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DISSERTATION
ABSTRACT

The Algebraic Structure of Propositions Booleanism is the thesis that logically equivalent propositions are identical. While this theory has received widespread acceptance throughout the 20th century, usually in the form of the possible worlds conception of propositions, it faces a problem with the attitudes. The first part of my dissertation is a defense of Booleanism. In the latter parts of my dissertation, I go on to use an abductive approach to address further problems that arise when we attempt construct general theories of propositions, properties and relations, focusing in particular on the theory of logical form, the theory of representation and the theory of explanation.

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PUBLICATIONS Forthcoming "Indefinite Extensibility and the Principle of Sufficient Reason."

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"Phenomenal Properties are Luminous Properties"

"Structure is not an Aim of Belief"

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	Fall 2016	University of Notre Dame. Teaching Assistant, <i>Introduction to Philosophy</i> , w/ Jeff Speaks, University of Notre Dame.
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