b$  and  $a \wedge \neg b$

$$a : b :: c : d = (a \wedge \neg b \equiv c \wedge \neg d) \wedge (\neg a \wedge b \equiv \neg c \wedge d)$$

“a differs from b as c differs from d, and vice-versa”

$$a : b :: c : d = (a \wedge d \equiv b \wedge c) \wedge (\neg a \wedge \neg d \equiv \neg b \wedge \neg c)$$

“what a and d have in common b and c have it also, positively and negatively”

Piaget's logical proportion,

but he never related it to analogy !

$$LP_{Piaget}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta) = (\alpha \wedge \beta \equiv \gamma \wedge \delta) \wedge (\neg \alpha \wedge \neg \beta \equiv \neg \gamma \wedge \neg \delta)$$

## Analogical proportions : just compare 2 items !

- Starting with 2 *distinct* Boolean vectors  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{d}$   
it is possible to find 2 *other* vectors  $\mathbf{b}$  and  $\mathbf{c}$   
s.t.  $\mathbf{a} : \mathbf{b} :: \mathbf{c} : \mathbf{d}$  holds componentwise :
- $Agr(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{d})$  : the set of indices where  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{d}$  agree  
 $Dis(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{d})$  : the set of indices where  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{d}$  differ  
 $\Rightarrow$  2 new vectors  $\mathbf{b}$  and  $\mathbf{c}$  s.t. :
  - $\forall i \in Agr(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{d}), a_i = b_i = c_i = d_i$  (all 1, or all 0)
  - $\forall i \in Dis(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{d}) (b_i = a_i \text{ and } c_i = d_i)$   
or  $(b_i = \neg a_i \text{ and } c_i = \neg d_i)$

$\mathbf{a} = 0110, \mathbf{d} = 0011 : Agr(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{d}) = \{1, 3\} \quad Dis(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{d}) = \{2, 4\}$

$\mathbf{b} = 0111$  and  $\mathbf{c} = 0010$  make  $\mathbf{a} : \mathbf{b} :: \mathbf{c} : \mathbf{d}$  true

if  $Dis(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{d})$  contains at least 2 indices, equation

$\mathbf{a} : \mathbf{x} :: \mathbf{x}' : \mathbf{d}$  has solutions with  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}', \mathbf{d}$  distinct



## Two proportions associated with analogy

- *reverse analogy* :  $\text{Rev}(a, b, c, d) \triangleq ((\neg a \wedge b) \equiv (c \wedge \neg d)) \wedge ((a \wedge \neg b) \equiv (\neg c \wedge d))$

It reverses analogy into “*b* is to *a* as *c* is to *d*”

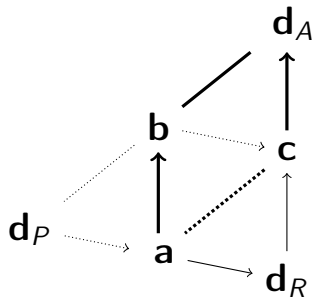
- *paralogy* :  $\text{Par}(a, b, c, d) \triangleq ((a \wedge b) \equiv (c \wedge d)) \wedge ((\neg a \wedge \neg b) \equiv (\neg c \wedge \neg d))$

what *a* and *b* have in common (positively or negatively), *c* and *d* have it also, and conversely

$$\text{Rev}(b, a, c, d) \Leftrightarrow \text{Ana}(a, b, c, d) \Leftrightarrow \text{Par}(c, b, a, d))$$

	Ana				Rev				Par			
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
•	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0

# A geometric illustration



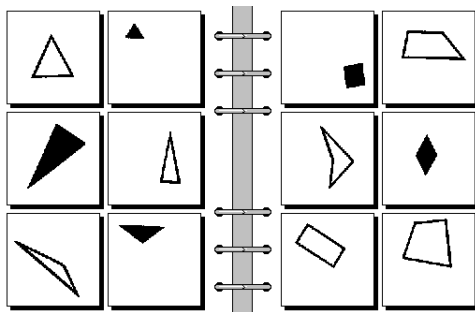
3 parallelograms

# Inverse paralogy

- Switching the *positive* and *negative* similarity indicators for pair  $(c, d)$  in paralogy definition  

$$\text{Inv}(a, b, c, d) \triangleq ((a \wedge b) \equiv (\neg c \wedge \neg d)) \wedge ((\neg a \wedge \neg b) \equiv (c \wedge d))$$
- “what  $a$  and  $b$  have in common,  $c$  and  $d$  do not have it and conversely” : a kind of “orthogonality”
- $A(a, b, c, d) \leftrightarrow I(a, \bar{b}, \bar{c}, d)$ .
- Unique proportion *stable under any permutation* of 2 terms :  $\text{Inv}(a, b, c, d) \Leftrightarrow \text{Inv}(b, a, c, d)$   
 $\Leftrightarrow \text{Inv}(a, c, b, d) \Leftrightarrow \text{Inv}(c, b, a, d)$
- *Bongard problems* easily expressed by  $\text{Inv}$

# Example of a Bongard problem



# Transitivity

$$T(a, b, c, d) \wedge T(c, d, e, f) \rightarrow T(a, b, e, f)$$

$A$  and  $P$  are **transitive**

$R$  and  $I$  are **not** transitive,

*but*

$$R(a, b, c, d) \wedge R(c, d, e, f) \rightarrow A(a, b, e, f)$$

$$I(a, b, c, d) \wedge I(c, d, e, f) \rightarrow P(a, b, e, f)$$

# Permutations

6 permutations exchanging the place of two elements

$p_{12}, p_{13}, p_{14}, p_{23}, p_{24}, p_{34}$

**Proposition :**

- **A** and **I** are the only logical proportions satisfying **symmetry** and being stable for **permutation  $p_{23}$** . The same result holds replacing  $p_{23}$  by  $p_{14}$ .
- **P** and **I** are the only logical proportions satisfying **symmetry** and being stable for **permutation  $p_{12}$** . The same result holds replacing  $p_{12}$  by  $p_{34}$ .
- **R** and **I** are the only logical proportions satisfying **symmetry** and being stable for **permutation  $p_{24}$** . The same result holds replacing  $p_{13}$  by  $p_{24}$ .

**Proposition :**

***/ is the only logical proportion stable for each of the 6 permutations***

**Proposition :**

***A is the unique proportion satisfying  $T(a, b, a, b)$  and  $p_{23}$  (and thus also***

# Analogy, Reverse analogy, Paralogy, Inverse Paralogy

A				R				P				I			
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0

# Characteristic patterns

- 8 possible valuations for  $(a, b, c, d)$  never appear : they are of the form  $x \ x \ x \ y$ ,  $x \ x \ y \ x$ ,  $x \ y \ x \ x$ , or  $y \ x \ x \ x$  with  $x \neq y$  and  $(x, y) \in \{0, 1\}^2$
- *characteristic pattern* : 2 lines of the table holds true as  $(1 \equiv 1) \wedge (1 \equiv 1)$
- *A analogy* :  $x \ y \ x \ y$  same difference between  $a$  and  $b$  as between  $c$  and  $d$
- *R reverse analogy* :  $y \ x \ x \ y$   
differences between  $a$  and  $b$  and between  $c$  and  $d$  are in opposite directions
- *P paralogy* :  $x \ x \ x \ x$  what  $a$  and  $b$  have in common,  $c$  and  $d$  have it also
- *I inverse paralogy* :  $x \ x \ y \ y$   
what  $a$  and  $b$  have in common,  $c$  and  $d$  do not have it, and conversely.
- the 4 other lines of the truth table are generated by the *characteristic patterns*  
of the 2 other proportions that are not opposed to  $T$



# Patterns of the 4 homogeneous proportions : A summary

	Characteristic patterns	Missing patterns
<b>Analogy</b>	1010 and 0101	1001 and 0110
<b>Reverse analogy</b>	1001 and 0110	1010 and 0101
<b>Paralogy</b>	1111 and 0000	1100 and 0011
<b>Inverse paralogy</b>	1100 and 0011	1111 and 0000

# Logical proportions

- Analogical proportion : a *comparison of comparisons*  
 “*a* is to *b* as *c* is to *d*”
- A **logical proportion**  $T(a, b, c, d)$  is the **conjunction** of  
 2 **equivalences** between indicators for  $(a, b)$  on one side  
 and indicators for  $(c, d)$  on the other side
- Ex. :  $((a \wedge \neg b) \equiv (c \wedge \neg d)) \wedge ((a \wedge b) \equiv (c \wedge d))$   
 “*a* differs from *b* as *c* differs from *d*”  
 and “*a* is similar to *b* as *c* is similar to *d*”

Mind it is not the analogical proportion !

# What logical proportions have in common

- **120** *semantically distinct* proportions
- *All these proportions* share a remarkable property :  
they are **true for exactly 6 patterns** of values of *abcd*  
among  $2^4 = 16$  possible values  
previous example : true for  
0000, 1111, 1010, 0101, 0001, and 0100

Logical proportions are quite rare  
among the  $\left[ \begin{smallmatrix} 16 \\ 6 \end{smallmatrix} \right] = \mathbf{8008}$  Boolean formulas  
involving 4 variables

# Families of logical proportions

similarities :  $s_1 = a \wedge b$ ,  $s_2 = \neg a \wedge \neg b$ ,  $s'_1 = c \wedge d$ ,  $s'_2 = \neg c \wedge \neg d$

dissimilarities :  $d_1 = a \wedge \neg b$ ,  $d_2 = \neg a \wedge b$ ,  $d'_1 = c \wedge \neg d$ ,  $d'_2 = \neg c \wedge d$

- 4 homogeneous : 2 cond.  $s_i = s'_k$  or 2 cond.  $d_i = d'_k$
- 16 conditionals :  $s_i = s'_k$  and  $d_j = d'_l$
- 20 hybrids :  $s_i = d'_k$  and  $s_j = d'_l$
- 32 semi-hybrids :  $s_i = s'_k$  or  $d_j = d'_l$  and 1 hybrid cond.
- 48 degenerated : the same  $s_i$  (or  $s'_k, d_j, d'_l$ ) in the 2 cond.

# Conditional proportions

- of the form  $s_i = s'_k$  and  $d_j = d'_l$
- e.g.,  $((a \wedge b) \equiv (c \wedge d)) \wedge ((a \wedge \bar{b}) \equiv (c \wedge \bar{d}))$
- a rule “if  $a$  then  $b$ ” can be seen as a *three valued* entity called ‘**conditional object**’, denoted  $b|a$  (De Finetti).  
 $b|a$  is
  - *true* if  $a \wedge b$  is true. The elements making it true are the examples of the rule “if  $a$  then  $b$ ”,
  - *false* if  $a \wedge \bar{b}$  is true. The elements making it false are the counter-examples of the rule “if  $a$  then  $b$ ”,
  - *undefined* if  $\bar{a}$  is true. The rule “if  $a$  then  $b$ ” is then not applicable.
- so the above proportion may be denoted  $b|a :: d|c$   
 it expresses the **semantical equivalence of the 2 rules** “if  $a$  then  $b$ ” and “if  $c$  then  $d$ ” by stating that they have **the same examples**, i.e.  
 $(a \wedge b) \equiv (c \wedge d)$   
 and **the same counter-examples**  $(a \wedge \bar{b}) \equiv (c \wedge \bar{d})$

## 4 noticeable hybrid proportions

$\equiv$  connectives link **indicators of different kinds** for  $(a, b)$  and for  $(c, d)$

$$H_1(a, b, c, d) = (\neg a \wedge b \equiv \neg c \wedge \neg d) \wedge (a \wedge \neg b \equiv c \wedge d)$$

$$H_2(a, b, c, d) = (\neg a \wedge b \equiv c \wedge d) \wedge (a \wedge \neg b \equiv \neg c \wedge \neg d)$$

$$H_3(a, b, c, d) = (\neg a \wedge \neg b \equiv \neg c \wedge d) \wedge (a \wedge b \equiv c \wedge \neg d)$$

$$H_4(a, b, c, d) = (\neg a \wedge \neg b \equiv c \wedge \neg d) \wedge (a \wedge b \equiv \neg c \wedge d)$$

	H <sub>1</sub>				H <sub>2</sub>				H <sub>3</sub>				H <sub>4</sub>			
	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1
	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
•	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1
	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0

- express that there is an **intruder** in  $\{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  
which is not **a** ( $H_1$ ), not **b** ( $H_2$ ), not **c** ( $H_3$ ), not **d** ( $H_4$ )
- solve puzzles of the type “**Finding the odd one out**”  $\equiv$

# The 4 heterogeneous proportions

- made of 3 of the pairs generated by the patterns  $x \ x \ x \ y$ ,  $x \ x \ y \ x$ ,  $x \ y \ x \ x$ , or  $y \ x \ x \ x$

not a				not b				not c				not d			
0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1
0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1

- "among  $a, b, c, d$ , there is an **intruder** (which is true, or false, alone) which is not  $x$ " ( $x = a, b, c$  or  $d$ )  
 closely related with the idea of *spotting the odd one out*, or if we prefer of *picking the one that doesn't fit* among 4 items

# Anomaly detection with heterogeneous proportions

Pick the odd one out in {bus, bicycle, car, truck}

	<i>hasEngine</i>	<i>canMove</i>	<i>canFly</i>	<i>canDrive</i>	<i>has4Wheels</i>
<i>A : bus</i>	1	1	0	1	1
<i>B : bicycle</i>	0	1	0	1	0
<i>C : car</i>	1	1	0	1	1
<i>D : truck</i>	1	1	0	1	1

For each  $x \in a, b, c, d$  compute

$$N(x) = \text{card}(\{i \in [1, n] \text{ s.t. } H_x(A_i, B_i, C_i, D_i) = 0\})$$

$$\text{intruder} = \text{argmax}_x N(x) \quad (= B)$$



# Code independent logical proportions

- *code independent* property :

$$T(a, b, c, d) \Leftrightarrow T(\neg a, \neg b, \neg c, \neg d)$$

- there only exist 8 logical proportions that satisfy it among the 120 ones

they split into the 4 *homogeneous* proportions  
and the 4 *heterogeneous* logical proportions

## Gradual properties

linearly ordered scale  $\mathcal{L}$  may be an infinite chain  $\mathcal{L} = [0, 1]$

a finite chain  $\mathcal{L} = \{\alpha_0 = 0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n = 1\}$  with  $0 < \alpha_1 < \dots < 1$

$\mathcal{L} = \{0, \alpha, 1\}$

- $A(a, b, c, d) = (a \wedge \neg b \equiv c \wedge \neg d) \wedge (\neg a \wedge b \equiv \neg c \wedge d)$

- central  $\wedge$  equal to min ;

$$s \equiv t = \min(s \rightarrow_{Luka} t, t \rightarrow_{Luka} s) = 1 - |s - t|;$$

$s \wedge \neg t = \max(0, s - t) = 1 - (s \rightarrow_{Luka} t)$ , i.e.  $\wedge \neg$  is a bounded difference

- $A(a, b, c, d) = 1 - |(a - b) - (c - d)|$  if  $a \geq b$  and  $c \geq d$ , or  $a \leq b$  and  $c \leq d$

$A(a, b, c, d) = 1 - \max(|a - b|, |c - d|)$  if  $a \leq b$  and  $c \geq d$ , or  $a \geq b$  and  $c \leq d$

- fully true for 19 patterns in the 3-valued case : 9 following patterns

$(1, 1, 1, 1); (0, 0, 0, 0); (\alpha, \alpha, \alpha, \alpha); (1, 0, 1, 0); (0, 1, 0, 1);$

$(1, \alpha, 1, \alpha); (\alpha, 1, \alpha, 1); (0, \alpha, 0, \alpha); (\alpha, 0, \alpha, 0); (1, 1, 0, 0);$

$(0, 0, 1, 1); (1, 1, \alpha, \alpha); (\alpha, \alpha, 1, 1); (\alpha, \alpha, 0, 0); (0, 0, \alpha, \alpha);$

$(1, \alpha, \alpha, 0); (0, \alpha, \alpha, 1); (\alpha, 1, 0, \alpha); (\alpha, 0, 1, \alpha)$

# Graded analogical proportion -1

- Attributes not necessarily Boolean :  
graded extensions of logical proportions of interest
- analogical proportion : 2 options that make sense

$$a : b ::_L c : d = \begin{cases} 1 - |(a - b) - (c - d)|, & \text{if } a \geq b \text{ and } c \geq d, \text{ or } a \leq b \text{ and } c \leq d \\ 1 - \max(|a - b|, |c - d|), & \text{if } a \leq b \text{ and } c \geq d, \text{ or } a \geq b \text{ and } c \leq d \end{cases}$$

- Coincides with  $a : b :: c : d$  on  $\{0, 1\}$
- Equal to **1** if and only if  $(a - b) = (c - d)$
- $a : b ::_L c : d = \mathbf{0}$  when the change inside one of  $(a, b)$  or  $(c, d)$  is *maximal*, while the other pair shows either no change, or an *opposite* change

## Graded analogical proportion - 2

The second option :

- $a : b ::_C c : d = \min(1 - |\max(a, d) - \max(b, c)|, 1 - |\min(a, d) - \min(b, c)|)$
- $a : b ::_C c : d = 1$   
 $\Leftrightarrow \min(a, d) = \min(b, c)$  and  $\max(a, d) = \max(b, c)$   
 Only patterns  $(s, s, t, t)$ ,  $(s, t, s, t)$  (and  $(s, s, s, s)$ )  
 enable the analogical proportion to be fully true!!
- $a : b ::_L c : d = 1 \Rightarrow a : b ::_C c : d = 1$
- For instance,  $0 : 0.5 ::_L 0.5 : 1 = 1$ ,  
 while  $0 : 0.5 ::_C 0.5 : 1 = 0.5$

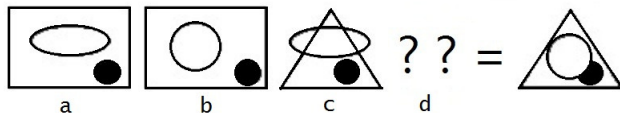
# Analogical inference

- Equation  $a : b :: c : x$  may not have a solution in  $\mathbb{B}$   
neither  $0 : 1 :: 1 : x$  nor  $1 : 0 :: 0 : x$  have a solution
- when it exists (iff  $(a \equiv b) \vee (a \equiv c)$  holds) it is unique
- $x = c \equiv (a \equiv b)$  (S. Klein 1982)
- Applies to Boolean vectors : look for  $\vec{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$   
s.t.  $\vec{a} : \vec{b} :: \vec{c} : \vec{x}$  holds :  
 $\Rightarrow n$  equations  $a_i : b_i :: c_i : x_i$

analogical proportion solving process may be *creative*

$$\vec{x} \neq \vec{a}, \vec{x} \neq \vec{b}, \vec{x} \neq \vec{c}$$

# Solving a puzzle



Example encoded with 5 Boolean predicates

$hasRectangle(hR)$ ,  $hasBlackDot(hBD)$ ,  $hasTriangle(hT)$   
 $hasCircle(hC)$ ,  $hasEllipse(hE)$  (in that order)

	$hR$	$hBD$	$hT$	$hC$	$hE$
<b><i>a</i></b>	1	1	0	0	1
<b><i>b</i></b>	1	1	0	1	0
<b><i>c</i></b>	0	1	1	0	1
<b><i>x</i></b>	?	?	?	?	?
	0	1	1	1	0

# The set counterpart

The analogical equation in  $D$  :

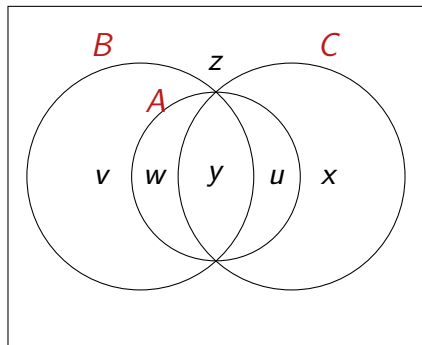
$$(A : B :: C : D)$$

has a solution iff

$$B \cap C \subseteq A \subseteq B \cup C$$

The solution is then unique and has the value

$$D = ((B \cup C) \setminus A) \cup (B \cap C)$$



$$D = v \cup x \cup y$$

# General analogical inference

$$\frac{\forall i \in \{1, \dots, p\}, \quad a_i : b_i :: c_i : d_i \text{ holds}}{\forall j \in \{p + 1, \dots, n\}, \quad a_j : b_j :: c_j : d_j \text{ holds}}$$

(Stroppa, Yvon, 2005)

- analogical reasoning amounts to finding completely informed **triples**  $(\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c})$  suitable for inferring the missing value(s) of an **incompletely informed** item  $(\vec{d})$
- if *several triples* leading to distinct conclusions a *voting* procedure may be used
- extends to **gradual** analogical proportions



# Classification

- direct application of general inference principle
- one has to predict a class  $cl(\vec{x})$  (viewed as a nominal attribute) for a new item  $\vec{x}$
- successively applied to  
Boolean, nominal and numerical attributes
- analogical classifiers **always give exact predictions** when the classification process is governed by an **affine Boolean function** (which includes **x-or functions**) and *only in this case* does not prevent to get good results in other cases (as observed in practice)
- **analogical proportions enforces a form of linearity**

# Logical reading of conformity

- $Even(a, b, c, d) =_{def} H_4(a, b, c, d) \vee Eq(a, b, c, d)$   
 where  $Eq(a, b, c, d) =_{def} (d = a) \wedge (d = b) \wedge (d = c)$   
 $H_4(a, b, c, d) = 1$  if  $(a, b, c, d) \in$   
 $\{(1, 1, 0, 1), (1, 0, 1, 1), (0, 1, 1, 1), (0, 0, 1, 0), (0, 1, 0, 0), (1, 0, 0, 0)\}$   
 $H_4(a, b, c, d) = 0$  otherwise.  
 $H_4(a, b, c, d) = 1$  iff there is an *intruder* value  $\neq d$  in  
 $\{a, b, c, d\}$
- $Even(a, b, c, d)$  unchanged for any permutation of  
 $\{a, b, c\}$   
 $Even(a, b, c, d) = Even(\bar{a}, \bar{b}, \bar{c}, \bar{d})$

## Conformity of vector $d$ with set $\mathcal{C}$

- for a feature  $i$

$$Even(\mathcal{C}, d_i) = \sum_{(\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c}) \in \mathcal{C}^3} Even(a_i, b_i, c_i, d_i)$$

$Even(\mathcal{C}, d_i)$  high: there are few exceptions in  $\mathcal{C}$ , distinct from  $d_i$

- wrt all features :  $Even(\mathcal{C}, \vec{d}) =_{def} \sum_{i=1}^n Even(\mathcal{C}, d_i)$
- normalization :  $Even^*(\mathcal{C}, \vec{d}) = \frac{|\mathcal{C}|}{\binom{|\mathcal{C}|}{3}} Even(\mathcal{C}, \vec{d})$

where  $Even^*(\mathcal{C}, \vec{d}) \in [0, n]$ .

Classification algorithm : put the new item  $\vec{d}$  in the class  $\mathcal{C}$  that maximizes  $Even^*(\mathcal{C}, \vec{d})$

# Analogical prediction of preferences

$$\forall j \in [[1, n]], a_j^1 : b_j^1 :: c_j^1 : d_j^1 \text{ and } a_j^2 : b_j^2 :: c_j^2 : d_j^2$$

$$\vec{a}^1 \preceq \vec{a}^2; \vec{b}^1 \preceq \vec{b}^2; \vec{c}^1 \preceq \vec{c}^2$$

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$$\vec{d}^1 \preceq \vec{d}^2$$

$$\forall j \in [[1, n]], a_j : b_j :: c_j : d_j$$

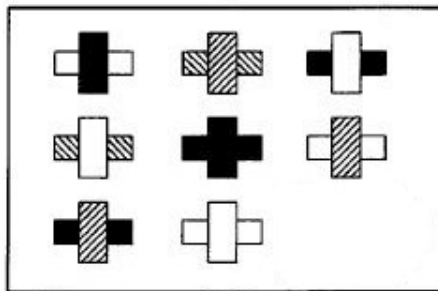
$$\vec{a} \preceq \vec{b},$$

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$$\vec{c} \preceq \vec{d}$$

## Raven tests : the solution is built, and not chosen

**IQ tests** : one is faced with a  $3 \times 3$  matrix with 8 cells containing pictures; one has to guess what is the right content of the empty **9th cell**, *among 8 proposed solutions*



$(a,b) : f(a,b) : : (c,d) : f(c,d)$

$(pi[1, 1], pi[1, 2]) : pi[1, 3] :: (pi[2, 1], pi[2, 2]) : pic[2, 3]) ::$

$(pi[3, 1], pic[3, 2]) : pi[3, 3])$

$(pi[1, 1], pi[2, 1]) : pi[3, 1] :: (pi[1, 2], pi[2, 2]) : pi[3, 2]) ::$

$(pi[1, 3], pi[2, 3]) : pi[3, 3])$

	1	2	3	
1	WB	GG	BW	
2	GW	BB	WG	
3	BG	WW	?i?ii	?i?ii = GB

- for the horizontal bars :

$(W,G) : B : : (G, B) : W$

$(W,G) : B : : (B,W) : ?i$

$(W,G) : B : : (G, B) : W$

$(W,G) : B : : (B,W) : ?i$

(horizontal analysis)

(horizontal analysis)

(vertical analysis)

(vertical analysis)

- for the vertical bars :

$(B,G) : W : : (W, B) : G$

$(B,G) : W : : (G,W) : ?ii$

$(B,W) : G : : (G, B) : W$

$(B,W) : G : : (W,G) : ?ii$

## Predicting by analogy the expected value of a decision

- *generic scenario* : decision  $\delta$  experienced in 2 situations  $sit_1$ ,  $sit_2$ 
  - in the presence or not of *special circumstances*,
  - leading to *good* or *bad* results

depending on absence or presence of special circumstances

case	situation	special circumstances	decision	result
a	$sit_1$	yes	$\delta$	<i>bad</i>
b	$sit_1$	no	$\delta$	<i>good</i>
c	$sit_2$	yes	$\delta$	<i>bad</i>
d	$sit_2$	no	$\delta$	<b><i>good</i></b>

- **case-based** decision view : case  $d$  may be found *quite similar* to  $c$

**BUT** a careful examination of cases  $a, b, c$  suggests another conclusion

- we may have in repository  $R$  a pair of cases  $(a', c')$  about  $sit_3$  which may be a *counter-example* (or not) to what  $a, b, c$  suggest
  - *different triples* may lead to different predictions for the case  $d$

under consideration                      *majority vote?* other methods?

## Modifying a decision by analogy

- a repertory of **recommended actions** in a *variety of circumstances* to take advantage of the **creative** capabilities of analogy for adapting a decision to the new situation :
  - ☐ useful when decision has diverse options
- decisions : *Serve a tea with or without sugar, with or without milk*
  - in situation  $sit_1$  with contraindication ( $c\ i$ ), serve **tea only**
  - in situation  $sit_1$  with no  $c\ i$ , serve **tea with sugar**
  - in situation  $sit_2$  with  $c\ i$  serve **tea with milk**

What to do in situation  $sit_2$  with no  $c\ i$ ?

Common sense suggests **tea with sugar and milk**

case	situation	contraindication	decision	option1	option2
$a$	$sit_1$	yes	$\delta$	0	0
$b$	$sit_1$	no	$\delta$	1	0
$c$	$sit_2$	yes	$\delta$	0	1
$d$	$sit_2$	no	$\delta$	1	1



## Links and differences with case-based reasoning

- analogical proportion-based inference  $\neq$  CBR :  
takes advantage of **triples** for extrapolating conclusions  
while CBR exploits the similarity of the new case with  
stored cases considered one by one
- although “ $\langle \textit{solution}_1 \rangle$  is to  $\langle \textit{problem}_1 \rangle$  as  
 $\langle \textit{solution}_2 \rangle$  is to  $\langle \textit{problem}_2 \rangle$ ”  
may be regarded as an analogical proportion,  
the view presented here assumes that the vectors  
representing the 4 items in the analogical proportion “ $\vec{a}$   
is to  $\vec{b}$  as  $\vec{c}$  is to  $\vec{d}$ ” are *all defined on the same set of  
features*

# Analogical inequalities

- “ $a$  is to  $b$  at least as much as  $c$  is to  $d$ ”
- $a : b \ll c : d =$   
 $((a \wedge \neg b) \rightarrow (c \wedge \neg d)) \wedge ((\neg a \wedge b) \rightarrow (\neg c \wedge d))$
- - $a : b \ll a : b$
  - $a : b :: c : d \Rightarrow a : b \ll c : d$
  - $a : b :: c : d \Leftrightarrow ((a : b \ll c : d) \wedge (c : d \ll a : b))$
  - $(a : b \ll c : d) \Leftrightarrow (\neg a : \neg b \ll \neg c : \neg d)$
- $a : b \ll c : d$  holds true for the 6 patterns  
 that makes analogical proportion true,  
 plus the 4 patterns 0001, 0010, 1110, 1101  
 $a : b \ll c : d$  true iff  $(a : b :: c : d) \vee (a \equiv b)$  true
- When extended to the multiple-valued case, might  
 be of interest in *visual multiple-class categorization task*  
 for handling knowledge about semantic relationships

## The analogical proportion-based inference view

As seen in analogy-based decision, we would rather suggest to exploit analogical proportions of the form

$$(\langle problem_1 \rangle, \langle solution_1 \rangle) : (\langle problem_2 \rangle, \langle solution_2 \rangle) :: (\langle problem_3 \rangle, \langle solution_3 \rangle) : (\langle problem_0 \rangle, \langle solution_0 \rangle)$$

for extrapolating  $\langle solution_0 \rangle$  from 3 known cases

$(\{(\langle problem_i \rangle, \langle solution_i \rangle) \mid i = 1, 3\})$  by solving  $\langle solution_1 \rangle : \langle solution_2 \rangle :: \langle solution_3 \rangle : \langle solution_0 \rangle$

where  $\langle solution_0 \rangle$  is unknown,

provided that

$\langle problem_1 \rangle : \langle problem_2 \rangle :: \langle problem_3 \rangle : \langle problem_0 \rangle$  holds

# Analical Proportion, Proportional Analogy, and Analogy

Analical Proportion : four objets of the same kind

A foal is to a mare as a calf is to a cow.

fins are to scales as wings are to feathers.

Proportional Analogy : two couples of objects of the same kind

A foal is to equines as a calf is to bovines.

fins are to fishes as wings are to birds.

Analogy : Proportional Analogy shortened as a kind of metaphor

fins are the wings of fishes.

Metaphor

fins are like wings.

life is a journey.

# Formal Concept Analysis - Example of four concepts in WAP

	1	2	3	4
<i>a</i>			×	×
<i>b</i>	×		×	
<i>c</i>		×		×
<i>d</i>	×	×		

*a* Foal  
*b* Mare  
*c* Calf  
*d* Cow

1 Female and adult  
 2 Bovine  
 3 Equine  
 4 Young

A Foal (Young Equine)

is to

a Mare (Female adult Equine)

as

A Calf (Young Bovine)

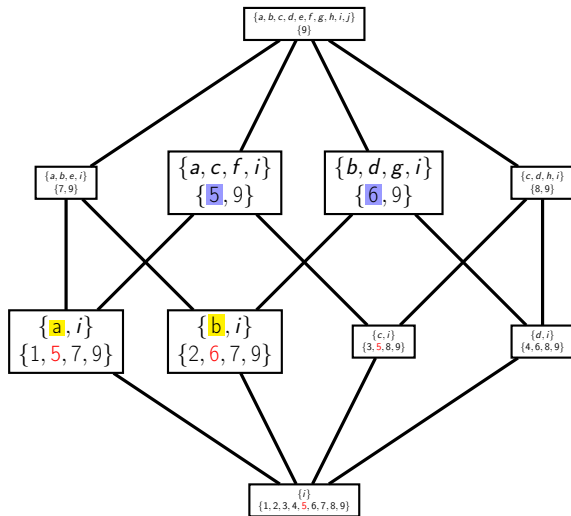
is to

a Cow (Female adult Bovine)

# Fins are to Fishes as Wings are to Birds.

<i>i</i> :	Part of an animal	9 :	Part of an animal
<i>a</i> :	Fins	5 :	Part of a Fish
<i>b</i> :	Wings	6 :	Part of a Bird
<i>c</i> :	Scales	7 :	Mobility part
<i>d</i> :	Feathers	8 :	Covering part
<i>e</i> :	Gills	1 :	Part of a Whale
<i>f</i> :	Beak	2 :	Part of a Bat
<i>g</i> :	Hooves	3 :	Part of a Snake
<i>h</i> :	Thick fur	4 :	Part of a Deinonychus

Fins are to Fishes as Wings are to Birds.  $a$  is to 5 as  $b$  is to 6.



	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
a	×				×		×		×
b		×					×	×	×
c			×		×			×	×
d				×		×		×	×
e					×				×
f						×			×
g							×		×
h								×	×
i	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×

# Concept Lattices

## Weak Analogical Proportion between Concepts

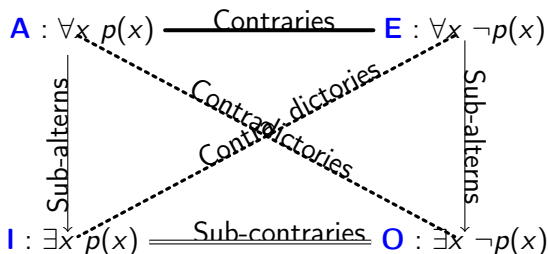
$$\boxed{\begin{matrix} \{a, i\} \\ \{1, 5, 7, 9\} \end{matrix}} : \boxed{\begin{matrix} \{b, i\} \\ \{2, 6, 7, 9\} \end{matrix}} :: \boxed{\begin{matrix} \{c, i\} \\ \{3, 5, 8, 9\} \end{matrix}} : \boxed{\begin{matrix} \{d, i\} \\ \{4, 6, 8, 9\} \end{matrix}}$$

## Proportional Analogy : two objects, two attributes

	$a$	is to	5	as	$b$	is to	6
	$a$	$\updownarrow$	5	$\Updownarrow$	$b$	$\updownarrow$	6
Fins	are to	Fishes	as	Wings	are to	Birds	



# The square of opposition



Aristotle

Affirmo / NegO

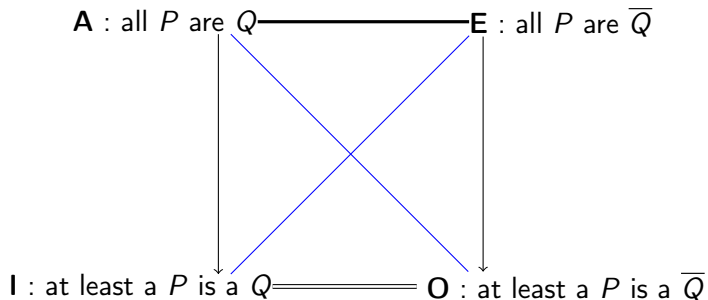
Another instance :

$A : \Box p$     $E : \Box \neg p$     $I : \Diamond p$     $O : \Diamond \neg p$

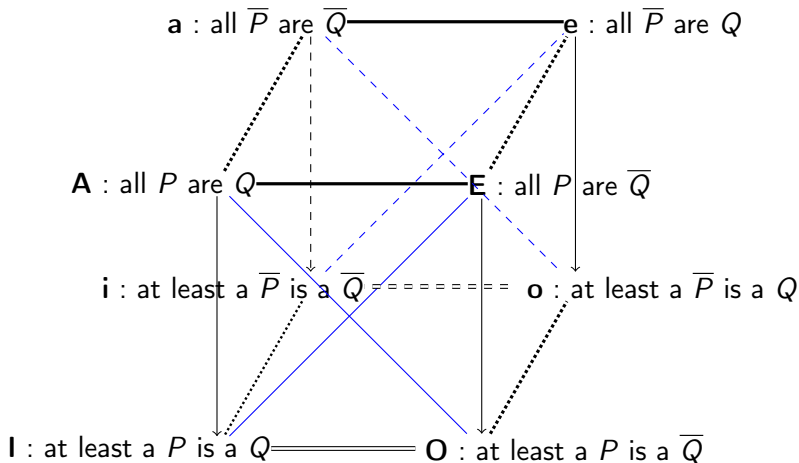
where  $\Diamond p =_{def} \neg \Box \neg p$

(with  $p \neq \perp, \top$ )

# From square to cube



# Cube of opposition (after De Morgan)



6 squares! 4 different structures ...

# Piaget's group of logical transformations

logical formula  $\phi = f(p, q, r, \dots)$

- identity  $I(\phi) = \phi$
- negation  $N(\phi) = \neg\phi$
- reciprocation  $R(\phi) = f(\neg p, \neg q, \neg r, \dots)$
- correlation  $C(\phi) = \neg f(\neg p, \neg q, \neg r, \dots)$
- $N = RC$ ,  $R = NC$ ,  $C = NR$ , et  $I = NRC$

Klein's group with 4 elements

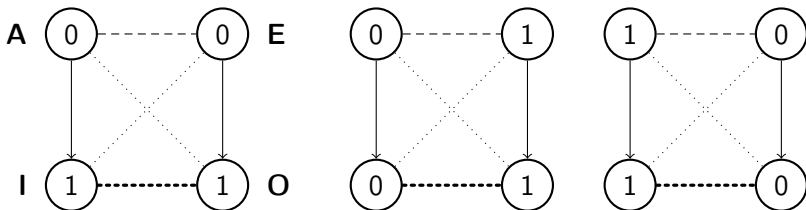
at work in the two *diagonal rectangles* **AaOo** and **Eeli**

## Example : Propositional view of the analogical proportion

- Analogical proportion “ $a$  is to  $b$  as  $c$  is to  $d$ ”
- $a : b :: c : d$   
 $= ((a \wedge \neg b) \equiv (c \wedge \neg d)) \wedge ((\neg a \wedge b) \equiv (\neg c \wedge d))$
- $a$  **differs** from  $b$  as  $c$  **differs** from  $d$ , and  
 conversely,  $b$  **differs** from  $a$  as  $d$  **differs** from  $c$
- true for the following **6** patterns :  
 $0 : 1 :: 0 : 1$      $1 : 0 :: 1 : 0$      $1 : 1 :: 0 : 0$   
 $0 : 0 :: 1 : 1$      $1 : 1 :: 1 : 1$      $0 : 0 :: 0 : 0$
- both a matter of a *similarity* and *dissimilarity*

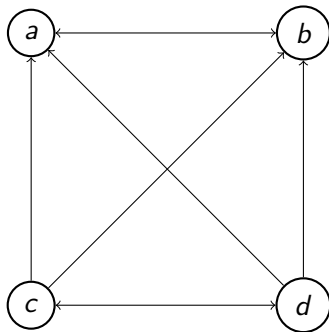
# A valid square of opposition makes an analogical proportion true !

- A, E, I, O as the (Boolean-valued) vertices of a square of opposition  
 $A : E :: I : O$  form an analogical proportion when taken in this order  
 since  $0 : 0 :: 1 : 1$ ,  $0 : 1 :: 0 : 1$  and  $1 : 0 :: 1 : 0$   
 are 3 of the 6 patterns that make an analogical proportion true  
 3 valid squares :



- What about the 3 other patterns  $1 : 1 :: 0 : 0$ ,  $1 : 1 :: 1 : 1$  and  $0 : 0 :: 0 : 0$ ?

# They make ... a square of agreement



# The cube of opposition of comparison indicators

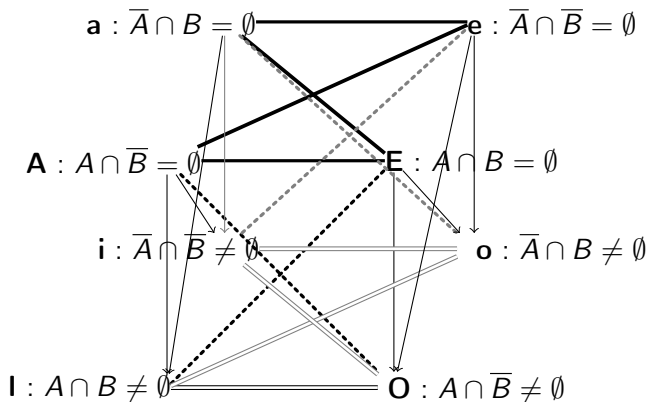


Figure – Cube of opposition of comparison indicators



## Analogical proportion obtained from two pairs of mutually exclusive properties

$(q \wedge q' = \perp, r \wedge r' = \perp)$ , and considering four items  $a, a', b, b'$  respectively described on the 4 properties  $(q, r, r', q')$  by  $(1, 1, 0, 0)$ ,  $(1, 0, 1, 0)$ ,  $(0, 1, 0, 1)$ ,  $(0, 0, 1, 1)$ . For any vector component,  $(a_i \wedge \neg a'_i \equiv b_i \wedge \neg b'_i) \wedge (\neg a_i \wedge a'_i \equiv \neg b_i \wedge b'_i)$  holds true, where  $a = (a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4)$   
 $a, a', b, b'$  make a kind of *square of opposition* (not the traditional one!) in the sense that  $a, a'$  satisfy  $q$  while  $b, b'$  satisfy  $q'$ , and  $a, b$  satisfy  $r$  while  $a', b'$  satisfy  $r'$ . Diagonals  $ab'$  and  $a'b$  link items that are *opposite* wrt properties  $q, q', r, r'$ .

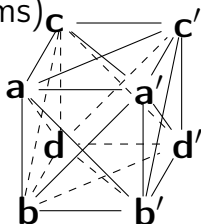
# A new cube of opposition

Table 1	s (animal)	p (canid)	q (tame)	r (young)	r' (adult)	q' (wild)	p' (suidae)	s' (plant)
<b>a</b> puppy	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
<b>a'</b> dog	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
<b>b</b> wolfcub	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
<b>b'</b> wolf	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
<b>c</b> piglet	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
<b>c'</b> pig	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
<b>d</b> yg.wd.boar	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
<b>d'</b> wildboar	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0

$$a/a'/b/b'/c/c'/d/d'$$

$$= (a : a' :: b : b') \wedge (a' : b' :: c' : d') \wedge (a : a' :: c : c')$$

The cube is associated to 128 syntactically distinct analogical proportions (including 32 degenerated ones with only 1 or 2 distinct items)



# Conclusion

## Present

- Analogy *formalized* in terms of *analogical proportion*
- It is both a matter of similarity and dissimilarity
- It belongs to the rich setting of logical proportions
- *Powerful* tool for different tasks : puzzle, IQ tests, creativity, ...
- *Competitive* results in classification and prediction
- *Shift of paradigm wrt similarity-based reasoning* : consider **pairs** of examples, can work with few data
- Provides a basis for interpolation and extrapolation

## Future : This is just a beginning !

- *Theoretical issues* :
  - better understanding of why / how analogical classification works
  - (other) logical proportions : potential use ?
  - link / hybridization with other machine learning paradigms
  - joint use of analogical proportions and formal concept analysis
- Back to cognitive sciences

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