



Tutorial: An Introduction to  
Logical Geometry: part III  
Visual-geometric properties of diagrams

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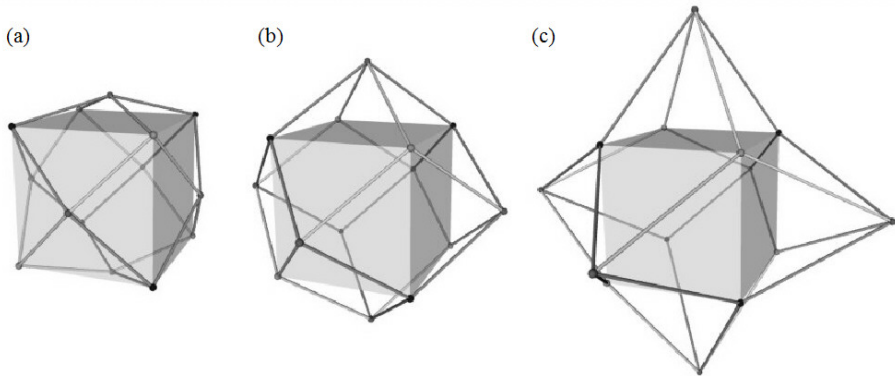
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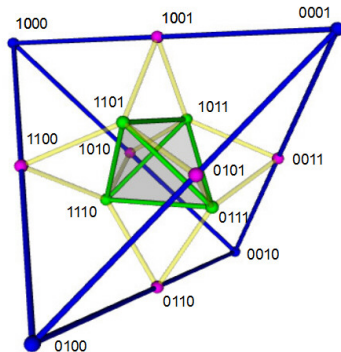
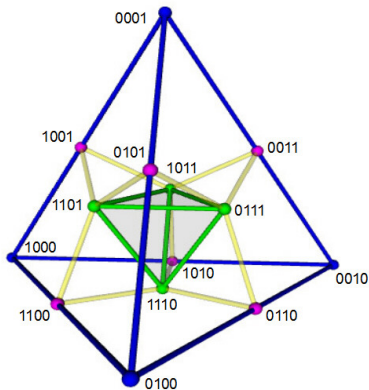
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$\Box p$	$p \wedge q$	1000	0111	$\neg(p \wedge q)$	$\neg\Box p$
$\neg\Box p \wedge p$	$\neg(p \rightarrow q)$	0100	1011	$p \rightarrow q$	$\Box p \vee \neg p$
$\Diamond p \wedge \neg p$	$\neg(p \leftrightarrow q)$	0010	1101	$p \leftrightarrow q$	$\neg\Diamond p \vee p$
$\neg\Diamond p$	$\neg(p \vee q)$	0001	1110	$p \vee q$	$\Diamond p$

Modal Logic S5	Propositional Logic	bitstrings level 2/0	bitstrings level 2/4	Propositional Logic	Modal Logic S5
$p$	$p$	1100	0011	$\neg p$	$\neg p$
$\Box p \vee (\Diamond p \wedge \neg p)$	$q$	1010	0101	$\neg q$	$\neg\Diamond p \vee (\neg\Box p \wedge p)$
$\Box p \vee \neg\Diamond p$	$p \leftrightarrow q$	1001	0110	$\neg(p \leftrightarrow q)$	$\neg\Box p \wedge \Diamond p$
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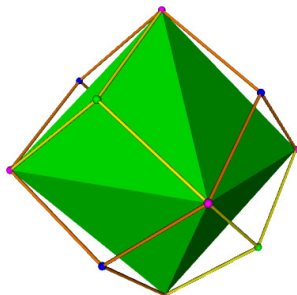
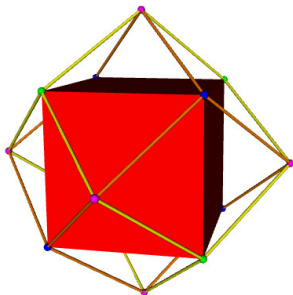
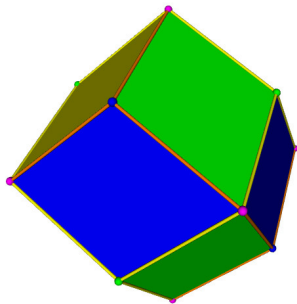
- (a) tetra-hexahedron (Sauriol)
- (b) **rhombic dodecahedron = RDH** (Smessaert-Demey)
- (c) tetra-icosahedron (Moretti-Pellissier)



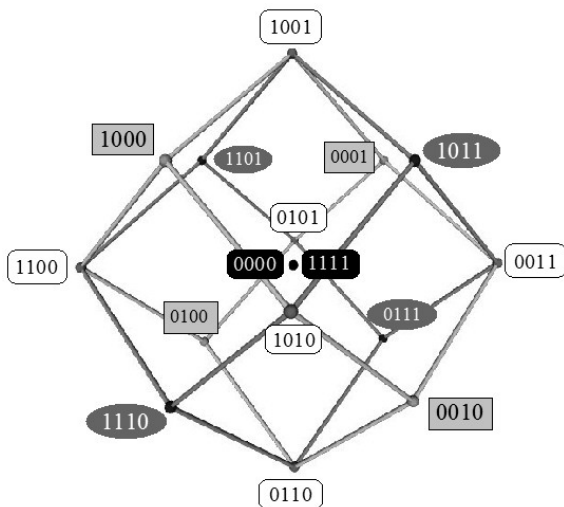
- (d) nested tetrahedron (Lewis, Dubois-Prade)



cube	+	octahedron	=	cuboctahedron	$\xrightarrow{\text{dual}}$	<b>rhombic dodecahedron</b>
Platonic		Platonic		Archimedean		Catalan
6 faces		8 faces		14 faces		<b>12 faces</b>
8 vertices		6 vertices		12 vertices		<b>14 vertices</b>
12 edges		12 edges		24 edges		<b>24 edges</b>



cube =  $4 \times L1 + 4 \times L3$  / octahedron =  $6 \times L2$  / center =  $L0 + L4$



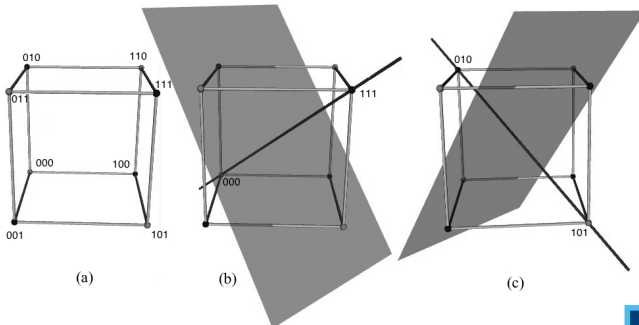


Contradiction relation is visualized using the **central symmetry** of RDH:

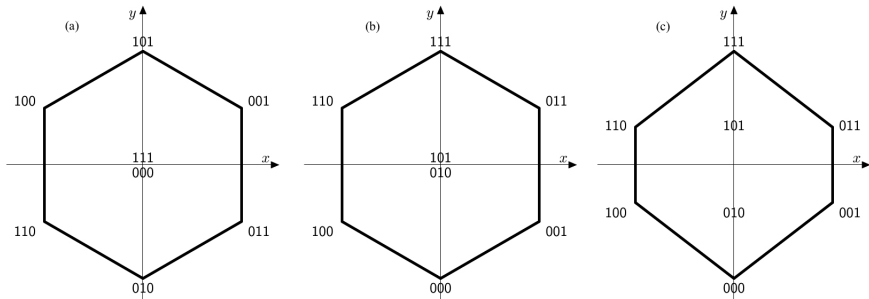
- contradictory bitstrings (e.g. 1100 and 0011) occupy diametrically opposed vertices
- the negation of a bitstring is located at a maximal (Euclidean) distance from that bitstring.
- nearly all Aristotelian diagrams discussed in the literature observe central symmetry (“contradictories are diagonals”)

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- in (a) the cube consists of 4 pairs of diametrically opposed vertices:
  - 3 contingent pairs:  $101—010$ ,  $110—001$ ,  $011—100$
  - 1 non-contingent pair:  $111—000$
  - each pair defines a projection axis for a **vertex-first projection**:
- in (b) projection along  $111—000$  axis
- in (c) projection along  $101—010$  axis



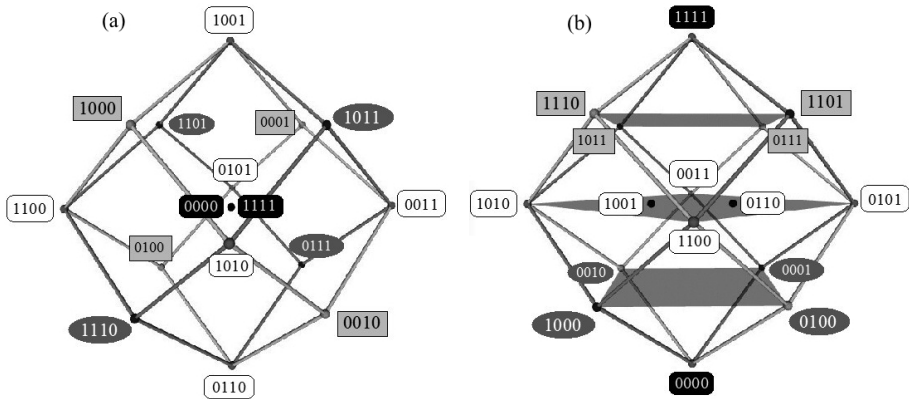
- the **vertex-first projections** from 3D cube to 2D hexagon:
  - projection along  $111-000 \Rightarrow$  Aristotelian diagram (JSB)
  - projection along  $101-010 \Rightarrow$  Hasse diagram (almost)
- if we slightly 'nudge' the projection axis  $101-010$ , we get:
  - projection 'along'  $101-010 \Rightarrow$  Hasse diagram



- Aristotelian and Hasse diagram: both **vertex-first projections** of cube
  - Aristotelian diagram: project along the entailment direction
  - Hasse diagram: project along another direction
- the non-contingent formulas  $\perp$  and  $\top$ 
  - Hasse diagrams: begin- and endpoint of the  $\leq$ -ordering
  - Aristotelian diagrams:  $\perp$  and  $\top$  usually *not* visualized
  - Sauriol, Smessaert, etc.:  $\perp$  and  $\top$  coincide in the center of symmetry
- the general direction of the entailments
  - Hasse diagrams: all entailments go upwards
  - Aristotelian diagrams: no single shared direction
- visualization of the levels
  - Hasse diagrams: levels  $L_i$  are visualized as horizontal hyperplanes
  - Aristotelian diagrams: no uniform visualization of levels

the **vertex-first projections** from 4D hypercube to 3D RDH:

- (a) as an Aristotelian diagram (Moretti, Smessaert, etc.)
- (b) as a Hasse diagram (Zellweger, Kauffman, etc.)

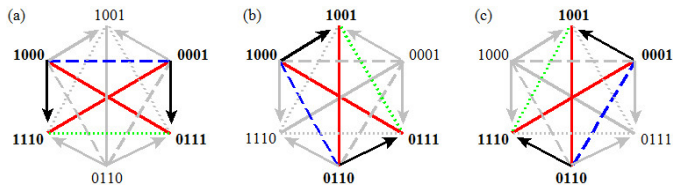


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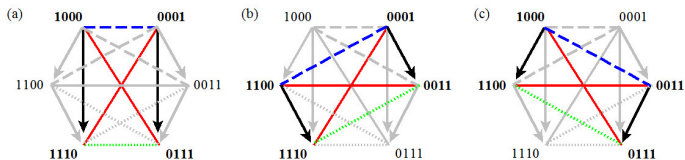
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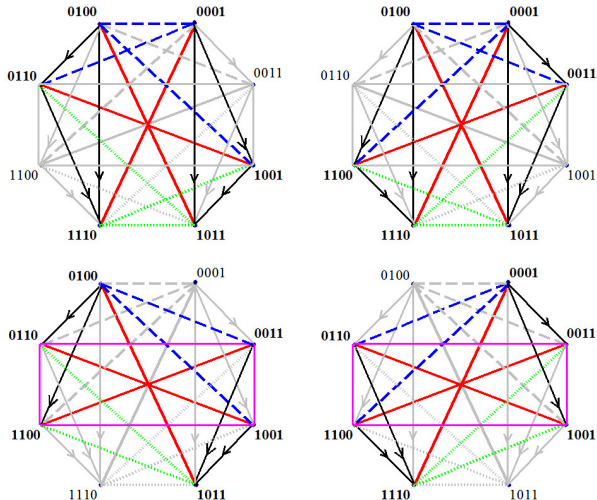
## 3 squares embedded in (strong) Jacoby-Sesmat-Blanché hexagon (JSB)



## 3 squares embedded in Sherwood-Czezowski hexagon (SC)



## 4 hexagons embedded in Buridan octagon



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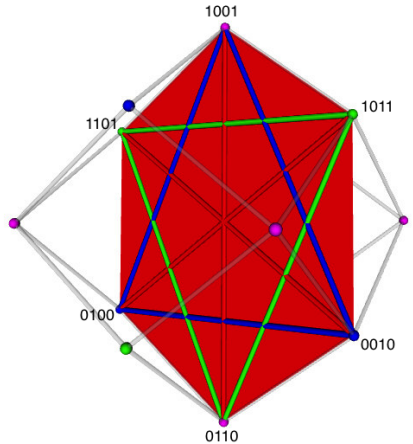
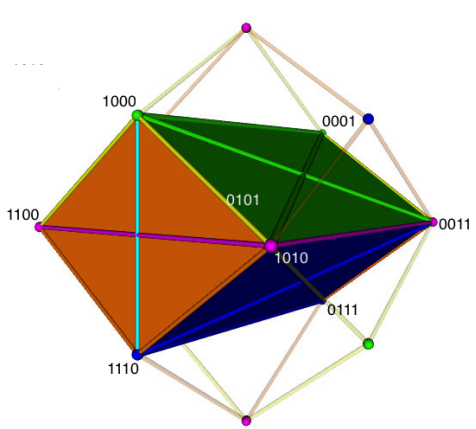
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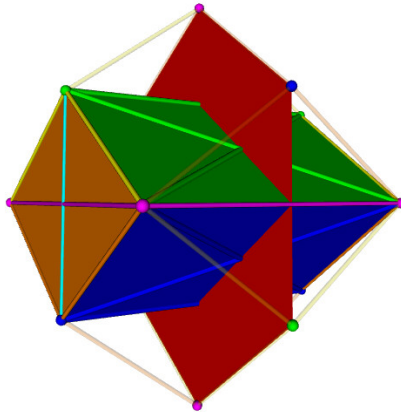
- logical complementarity between Buridan diagram and JSB diagram
  - $\mathbb{B}_4$  has 16 bitstrings (14 after excluding 1111 and 0000)
  - 8 bitstrings have  $\neq$  values in bit positions 1 and 4  $\Rightarrow$  Buridan diagram
  - 8 bitstrings have  $=$  values in bit positions 1 and 4; 6 after excluding 1111 and 0000  $\Rightarrow$  JSB diagram

1000	0111		1001	0110
0001	1110		1101	0010
1100	0011		1011	0100
0101	1010		(0000)	(1111)

- geometric complementarity between rhombicube and hexagon
  - Buridan embedded inside RDH: rhombicube  $\Rightarrow$  partition
  - JSB embedded inside RDH: hexagon  $\Rightarrow$  of RDH
- rhombicube visualization of Buridan diagram
  - geometric complementarity with JSB hexagon
  - reminder of underlying logical complementarity

# Logico-Geometrical Complementarity: Rhombicube/Hexagon 22





# Overview

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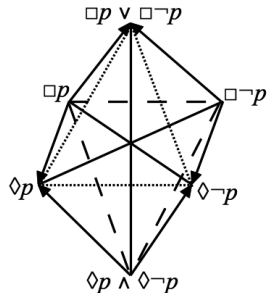
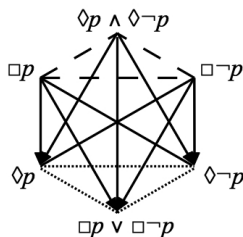
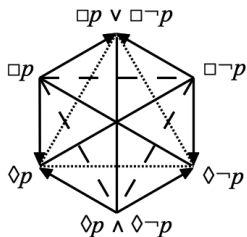
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- Aristotelian families are defined in terms of logical properties
  - Aristotelian relations
    - ▶ classical square: 2 CD, 1 C, 1 SC, 2 SA
    - ▶ degenerate square: 2 CD
  - Boolean structure
    - ▶ classical square: Boolean closure is (isomorphic to)  $\mathbb{B}_3$
    - ▶ degenerate square: Boolean closure is (isomorphic to)  $\mathbb{B}_4$
- diagrams belonging to different Aristotelian families are not *informationally equivalent* (Larkin & Simon)
  - visualize different logical structures
  - differences between diagrams  $\leftrightarrow$  differences between logical structures
- if we focus on diagrams belonging to the same Aristotelian family, we notice that different authors still use vastly different diagrams

- different visualizations of the JSB hexagon:



- these diagrams are *informationally equivalent*, but not *computationally equivalent* (Larkin & Simon)
  - visualize one and the same logical structure
  - visual differences might influence diagrams' effectiveness (user comprehension of the underlying logical structure)

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- **Congruity Principle:**

The content/structure of the visualization should correspond to the content/structure of the desired mental representation.

- in good (cognitively helpful) Aristotelian diagrams, the diagrams' shape helps to visualize the logical properties and relations

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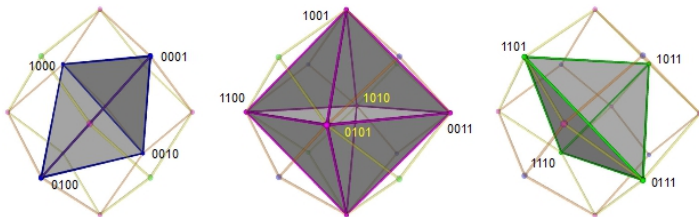
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properties, relations  
among sets of formulas

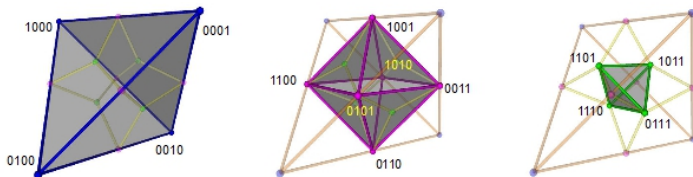
← isomorphism →  
congruity

shape characteristics  
of the diagrams

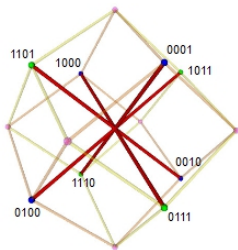
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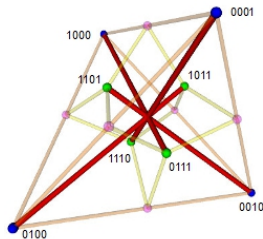
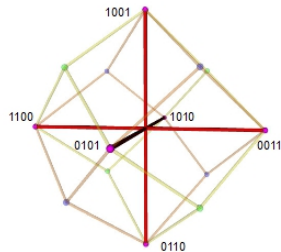
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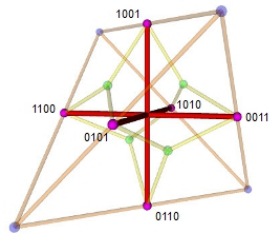
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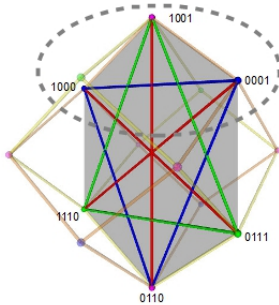


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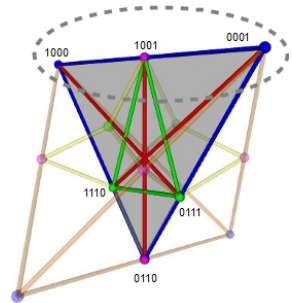
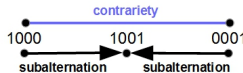
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## Apprehension Principle:

The content/structure of the visualization should be readily and correctly perceived and understood



rhombic dodecahedron  
no collinearity



nested tetrahedron  
collinearity

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- Part I: Decorations and bitstrings
  - Bitstrings: the basics
  - Decorations: applications in logic, linguistics and cognition
  - Bitstrings anno 2016
- Part II: Abstract-logical properties of diagrams
  - Logic: opposition relations versus implication relations
  - Logic: logic-sensitivity and Boolean subtypes
  - Logic: Aristotelian relations versus duality relations
- Part III: Visual-geometric properties of diagrams
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Future work in LG will focus on three main points:

1. Building an **overall typology** with two orthogonal perspectives:

- all diagrams (independent of number of PCDs) that can be coded with bitstrings of given length:
  - length 3 = internal structure of  $\mathbb{B}_3$ /JSB = 3 PCDs + 3 squares
  - length 4 = internal structure of  $\mathbb{B}_4$ /RDH = 7 PCDs + 21 squares + ...
  - length 5 = internal structure of  $\mathbb{B}_5$ /??? = 15 PCDs + ? squares + ...
- all diagrams (independent of bitstring length) that contain a given number of PCDs
  - 2 PCDs (square) = classical/degenerate
  - 3 PCDs (hexagon) = JSB/SC/U4/U8/U12
  - 4 PCDs (octagon) = 18 types of octagons (incl. Béziau/Buridan, ...)



## 2. Building an on-line **corpus/database** of diagrams:

- service to the research community
- interface for user submission of contributions

## 3. Case studies: new **applications/decorations**:

- contemporary:
  - knowledge representation & AI
  - weak axiomatizations of probability theory
  - proportionality quantifiers  $\Rightarrow$  see tomorrow
- historical:
  - Avicenna
  - Abelard/Buridan
  - Keynes/Johnson

**Thank you!**

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