



# Aristotelian diagrams for the proportional quantifier 'most'

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- **Aim:** study the **interaction** between 2 **four-formula fragments** that independently yield an opposition diagram:
  - the fragment  $\mathcal{F}_{FOL}$  with the **four FOL quantifiers**:

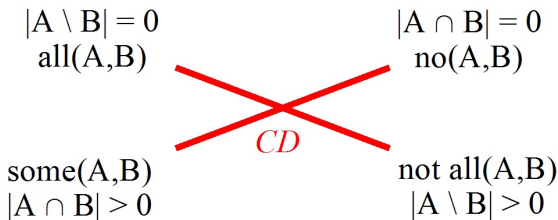
$$\mathcal{F}_{FOL} := \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{all}(A,B), & |A \setminus B| = 0 \\ \text{no}(A,B), & |A \cap B| = 0 \\ \text{some}(A,B), & |A \cap B| > 0 \\ \text{not all}(A,B) & \} \quad |A \setminus B| > 0 \end{array} \right.$$

- the fragment  $\mathcal{F}_{most}$  generated on the basis of the **proportional quantifier** *most*. In Generalized Quantifier Theory (GQT):  
*most*(A,B)  $\approx$  *more than half*(A,B):

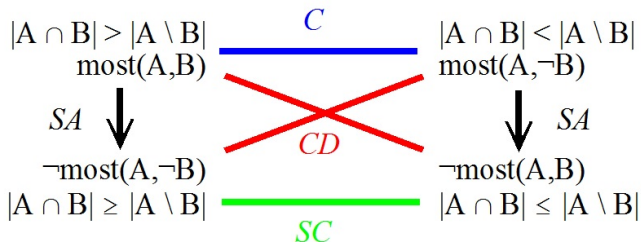
$$\mathcal{F}_{most} := \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{most}(A,B), & |A \cap B| > |A \setminus B| \\ \text{most}(A, \neg B), & |A \cap B| < |A \setminus B| \\ \neg \text{most}(A, \neg B), & |A \cap B| \geq |A \setminus B| \\ \neg \text{most}(A,B) & \} \quad |A \cap B| \leq |A \setminus B| \end{array} \right.$$

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- universal quantifiers *all* and *no* lack existential import in FOL
- the resulting constellation is a so-called **degenerate square**
  - only two *contradiction* (CD) relations on the diagonals
  - no *contrariety* (C) between *all* and *no*
  - no *subcontrariety* (SC) between *some* and *not all*
  - no *subalternation* (SA) from *all* to *some*, nor from *no* to *not all*
  - four pairs of *unconnectedness* (no Aristotelian relation whatsoever)
  - 'X of opposition'



- proportional quantifier *most* does have existential import: if *most A are B* then there is at least one A:  $|A \cap B| > |A \setminus B|$  entails  $|A| > 0$ .
- the resulting constellation is a so-called **classical Aristotelian square**
  - two *contradiction* (CD) relations on the diagonals
  - two *subalternation* (SA) relations
  - one *contrariety* (C) and one *subcontrariety* (SC) relation

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- The fragment  $\mathcal{F}_{FOL}$  induces the **partition**  $\Pi(\mathcal{F}_{FOL}) =$ 

$ A \setminus B  = 0 \ \& \  A  > 0,$	$\alpha_1$ : all A are B & there are A's
$ A \setminus B  > 0 \ \& \  A \cap B  > 0,$	$\alpha_2$ : some but not all A are B
$ A \cap B  = 0 \ \& \  A  > 0,$	$\alpha_3$ : no A are B & there are A's
$ A  = 0$	$\alpha_4$ : there are no A's
- $\Rightarrow$  quadripartition of logical space using 4 anchor formulas

- The **bitstring semantics**  $\beta_{FOL}$  for the fragment  $\mathcal{F}_{FOL}$ :

$\beta_{FOL}(all(A, B))$	<b>= 1001</b>	$ A \setminus B  = 0$
$\beta_{FOL}(no(A, B))$	<b>= 0011</b>	$ A \cap B  = 0$
$\beta_{FOL}(some(A, B))$	<b>= 1100</b>	$ A \cap B  > 0$
$\beta_{FOL}(not\ all(A, B))$	<b>= 0110</b>	$ A \setminus B  > 0$

$\Rightarrow$  a degenerate square requires bitstrings of length 4  
(Demey & Smessaert, 2018)



- The fragment  $\mathcal{F}_{most}$  induces the **partition**  $\Pi(\mathcal{F}_{most}) =$

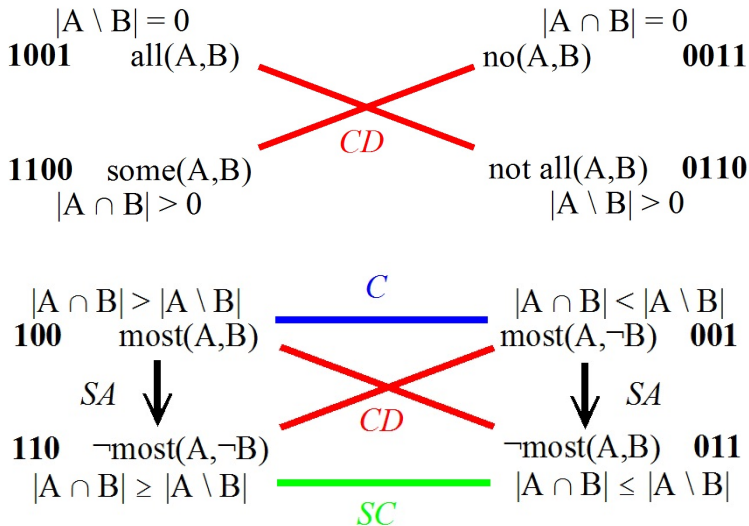
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} |A \cap B| > |A \setminus B|, & \alpha'_1: \text{More than half (A,B)} \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B|, & \alpha'_2: \text{Exactly half (A,B)} \\ |A \cap B| < |A \setminus B| & \alpha'_3: \text{Less than half (A,B)} \end{array} \right\}$$

$\Rightarrow$  tripartition of logical space using 3 anchor formulas

- The **bitstring semantics**  $\beta_{most}$  for the fragment  $\mathcal{F}_{most}$ :

$$\begin{array}{lll} \beta_{most}(most(A, B)) & = & \mathbf{100} & |A \cap B| > |A \setminus B| \\ \beta_{most}(most(A, \neg B)) & = & \mathbf{001} & |A \cap B| < |A \setminus B| \\ \beta_{most}(\neg most(A, \neg B)) & = & \mathbf{110} & |A \cap B| \geq |A \setminus B| \\ \beta_{most}(\neg most(A, B)) & = & \mathbf{011} & |A \cap B| \leq |A \setminus B| \end{array}$$

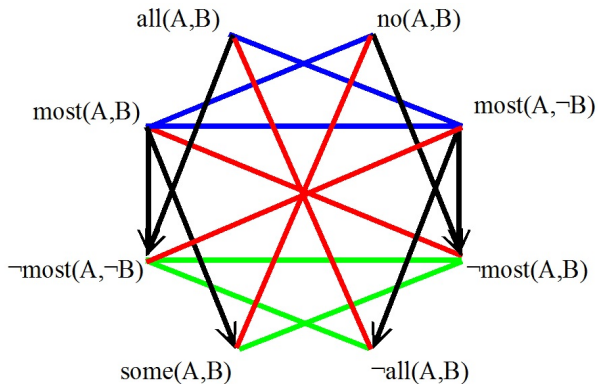
$\Rightarrow$  a classical square only requires bitstrings of length 3.



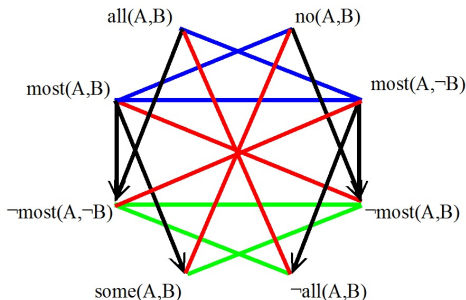
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- Combine the two four-formula fragments into one **eight-formula fragment**  $\mathcal{F}_{FOLmost} := \mathcal{F}_{FOL} \cup \mathcal{F}_{most}$

$$\mathcal{F}_{FOLmost} := \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{all}(A,B), & |A \setminus B| = 0 \\ \text{no}(A,B), & |A \cap B| = 0 \\ \text{most}(A,B), & |A \cap B| > |A \setminus B| \\ \text{most}(A, \neg B), & |A \cap B| < |A \setminus B| \\ \neg \text{most}(A, \neg B), & |A \cap B| \geq |A \setminus B| \\ \neg \text{most}(A,B), & |A \cap B| \leq |A \setminus B| \\ \text{some}(A,B), & |A \cap B| > 0 \\ \text{not all}(A,B) & \} \quad |A \setminus B| > 0 \end{array} \right.$$



- Interlock two squares into an octagon; two subalternations are crucial:
  - from  $all(A,B)$  to  $\neg most(A,\neg B)$  ( $|A \setminus B| = 0$  entails  $|A \cap B| \geq |A \setminus B|$ )
  - from  $most(A,B)$  to  $some(A,B)$  ( $|A \cap B| > |A \setminus B|$  entails  $|A \cap B| > 0$ )



- octagon containing 3 classical squares and 3 degenerate squares:
  - known in theory as one of the 18 families of Aristotelian octagons.
  - Now first 'non-artificial' instantiation of that family
  - nicely fits into a series of octagons in which the number of degenerate squares increases from **zero** (Moretti 2009), over **one** (Buridan/Klima 2001), and **two** (Keynes 1884, Johnson 1921), to **three**.

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$$\begin{array}{l} \Pi(\mathcal{F}_{FOL}) = \\ \{ \alpha_1: |A \setminus B| = 0 \ \& \ |A| > 0, \\ \alpha_2: |A \setminus B| > 0 \ \& \ |A \cap B| > 0, \\ \alpha_3: |A \cap B| = 0 \ \& \ |A| > 0, \\ \alpha_4: |A| = 0 \end{array} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} \Pi(\mathcal{F}_{FOL}) = \\ \{ \alpha_1: |A \setminus B| = 0 \ \& \ |A| > 0, \\ \alpha_2: |A \setminus B| > 0 \ \& \ |A \cap B| > 0, \\ \alpha_3: |A \cap B| = 0 \ \& \ |A| > 0, \\ \alpha_4: |A| = 0 \end{array}} \right\} \quad \begin{array}{l} \Pi(\mathcal{F}_{most}) = \\ \{ \alpha'_1: |A \cap B| > |A \setminus B|, \\ \alpha'_2: |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B|, \\ \alpha'_3: |A \cap B| < |A \setminus B| \end{array} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} \Pi(\mathcal{F}_{most}) = \\ \{ \alpha'_1: |A \cap B| > |A \setminus B|, \\ \alpha'_2: |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B|, \\ \alpha'_3: |A \cap B| < |A \setminus B| \end{array}} \right\}$$

- compute bitstring semantics by taking the meet of the two original partitions:  $\Pi(\mathcal{F}_{FOLmost}) := \Pi(\mathcal{F}_{FOL}) \wedge_{FOL} \Pi(\mathcal{F}_{most})$
- compute the conjunctions of each anchor formula  $\alpha_i$  of the former partition with each anchor formula  $\alpha'_j$  of the latter.
- this yields  $4 \times 3 = 12$  conjunctions.
- after elimination of the inconsistent formulas we get a hexapartition.



$$\begin{array}{l} \Pi(\mathcal{F}_{FOL}) = \\ \{ \alpha_1: |A \setminus B| = 0 \ \& \ |A| > 0, \\ \alpha_2: |A \setminus B| > 0 \ \& \ |A \cap B| > 0, \\ \alpha_3: |A \cap B| = 0 \ \& \ |A| > 0, \\ \alpha_4: |A| = 0 \end{array} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} \Pi(\mathcal{F}_{FOL}) = \\ \{ \alpha_1: |A \setminus B| = 0 \ \& \ |A| > 0, \\ \alpha_2: |A \setminus B| > 0 \ \& \ |A \cap B| > 0, \\ \alpha_3: |A \cap B| = 0 \ \& \ |A| > 0, \\ \alpha_4: |A| = 0 \end{array}} \right\}$$

$$\Pi(\mathcal{F}_{most}) = \left. \begin{array}{l} \{ \alpha'_1: |A \cap B| > |A \setminus B|, \\ \alpha'_2: |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B|, \\ \alpha'_3: |A \cap B| < |A \setminus B| \end{array} \right\}$$

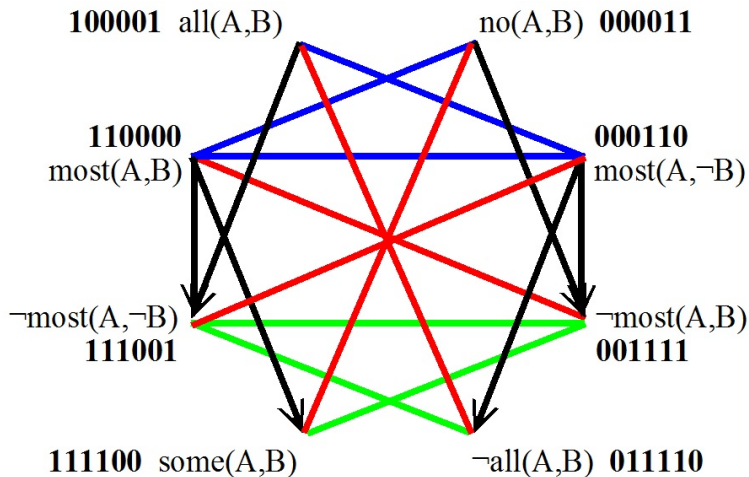
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- The fragment  $\mathcal{F}_{FOLmost}$  induces the **partition**  $\Pi(\mathcal{F}_{FOLmost}) =$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} |A \cap B| > |A \setminus B| = 0, \\ |A \cap B| > |A \setminus B| > 0, \\ |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| > 0, \\ 0 < |A \cap B| < |A \setminus B|, \\ 0 = |A \cap B| < |A \setminus B|, \\ 0 = |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B| \end{array} \right\} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \alpha''_1: \text{All A are B and there are A's} \\ \alpha''_2: \text{Most but not all A's are B} \\ \alpha''_3: \text{Exactly half the A's are B} \\ \alpha''_4: \text{Most but not all A's are not B} \\ \alpha''_5: \text{No A's are B, but there are A's} \\ \alpha''_6: \text{There are no A's} \end{array} \right.$$

- The **bitstring semantics**  $\beta_{FOLmost}$  for the fragment  $\mathcal{F}_{FOLmost}$ :

$\beta_{FOLmost}(all(A, B))$	=	<b>100001</b>	$ A \setminus B  = 0$
$\beta_{FOLmost}(no(A, B))$	=	<b>000011</b>	$ A \cap B  = 0$
$\beta_{FOLmost}(most(A, B))$	=	<b>110000</b>	$ A \cap B  >  A \setminus B $
$\beta_{FOLmost}(most(A, \neg B))$	=	<b>000110</b>	$ A \cap B  <  A \setminus B $
$\beta_{FOLmost}(\neg most(A, \neg B))$	=	<b>111001</b>	$ A \cap B  \geq  A \setminus B $
$\beta_{FOLmost}(\neg most(A, B))$	=	<b>001111</b>	$ A \cap B  \leq  A \setminus B $
$\beta_{FOLmost}(some(A, B))$	=	<b>111100</b>	$ A \cap B  > 0$
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- the fragment  $\mathcal{F}_{SYLL}$  with the **four SYLL quantifiers**:

$$\mathcal{F}_{SYLL} := \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{all}(A,B), & |A \setminus B| = 0 \ \& \ |A| > 0 \\ \text{no}(A,B), & |A \cap B| = 0 \ \& \ |A| > 0 \\ \text{some}(A,B), & |A \cap B| > 0 \\ \text{not all}(A,B) \end{array} \right\} \quad |A \setminus B| > 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  move from FOL to SYLL: 'all' and 'no' **do** have existential import

- The fragment  $\mathcal{F}_{SYLL}$  induces the **partition**  $\Pi(\mathcal{F}_{SYLL}) =$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} |A \setminus B| = 0 \ \& \ |A| > 0, & \alpha_1: \text{all A are B \ \& \ there are A's} \\ |A \setminus B| > 0 \ \& \ |A \cap B| > 0, & \alpha_2: \text{some but not all A are B} \\ |A \cap B| = 0 \ \& \ |A| > 0 & \alpha_3: \text{no A are B \ \& \ there are A's} \end{array} \right\}$$

$\Rightarrow$  anchor formulas  $\alpha_1$ ,  $\alpha_2$  and  $\alpha_3$  are the same as in  $\Pi(\mathcal{F}_{FOL})$

$\alpha_4$  is deleted because it has become inconsistent in SYLL.

- The **bitstring semantics**  $\beta_{SYLL}$  for the fragment  $\mathcal{F}_{SYLL}$ :

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 \beta_{SYLL}(all(A, B)) & = & \mathbf{100} \quad |A \setminus B| = 0 \ \& \ |A| > 0 \\
 \beta_{SYLL}(no(A, B)) & = & \mathbf{001} \quad |A \cap B| = 0 \ \& \ |A| > 0 \\
 \beta_{SYLL}(some(A, B)) & = & \mathbf{110} \quad |A \cap B| > 0 \\
 \beta_{SYLL}(not\ all(A, B)) & = & \mathbf{011} \quad |A \setminus B| > 0
 \end{array}$$

- Compared to  $\Pi(\mathcal{F}_{FOL})$ , anchor formula  $\alpha_4$  is deleted from  $\Pi(\mathcal{F}_{SYLL})$
- so bit position four is deleted as well, yielding a bitstring semantics with bitstrings of length **three** instead of four.

- Combine the two four-formula fragments into one

**eight-formula fragment**  $\mathcal{F}_{SYLLmost} := \mathcal{F}_{SYLL} \cup \mathcal{F}_{most}$

$$\mathcal{F}_{SYLLmost} := \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{all}(A, B), & |A \setminus B| = 0 \ \& \ |A| > 0 \\ \text{no}(A, B), & |A \cap B| = 0 \ \& \ |A| > 0 \\ \text{most}(A, B), & |A \cap B| > |A \setminus B| \\ \text{most}(A, \neg B), & |A \cap B| < |A \setminus B| \\ \neg \text{most}(A, \neg B), & |A \cap B| \geq |A \setminus B| \\ \neg \text{most}(A, B), & |A \cap B| \leq |A \setminus B| \\ \text{some}(A, B), & |A \cap B| > 0 \\ \text{not all}(A, B) \end{array} \right\} \quad |A \setminus B| > 0$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \Pi(\mathcal{F}_{SYLL}) = \\ \{ \alpha_1: |A \setminus B| = 0 \ \& \ |A| > 0, \\ \alpha_2: |A \setminus B| > 0 \ \& \ |A \cap B| > 0, \\ \alpha_3: |A \cap B| = 0 \ \& \ |A| > 0 \} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \Pi(\mathcal{F}_{most}) = \\ \{ \alpha'_1: |A \cap B| > |A \setminus B|, \\ \alpha'_2: |A \cap B| = |A \setminus B|, \\ \alpha'_3: |A \cap B| < |A \setminus B| \} \end{array}$$

- $\Pi(\mathcal{F}_{SYLLmost}) := \Pi(\mathcal{F}_{SYLL}) \wedge_{SYLL} \Pi(\mathcal{F}_{most})$
- The fragment  $\mathcal{F}_{SYLLmost}$  induces the **partition**  $\Pi(\mathcal{F}_{SYLLmost}) =$ 

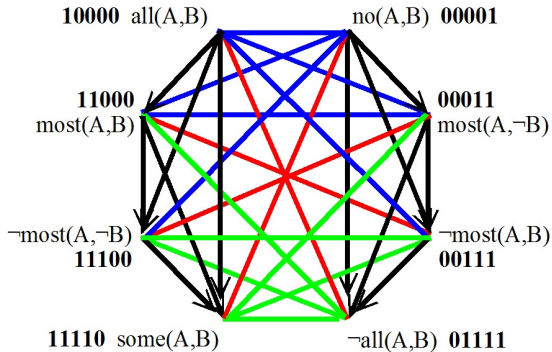
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- Compared to  $\Pi(\mathcal{F}_{FOLmost})$ , the sixth anchor formula  $\alpha''_6$  is deleted, so bit position six is deleted as well, yielding a bitstring semantics with bitstrings of length **five** instead of six.



- The **bitstring semantics**  $\beta_{SYLLmost}$  for the fragment  $\mathcal{F}_{SYLLmost}$ :

$\beta_{SYLLmost}(all(A, B))$	=	<b>10000</b>	$ A \setminus B  = 0 \ \& \  A  > 0$
$\beta_{SYLLmost}(no(A, B))$	=	<b>00001</b>	$ A \cap B  = 0 \ \& \  A  > 0$
$\beta_{SYLLmost}(most(A, B))$	=	<b>11000</b>	$ A \cap B  >  A \setminus B $
$\beta_{SYLLmost}(most(A, \neg B))$	=	<b>00011</b>	$ A \cap B  <  A \setminus B $
$\beta_{SYLLmost}(\neg most(A, \neg B))$	=	<b>11100</b>	$ A \cap B  \geq  A \setminus B $
$\beta_{SYLLmost}(\neg most(A, B))$	=	<b>00111</b>	$ A \cap B  \leq  A \setminus B $
$\beta_{SYLLmost}(some(A, B))$	=	<b>11110</b>	$ A \cap B  > 0$
$\beta_{SYLLmost}(not\ all(A, B))$	=	<b>01111</b>	$ A \setminus B  > 0$

- fundamental impact on the overall Aristotelian constellation:
  - from **3** relations of *contrariety* in  $\mathcal{F}_{FOLLmost}$  to **6** in  $\mathcal{F}_{SYLLmost}$ .
  - from **3** relations of *subcontrariety* in  $\mathcal{F}_{FOLLmost}$  to **6** in  $\mathcal{F}_{SYLLmost}$ .
  - from **6** relations of *subalternation* in  $\mathcal{F}_{FOLLmost}$  to **12** in  $\mathcal{F}_{SYLLmost}$ .
  - from **12** relations of *unconnectedness* in  $\mathcal{F}_{FOLLmost}$  to **0** in  $\mathcal{F}_{SYLLmost}$ .



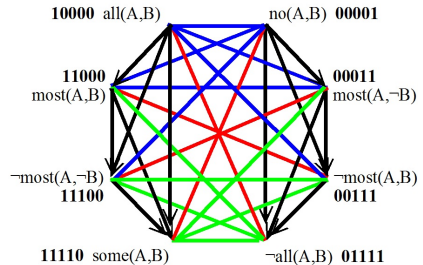
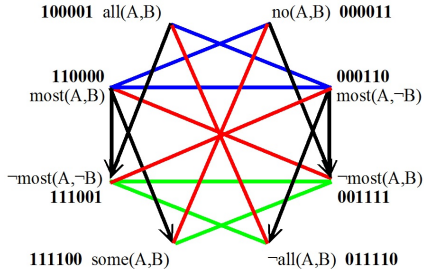
- return to a well-documented family of octagons (Lenzen 2012):
  - consists of six interlocking classical squares, but no degenerate squares.
  - illustrates well-known phenomenon of **logic-sensitivity** of Aristotelian diagrams.

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$\mathcal{F}_{FOL}$	4	4	degenerate square
$\mathcal{F}_{SYLL}$	4	3	classical square
$\mathcal{F}_{most}$	4	3	classical square

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$\mathcal{F}$	$ \mathcal{F} $	$ \Pi(\mathcal{F}) $	<i>Aristotelian diagram</i>
$\mathcal{F}_{FOL}$	4	4	degenerate square
$\mathcal{F}_{SYLL}$	4	3	classical square
$\mathcal{F}_{most}$	4	3	classical square
$\mathcal{F}_{FOLmost}$	8	6	<b>new type</b> of octagon
$\mathcal{F}_{SYLLmost}$	8	5	Lenzen octagon



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