

Seminar on Axiomatic Metaphysics

Lecture 9

Frege Numbers (Part 1)

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Frege's Goals and Methods

- The Dedekind/Peano axioms for number theory:
 - 0 is a number.
 - 0 is not a successor of any number, i.e.,
No number (immediately) precedes zero.
 - No two numbers have the same successor, i.e.,
If numbers x, y precede a number z , then $x = y$. (one-one)
 - Every number has a successor, i.e.,
Every number precedes some number.
 - Mathematical Induction: If (a) 0 has F and (b) n 's successor has F whenever n has F , then every number has F
- Boolos (1995, 293; 1996, 275), and Heck (2011, 288) include:
 - A successor of a number is a number, i.e.,
Anything a number precedes is a number.
 - No number has two successors, i.e.,
If a number x precedes numbers y, z , then $y = z$. (functional)
- Frege's Theorem: derive these axioms as theorems in 2OL +
Hume's Principle: <https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/frege-theorem/>

Frege's Strategy for Proving Frege's Theorem

- Frege (1884): Start with equinumerosity: $F \approx G =_{df} \exists R[\forall x(Fx \rightarrow \exists!y(Gy \ \& \ Rxy)) \ \& \ \forall y(Gy \rightarrow \exists!x(Fx \ \& \ Rxy))]$
 - Example
- Define (1884) $\#G$ ('the number of G s') as a second-order concept under which all the first-order concepts equinumerous to G fall. In (1893): $\#G = \epsilon[\lambda x \exists F(x = \epsilon F \ \& \ F \approx G)]$
- $\epsilon f = \epsilon g \equiv \forall x(f(x) = g(x)) \vdash \#F = \#G \equiv F \approx G \quad \forall \vdash$ Hume
- He then defined:
 - $Precedes(x, y) =_{df} \exists F \exists z(Fz \ \& \ y = \#F \ \& \ x = \#[\lambda w Fw \ \& \ w \neq z])$
 - $0 =_{df} \#[\lambda x x \neq x]$
 - $Precedes^*(x, y)$ (The ancestral of *Precedes*)
 - $Precedes^+(x, y)$ (The weak ancestral of *Precedes*)
 - $NaturalNumber(x) =_{df} Precedes^+(0, x)$
- Derive the Dedekind/Peano axioms from Hume's Principle, without essential appeal to Basic Law V (Heck 1993).
 Reconstruction: in second-order logic, replace Frege's ϵF and Basic Law V with $\#F$ and Hume's Principle.

Issues With This Reconstruction

- Caesar problem: ‘ $\#F = x$ ’ isn’t defined for arbitrary x .
- Hume’s Principle (and other Fregean biconditionals) collapse existence and identity conditions.
- Hume’s Principle only gives you one kind of abstract object. What about all the others?
- The St. Andrews school (Wright & Hale 2001, Cook 2003, etc.): add Fregean biconditionals such as Hume’s Principle to introduce each different group of abstract objects.
- Problems:
 - The resulting theory of abstract objects is piecemeal, and each type of abstract object has its own Caesar problem.
 - The bad-company objection: some biconditionals lead to contradiction (like Basic Law V), and some don’t (Boolos 1990).
 - Embarrassment of riches problem (Weir 2003): indefinitely many consistent, but pairwise inconsistent, biconditionals.

The Limits of Abstraction: Fine 2002

- A permutation $\pi(x, y)$ of the domain of individuals is a 1-1 correspondence between the universal concept $[\lambda x x = x]$ and itself. A permutation π induces a permutation of concepts: $\pi(F, G) \equiv \forall x, y(\pi(x, y) \rightarrow (Fx \equiv Gy))$. We write πF for the unique G such that $\pi(F, G)$. A first-level concept F is *invariant* iff F is equivalent (coextensive) with πF , for every permutation π .
- Call a second-level concept P *invariant* if $P(F)$ and $P(\pi F)$ are equivalent, for every permutation π . The following second-level concepts are invariant: *no F*, *some F*, *all F*, *at most one F*, *exactly one F*, *at least one F*, *finitely many F*, *infinitely many F*, *evenly many F*, etc.
- A second-level relation R is *invariant* if $R(F, G)$ and $R(\pi F, \pi G)$ are equivalent, for any concepts F, G and any permutation π . A second-level equivalence relation R is *non-inflationary* if there are no more equivalence classes of concepts under R than there are individuals in the domain.
- The basic idea behind Fine's theory: An abstraction principle of the form $\S F = \S G \equiv R(F, G)$ is acceptable only when R is a second-level equivalence relation that is invariant and non-inflationary.
- This yields abstracts (i.e., numbers as objects) corresponding to the invariant concepts such as *exactly one*, *exactly two*, etc., and you get the sets of natural numbers that correspond to concepts applying to the numbers.

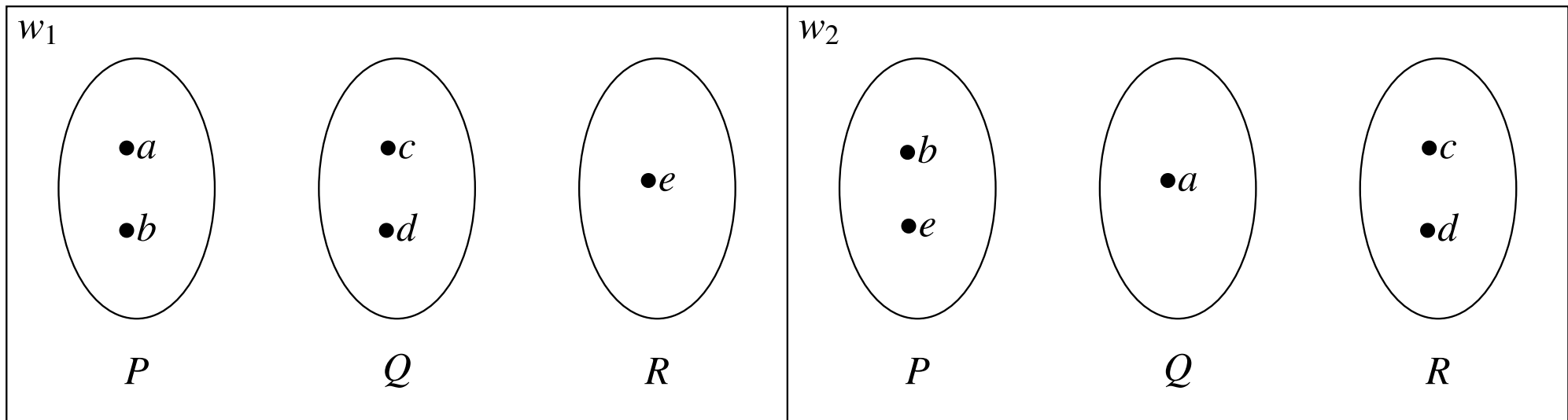
The Limits on Fine's Method of Abstraction

- Exactly which Fregean biconditionals are endorsed by this framework? This isn't made explicit.
- Significant parts of mathematics are not reducible using Fine's method of abstraction (Burgess 2003, Shapiro 2004).
- There is no solution to either the Julius Caesar problem or the epistemological question as to how we have knowledge of mathematics.
- There is no method for abstracting over equivalence relations on individuals: no *directions*, *shapes*, etc.
- The method requires that one assert the existence of at least two individuals in the domain of individuals.

A Problem for Fregean Reconstructions

- Frege's analysis of natural numbers gives rise to a problem in a modal setting: it yields different cardinal numbers in different modal contexts.
- At each possible world, the equivalence classes of equinumerous properties change; the numbers (as abstractions) that reify the equivalence classes at one world will be different from the numbers that reify the equivalence classes at each other possible world.
- The problem is that G might be exemplified by two objects in both w_1 and w_2 , but the object that numbers G in w_1 is not identical to the object that numbers G in w_2 .

Picture of the Problem



- The Fregean object 2 in w_1 includes P and Q since 2 is an abstraction of the equivalence class $\{P, Q\}$.
- The Fregean object 2 in w_2 includes P and R since 2 is an abstraction of the equivalence class $\{P, R\}$.
- So 2 in $w_1 \neq 2$ in w_2 : they're (abstracted from) different equivalence classes.

A Separate Problem For Object Theory

- We want to define $\#G$ as: $\iota x(A!x \ \& \ \forall F(xF \equiv F \approx G))$.
- But we have indiscernible abstract objects:

$$\exists x \exists y (A!x \ \& \ A!y \ \& \ x \neq y \ \& \ \forall F (Fx \equiv Fy))$$
- A consequence: $\neg \exists G (A! \approx G)$
- *Proof.* Suppose $A!a, A!b, a \neq b$, and $\forall F (Fa \equiv Fb)$. Suppose, for reductio, that $\exists G (A! \approx G)$. Let Q be such a property, i.e., $A! \approx Q$. Then there is a witness R (one-one and onto) from $A!$ to Q . So Rac for some object c such that Qc . So $[\lambda z Rzc]a$. But, since a and b are indiscernible, $[\lambda z Rzc]b$, i.e., Rbc . But this contradicts the one-one character of R , for we have both Rac and Rbc and yet $a \neq b$.
- So $\forall G \neg (G \approx A!)$, and hence $\neg (A! \approx A!)$.
- A consequence: $\exists F (F \not\approx F)$, and since \approx is not reflexive, \approx is not an equivalence relation.
- So we can't define numbers as objects encoding up equivalence classes of equinumerous properties.

Discernible Objects are Classical

- Recall the definitions of $D!$ and $=_D$ (Lecture 2):
 - $D! =_{df} [\lambda x \Box \forall y (y \neq x \rightarrow \exists F \neg (Fy \equiv Fx))]$
 - $=_D =_{df} [\lambda xy D!x \ \& \ D!y \ \& \ x = y]$
- We also proved a number of theorems about discernibles:
 - $O!x \rightarrow D!x$
 - $D!x \rightarrow \Box D!x$
 - $(D!x \vee D!z) \rightarrow (\forall F (Fx \equiv Fz) \rightarrow x = z)$
 - $=_D$ is reflexive (on discernibles), symmetric, and transitive
- $(D!x \vee D!y) \rightarrow \Box (x = y \equiv x =_D y)$

Proof. First establish $D!x \rightarrow (x = y \equiv x =_D y)$. By RM,
 $\Box D!x \rightarrow \Box (x = y \equiv x =_D y)$. By cases: $D!x$; so $\Box D!x$; so ...
- $D!y \rightarrow [\lambda x x = y] \downarrow$

Proof. Assume $D!y$. We know $[\lambda x x =_D y] \downarrow$. Show
 $\Box \forall x (x =_D y \equiv x = y)$ and apply axiom.
- $(D!x \ \& \ D!y) \rightarrow (x \neq y \equiv [\lambda z z = x] \neq [\lambda z z = y])$

Proof. Assume $D!x, D!y, x \neq y$, and for reductio, $[\lambda z z = x] = [\lambda z z = y]$. Since $D!x$, then
 $[\lambda z z = x] \downarrow$, so $x = x$ implies $[\lambda z z = x]x$. Hence $[\lambda z z = y]x$, i.e., $x = y$. Contradiction.

Equinumerosity_D is Classical

- u, v range over discernibles; $\exists!u\varphi$ asserts unique existence.
- Df. *Correlates 1-1* w.r.t. discernibles and *equinumerosity_D* (\approx_D):
 - $R \downarrow : F \overset{1-1}{\longleftrightarrow}_D G \equiv_{df} R \downarrow \& F \downarrow \& G \downarrow \& \forall u(Fu \rightarrow \exists!v(Gv \& Ruv)) \& \forall v(Gv \rightarrow \exists!u(Fu \& Ruv))$
 - $F \approx_D G \equiv_{df} \exists R(R \downarrow : F \overset{1-1}{\longleftrightarrow}_D G)$
- \approx_D is reflexive: $F \approx_D F$ ($=_D$ is witness)
- \approx_D is symmetric: $F \approx_D G \rightarrow G \approx_D F$
 - If R is witness to $F \approx_D G$, consider $R^{-1} = [\lambda xy Ryx]$.
- \approx_D is transitive: $F \approx_D G \& G \approx_D H \rightarrow F \approx_D H$
 - If R, S are witnesses to $F \approx_D G$ and $G \approx_D H$, define $R' = [\lambda xy \exists z(Gz \& Rxz \& Szy)]$.
- $(\neg \exists u Fu \& \neg \exists v Hv) \rightarrow F \approx_D H$
- Let F^{-u} designate $[\lambda z Fz \& z \neq u]$
Let G^{-v} designate $[\lambda z Gz \& z \neq v]$
 - These exist by previous theorem: $[\lambda z D!z \& \varphi] \downarrow$, for any φ

Equinumerosity Facts

- $F \approx_D G \ \& \ Fu \ \& \ Gv \rightarrow F^{-u} \approx_D G^{-v}$ (Lemma)

Proof: Assume $F \approx_D G$ ($R =$ witness), Fu, Gv . Two cases: (1) If Ruv , then the witness to $F^{-u} \approx_D G^{-v}$ is R . (2) If $\neg Ruv$, then if b is the G -correlate of u and a the F -correlate of v , the witness to $F^{-u} \approx_D G^{-v}$ is $(r, s$ restricted to discernibles):

- $[\lambda rs (r \neq u \ \& \ s \neq v \ \& \ Rrs) \vee (r = a \ \& \ s = b) \vee (r = u \ \& \ s = v)]$

[Note: This relation exists since $[\lambda xy D!x \ \& \ D!y \ \& \ \varphi] \downarrow$.]

- $F^{-u} \approx_D G^{-v} \ \& \ Fu \ \& \ Gv \rightarrow F \approx_D G$ (Lemma)

Proof: Assume $F^{-u} \approx_D G^{-v}$ ($R =$ witness), Fu, Gv . Then the witness to $F \approx_D G$ is: $[\lambda rs (F^{-u}r \ \& \ G^{-v}s \ \& \ Rrs) \vee (r = u \ \& \ s = v)]$.

[Note: This relation exists for the same reasons as in the previous theorem.]

- Property Equivalence $_D$ (\equiv_D) and Equinumerosity $_D$:

- $F \equiv_D G \equiv_{df} F \downarrow \ \& \ G \downarrow \ \& \ \forall u (Fu \equiv Gu)$
- $F \equiv_D G \rightarrow F \approx_D G$
- $F \approx_D G \ \& \ G \equiv_D H \rightarrow F \approx_D H$

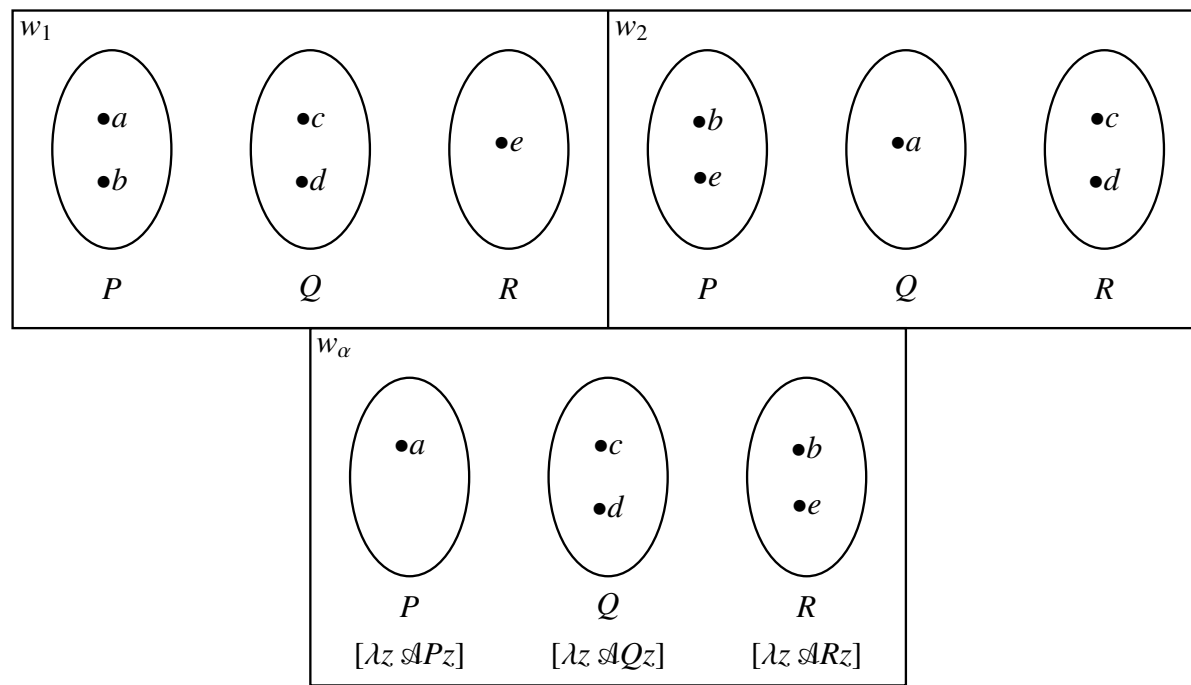
- Actuality, Rigidity, and Equinumerosity $_D$:

$Rigid([\lambda z \mathcal{A}Fz]) \qquad F \approx_D G \equiv \forall H ([\lambda z \mathcal{A}Hz] \approx_D F \equiv [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Hz] \approx_D G)$

$Rigid(F) \rightarrow F \approx_D [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Fz] \qquad (Rigid(F) \ \& \ Rigid(G)) \rightarrow \Box(F \approx_D G \rightarrow \Box F \approx_D G)$

Numbering a Property

$$\text{Numbers}(x, G) \equiv_{df} A!x \ \& \ G \downarrow \ \& \ \forall F(xF \equiv [\lambda z \ \mathcal{A}Fz] \approx_D G)$$



w_α : $\text{Numbers}(2, Q), \text{Numbers}(2, R)$
 w_1 : $\text{Numbers}(2, P), \text{Numbers}(2, Q)$
 w_2 : $\text{Numbers}(2, P), \text{Numbers}(2, R)$

Numbering and Equinumerosity_D

- $\forall G \exists !x \text{Numbers}(x, G)$
- $(\text{Numbers}(x, G) \ \& \ \text{Numbers}(x, H)) \rightarrow G \approx_D H$
- $\text{Rigid}(G) \rightarrow \Box \forall x (\text{Numbers}(x, G) \rightarrow \Box \text{Numbers}(x, G))$
- $\Box \forall x (\text{Numbers}(x, [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Gz]) \rightarrow \Box \text{Numbers}(x, [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Gz]))$
- $(\text{Numbers}(x, G) \ \& \ \text{Numbers}(y, H)) \rightarrow (x = y \equiv G \approx_D H)$ (pre-Hume)
- $\#G =_{df} \iota x \text{Numbers}(x, G)$

Aside: Hume's Principle is a \star -theorem:

- $\star \vdash [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Fz] \approx_D F$ (you need \star Axiom $\mathcal{A}\varphi \rightarrow \varphi$)
- $\star \vdash \text{Numbers}(\#G, G)$ (by \star -description theory)
- $\star \vdash \#F = \#G \equiv F \approx_D G$

Proof. $(\text{Numbers}(\#F, F) \ \& \ \text{Numbers}(\#G, G)) \rightarrow (\#F = \#G \equiv F \approx_D G)$,
by pre-Hume. But by the theorem just proved, $\text{Numbers}(\#F, F)$ and
 $\text{Numbers}(\#G, G)$.

A Necessary Version of Hume's Principle

- $Rigid(F) \rightarrow (Numbers(\#F, F))$

Proof. If $Rigid(F)$, then by a previous theorem and the T schema, $\forall x(Numbers(x, F) \rightarrow \Box Numbers(x, F))$. When this holds, then by the theory of descriptions: $\exists! x Numbers(x, F) \rightarrow (\forall y(y = ix Numbers(x, F) \rightarrow Numbers(y, F)))$. The antecedent was recently established and so $\forall y(y = ix Numbers(x, F) \rightarrow Numbers(y, F))$. Instantiate to $\#F$ and apply the definition.

- $(Rigid(F) \ \& \ Rigid(G)) \rightarrow (\#F = \#G \equiv F \approx_D G)$

Proof. Assume $Rigid(F)$ and $Rigid(G)$. Independently, instantiate pre-Hume to $F, G, \#F$ and $\#G$, to obtain $(Numbers(\#F, F) \ \& \ Numbers(\#G, G)) \rightarrow (\#F = \#G \equiv F \approx_D G)$. But our previous theorem and our assumptions imply $Numbers(\#F, F)$ and $Numbers(\#G, G)$. So $\#F = \#G \equiv F \approx_D G$.

- $\mathcal{A}Numbers(x, G) \equiv Numbers(x, [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Gz])$

- $Numbers(x, [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Gz]) \equiv x = \#G$

- $\forall F(\#GF \equiv [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Fz] \approx_D [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Gz])$

- See **Nodelman & Zalta forthcoming**, and Chapter 14 (Nodelman & Zalta) in *Principia Logico-Metaphysica*

Natural Cardinals

- $NaturalCardinal(x) \equiv_{df} \exists G(x = \#G)$
- $Numbers(x, G) \rightarrow NaturalCardinal(x)$ *Proof.* Assume $Numbers(x, G)$.

Independently, Gallin's axiom (which we derived previously) implies: $\exists FRigidifies(F, G)$.

Suppose $Rigidifies(P, G)$. Then, by definition: $Rigid(P) \ \& \ \forall x(Px \equiv Gx)$. $\forall x(Px \equiv Gx)$ implies $P \equiv_D G$, which in turn implies $Numbers(x, P)$: $Rigid(P)$ implies $P \approx_D [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Pz]$, by a previous theorem. So $Numbers(x, [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Pz])$ Hence $x = \#P$, by a previous theorem. Trivially, $\exists F(x = \#F)$, and so $NaturalCardinal(x)$.

- $\exists G(x = \#G) \equiv \exists G(Numbers(x, G))$
- $NaturalCardinal(x) \rightarrow (xF \equiv x = \#F)$

Proof. Assume $NaturalCardinal(x)$. Then $\exists G(x = \#G)$. Suppose $x = \#P$. Then $Numbers(x, [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Pz]) (= \vartheta)$. We show: $xF \equiv x = \#F$. By a previous theorem: we know: $\#PF \equiv [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Fz] \approx_D [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Pz]$. Hence: $xF \equiv [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Fz] \approx_D [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Pz] (= \xi)$. By propositional logic, we know: $\vartheta \rightarrow ((xF \equiv (\psi \equiv \vartheta)) \equiv (xF \equiv \psi)) (= \zeta)$. Reason as follows:

xF	\equiv	$[\lambda z \mathcal{A}Fz] \approx_D [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Pz]$	by (ξ)
	\equiv	$Numbers(x, [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Fz]) \equiv Numbers(x, [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Pz])$	by previous thm
	\equiv	$Numbers(x, [\lambda z \mathcal{A}Fz])$	via (ϑ) and (ζ)
	\equiv	$x = \#F$	by previous theorem

Zero

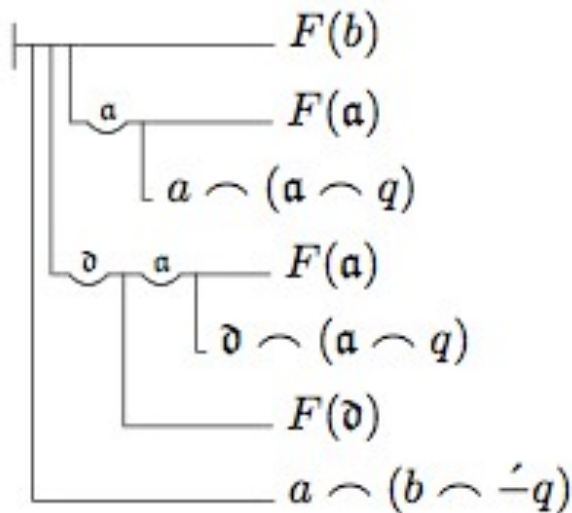
- $0 =_{df} \#[\lambda x D!x \ \& \ x \neq x] =_{df} \#[\lambda u u \neq u]$
- *NaturalCardinal(0)*
- $\neg \exists u Fu \equiv \text{Numbers}(0, F)$

The Strong Ancestral of R : I

- $Hereditary(F, G) =_{df} \forall x, y(Gxy \rightarrow (Fx \rightarrow Fy))$
- Definition of G^* ('being a G -ancestor of'): being an x and y such that y exemplifies every property F such that (a) F is exemplified by everything x bears G to and (b) F is hereditary w.r.t. G .
- $G^* =_{df} [\lambda xy \forall F(\forall z(Gxz \rightarrow Fz) \& Hereditary(F, G) \rightarrow Fy)]$
 $G^*xy \equiv \forall F[\forall z(Gxz \rightarrow Fz) \& Hereditary(F, G) \rightarrow Fy]$
- Properties of the Strong Ancestral.
- $Gxy \rightarrow G^*xy$
- *Proof.* Assume Gab . Pick an arbitrary property, say P , and assume $\forall z(Gaz \rightarrow Pz)$ and $Hereditary(P, G)$. Then Pb , by the first two of our three assumptions.
- $[G^*xy \& \forall z(Gxz \rightarrow Fz) \& Hereditary(F, G)] \rightarrow Fy$
(Frege 1893, Theorem 123)
- *Proof.* Immediate from the definition.

Interlude: Sanity Check

We show how to translate/transform Frege's Theorem 123 in 1893 (p. 138), which is in Frege Notation:



into our representation of Theorem 123, which is in modern notation:

$$[G^*xy \ \& \ \forall z(Gxz \rightarrow Fz) \ \& \ Hereditary(F, G)] \rightarrow Fy$$

The Transformation

The Strong Ancestral of G : II

- $Fx \ \& \ G^*xy \ \& \ Hereditary(F, G) \rightarrow Fy$ (Gg., Thm. 128)
- *Proof.* Assume Pa , $G^*(a, b)$, and that $Hereditary(P, G)$. Then by the previous theorem (123), to show Pb we simply need to show $\forall z(Gaz \rightarrow Pz)$. So assume Gac , where c is arbitrary (to show Pc). Since P is hereditary w.r.t. G and Pa , it follows that Pc .
- $Gxy \ \& \ G^*(y, z) \rightarrow G^*(x, z)$ (Gg., Thm. 129)
- *Proof.* Assume Gab and $G^*(b, c)$. To prove $G^*(a, c)$, further assume $\forall z(Gaz \rightarrow Pz)$ and $Hereditary(P, G)$ (to show Pc). So Pb . But from Pb , $G^*(b, c)$, and $Hereditary(P, G)$, it follows that Pc , by (128).
- $G^*xy \rightarrow \exists zGzy$ (Gg., Thm. 124)
- *Proof.* Assume $G^*(a, b)$. If we instantiate a, b into (123) and instantiate F to $[\lambda w \exists zGzw]$. Then, after λ -conversion,
 $[G^*(a, b) \ \& \ \forall x(Gax \rightarrow \exists zGzx) \ \& \ \forall x, y(Gxy \rightarrow (\exists zGzx \rightarrow \exists zGzy))] \rightarrow \exists zGzb$
 We assumed $G^*(a, b)$, and the second and third conjuncts of the antecedent are immediate, reasoning with arbitrary objects: If Gac , then, $\exists zGzc$. If Gcd and $\exists zGzc$, then $\exists zGzd$. So $\exists zGzb$.

The Weak Ancestral of \underline{G} : I

- F is a rigid (binary) relation on discernibles ($'Rigid_D(F)'$) iff $Rigid(F) \ \& \ \Box \forall x \forall y (Fxy \rightarrow (D!x \ \& \ D!y))$
- $Rigid_D(F) \rightarrow \Box Rigid_D(F)$
- \underline{G} ranges over rigid (binary) relations on discernibles!
- $\underline{G}^+ =_{df} [\lambda xy \ \underline{G}^*xy \ \vee \ x=_Dy]$
 $\underline{G}^+xy \equiv \underline{G}^*xy \ \vee \ x=_Dy$
- Facts About the Weak Ancestral of \underline{G}
- $Gxy \rightarrow \underline{G}^+xy$
- *Proof.* Assume Gab . By the 1st property of \underline{G}^* , \underline{G}^*ab . So $\underline{G}^*ab \ \vee \ a=b$. So \underline{G}^+ab .
- $Fx \ \& \ \underline{G}^+xy \ \& \ Hereditary(F, G) \rightarrow Fy$ (Gg., Thm. 144)
- *Proof.* Assume Pa , \underline{G}^+ab , and $Hereditary(P, \underline{G})$. So by definition, \underline{G}^*ab or $a=b$. If \underline{G}^*ab , then Pb , by (128). If $a=b$, then Pb , from the assumption that Pa .

The Weak Ancestral of R : II

- $\underline{G}^+ xy \ \& \ Gy z \rightarrow \underline{G}^* xz$ (Gg., Thm. 134)
- *Proof.* Assume $\underline{G}^+ ab$ and $\underline{G}bc$. Then from the disjunctive definition of \underline{G}^+ , either (1) $\underline{G}^* ab$ and $\underline{G}bc$ or (2) $a=b$ and $\underline{G}bc$. Show $\underline{G}^* ac$ in both cases:
 - (1) $\underline{G}^* ab$ and $\underline{G}bc$. To show $\underline{G}^* ac$, pick an arbitrary property, P , and assume that $\forall z(\underline{G}az \rightarrow Pz)$ and $Hereditary(P, \underline{G})$, to show: Pc . From these assumptions and $\underline{G}^* ab$, it then follows that Pb , by the definition of \underline{G}^* . But from the facts that $Hereditary(P, \underline{G})$, $\underline{G}bc$, and Pb , it follows that Pc .
 - (2) $a=b$ and $\underline{G}bc$. Then $\underline{G}ac$, and so by the 1st property of \underline{G}^* , it follows that $\underline{G}^* ac$.
- $\underline{G}^* xy \ \& \ \underline{G}yz \rightarrow \underline{G}^+ xz$
- *Proof.* Assume $\underline{G}^* ab$ and $\underline{G}bc$ (to show $\underline{G}^+ ac$). From $\underline{G}^* ab$, it follows that $\underline{G}^+ ab$ by definition of \underline{G}^+ . So by (134), it follows that $\underline{G}^* ac$. So $\underline{G}^+ ac$, by the definition of \underline{G}^+ .

The Weak Ancestral of \underline{G} : III

- $\underline{G}xy \ \& \ \underline{G}^+yz \rightarrow \underline{G}^*xz$ (Gg., Thm. 132)
- *Proof.* Assume $\underline{G}ab$ and \underline{G}^+bc (to show: \underline{G}^*ac). By definition of \underline{G}^+ , either \underline{G}^*bc or $b=c$. If \underline{G}^*bc , then given $\underline{G}ab$, we have \underline{G}^*ac , by (129). If $b=c$, then $\underline{G}ac$, in which case, \underline{G}^*ac , by the 1st property of \underline{G}^* .
- $\underline{G}^*xy \rightarrow \exists z(\underline{G}^+xz \ \& \ \underline{G}zy)$ (Gg., Thm. 141)
- *Proof.* Assume \underline{G}^*ab (to show: $\exists z(\underline{G}^+az \ \& \ \underline{G}zb)$). The following is an instance of (123):

$$\underline{G}^*ab \ \& \ \forall x(\underline{G}ax \rightarrow Fx) \ \& \ \text{Hereditary}(F, \underline{G}) \rightarrow Fb$$

Instantiate this to: $[\lambda w \exists z(\underline{G}^+az \ \& \ \underline{G}zw)]$. Expand definitions and use λ -conversion:

$$\underline{G}^*ab \ \& \ \forall x(\underline{G}ax \rightarrow \exists z(\underline{G}^+az \ \& \ \underline{G}zx)) \ \& \ \forall x\forall y[\underline{G}xy \rightarrow (\exists z(\underline{G}^+az \ \& \ \underline{G}zx) \rightarrow \exists z(\underline{G}^+az \ \& \ \underline{G}zy))] \rightarrow \exists z(\underline{G}^+az \ \& \ \underline{G}zb)$$

Establish the antecedent. We have \underline{G}^*ab . For the 2nd conjunct, assume $\underline{G}ac$. By definition of \underline{G}^+ , \underline{G}^+aa . From $\underline{G}^+aa \ \& \ \underline{G}ac$, it follows that $\exists z(\underline{G}^+az \ \& \ \underline{G}zc)$. For the 3rd conjunct, assume $\underline{G}cd$ and $\exists z(\underline{G}^+az \ \& \ \underline{G}zc)$. We have to show \underline{G}^+ac since we have $\underline{G}cd$. So for some object, say e , $\underline{G}^+ae \ \& \ \underline{G}ec$. So by (134), it follows that \underline{G}^*ac . But, then \underline{G}^+a, c , by definition of \underline{G}^+ .

One-to-One Rigid Relations on Discernibles

- $1-1(G) \equiv_{df} G\downarrow \ \& \ \forall x\forall y\forall z(Gxz \ \& \ Gyz \ \rightarrow \ x=y)$

- $1-1(\underline{G}) \rightarrow ((\underline{G}xy \ \& \ \underline{G}^*zy) \rightarrow \underline{G}^+zx)$

Proof. Assume $1-1(\underline{G})$, $\underline{G}xy$, and \underline{G}^*zy . The latter implies, by a fact about \underline{G}^+ , that some object, say a , is such that \underline{G}^+za and $\underline{G}ay$. Since $1-1(\underline{G})$, $x=a$. So \underline{G}^+zx .

- $1-1(\underline{G}) \rightarrow ((\underline{G}xy \ \& \ \neg\underline{G}^*xx) \rightarrow \neg\underline{G}^*yy)$

Proof. Assume $1-1(\underline{G})$, $\underline{G}xy$ and $\neg\underline{G}^*xx$, and \underline{G}^*yy for reductio. By previous theorem (setting z to y): $(\underline{G}xy \ \& \ \underline{G}^*yy) \rightarrow \underline{G}^+yx$. So, \underline{G}^+yx . We also know the following instance of a fact about \underline{G}^+ (setting z to x): $(\underline{G}xy \ \& \ \underline{G}^+yx) \rightarrow \underline{G}^*xx$. Hence \underline{G}^*xx . Contradiction.

- $1-1(\underline{G}) \rightarrow ((\neg\underline{G}^*xx \ \& \ \underline{G}^+xy) \rightarrow \neg\underline{G}^*yy)$

Proof. Assume $1-1(\underline{G})$, $\neg\underline{G}^*xx$, and \underline{G}^+xy . If we instantiate $[\lambda z \ \neg\underline{G}^*zz]$ into a previous fact about \underline{G}^+ to get $(\neg\underline{G}^*xx \ \& \ \underline{G}^+xy \ \& \ Hereditary([\lambda z \ \neg\underline{G}^*zz], \underline{G})) \rightarrow \neg\underline{G}^*yy$. The first two conjuncts are assumptions. Expanding and simplifying the third, we need to show, by GEN: $\underline{G}x'y' \rightarrow (\neg\underline{G}^*x'x' \rightarrow \neg\underline{G}^*y'y')$. But instantiating \underline{G} , x' , and y' into the previous theorem implies (since $1-1(\underline{G})$): $(\underline{G}x'y' \ \& \ \neg\underline{G}^*x'x') \rightarrow \neg\underline{G}^*y'y'$. But this is equivalent to what we had to show.

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