# **BSc Notes**

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# 1 Theoretical Background

### 1.1 Relations & Predicates

**Notation** For a binary relation  $R \subseteq X \times Y$  we consider the following notations to be semantically equivalent:

$$R(x,y) = xRy := (x,y) \in R$$

For that reason, relationships and predicates should be thought of as interchangeable.

**Composition of Relations** We define the composition of two binary relations  $R \subseteq X \times Y$  and  $S \subseteq Y \times X$  as:

$$S \circ R = \{(x, y) | \exists z \in Y : xRz \land zSy\}$$

**Transitive Closures of Relations:**  $\mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^*$  For a binary relation R on a set X ( $R \subseteq X \times X$ ) we define its *transitive closures*  $R^+$  and  $R^*$  as

$$R^0 := \{(x,x)|x \in X\}$$
 
$$R^1 := R$$
 
$$R^{n+1} := R \circ R^n$$
 
$$R^+ := \bigcup_{1 \le n} R^n$$
 
$$R^* := \bigcup_{0 \le n} R^n = R^0 \cup R^+$$

### 1.2 Mereologoy

### Parthood [1]

**Definition 1** (Parthood). The binary relation partOf and defined:

$$partOf \subseteq X \times Y$$

and literally means that one element of set X may be component or part of an element of set Y. We do not make any assumption of the relationship between both sets. However, we assume partOf to be ...

- 1. **reflexive**  $\forall x \in X$ ,: partOf(x, x)
- 2.  $antysymmetric \ \forall (x,y) \in X \times Y : partOf(x,y) \land partOf(y,x) \Rightarrow x = y$
- 3.  $transitive \ \forall x, y, z \in L : partOf(x, y) \land partOf(y, z) \Rightarrow partOf(x, z)$

Axiom 1 (M4) content...

Corollary 1 (Transitive Closures of PartOf). For the transitve closures

$$partOf^+, partOf^* \in L \times L$$

of partOf holds:

- 1.  $partOf^+ \subset partOf^*$
- 2.  $\forall x, y \in L : x \neq y \land \mathsf{partOf}(x, y) \Rightarrow \mathsf{partOf}^+(x, y)$
- 3.  $\forall x, y \in L : partOf^+(x, y) \Rightarrow partOf^*(x, y)$
- 4.  $\forall x \in L : \mathsf{partOf}^*(x, x)$

Proper Parts, Overlaps & Underlaps

Definition 2 (Proper Part).

$$\forall x \in X, y \in Y : properPartOf(x, y) : \Leftrightarrow partOf(x, y) \land \neg partOf(y, x)$$

Definition 3 (Overlap).

$$\forall x \in X, y \in Y : overlaps(x, y) : \Leftrightarrow \exists z (partOf(z, x) \land partOf(z, y))$$

Definition 4 (Underlap).

$$\forall x \in X, y \in Y : underlaps(x, y) : \Leftrightarrow \exists z (partOf(x, z) \land partOf(y, z))$$

Definition 5 (Sum).

$$underlaps(x,y) \Rightarrow \exists u \forall v (overlaps(v,u) \Leftrightarrow (overlaps(v,x) \lor overlaps(v,y)))$$
$$\Rightarrow \exists u \forall v (overlaps(v,u) \Leftrightarrow (overlaps(v,x) \lor overlaps(v,y)))$$

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- 1.3 Mereotopologoy
- 1.4 Grammars & Languages
- 2 A Mereologoy for Languages
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