

# Randomizing Infinitary Logic

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(As expected, the proofs of these two facts are intertwined. Strong well ordering number  $\kappa$  may be regarded as a weak form of Compactness, combined with a weak form of Löwenheim-Skolem.)

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- ▶ We also saw an interesting use of Interpolation earlier here in the work of Džamonja and Parente (inconsistency flows and preservation of formulas by sublogics), generalizing Van Benthem's result using Chu spaces.

FURTHER MODEL THEORY OF  $\mathcal{L}_\kappa^1$ 

In more recent work (2021), Shelah has proved that when  $\kappa$  is a strongly compact cardinal, elementary equivalence  $\equiv_{\mathcal{L}_\kappa^1}$  has an algebraic characterization (à la Keisler-Shelah for FO logic):

$$M \equiv_{\mathcal{L}_\kappa^1} N \text{ iff } \exists (\mathcal{U}_i)_{i < \omega} \left( \lim_i M^\omega / \mathcal{U}_i \approx \lim_i N^\omega / \mathcal{U}_i \right),$$

where the  $\mathcal{U}_i$  are  $\kappa$ -complete ultrafilters.

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This results in the absence of a *generative syntax*, i.e. a syntax defined in such a way that the set of all formulas can be obtained by closing the set of atomic formulas under negation, conjunction, quantifiers, and possibly other logical operations!



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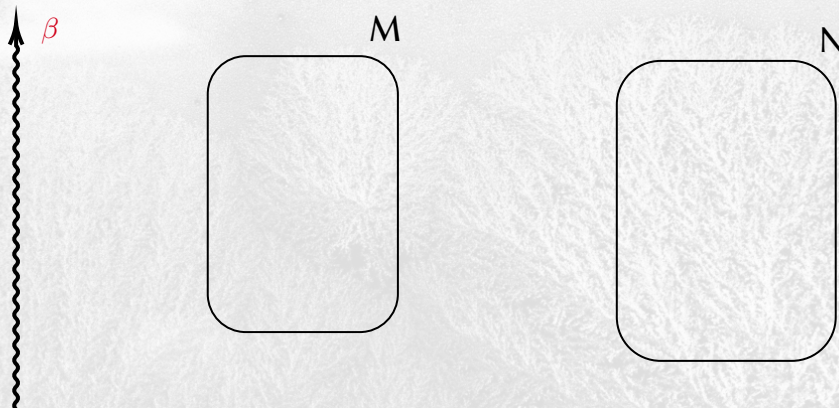
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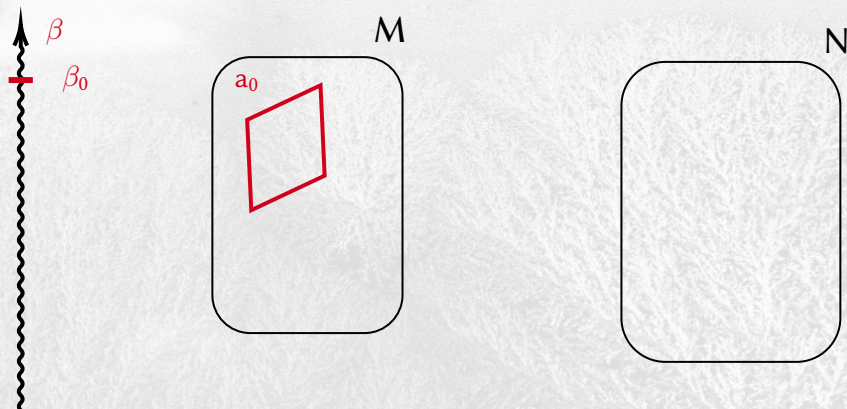
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We believe that much more can be said about  $\mathcal{L}_\kappa^1$  and even about more general questions regarding logics derived from games, by providing a generative syntax for  $\mathcal{L}_\kappa^1$ .

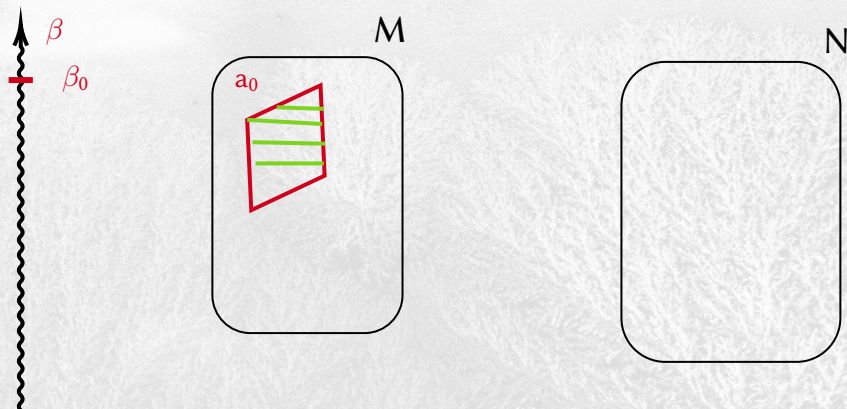
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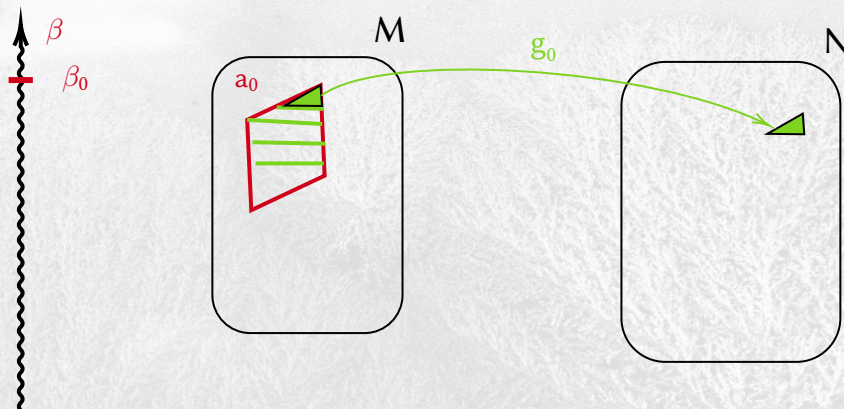
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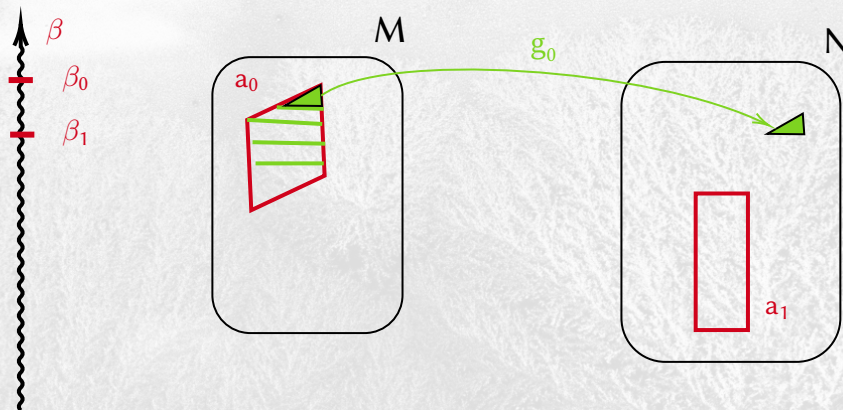
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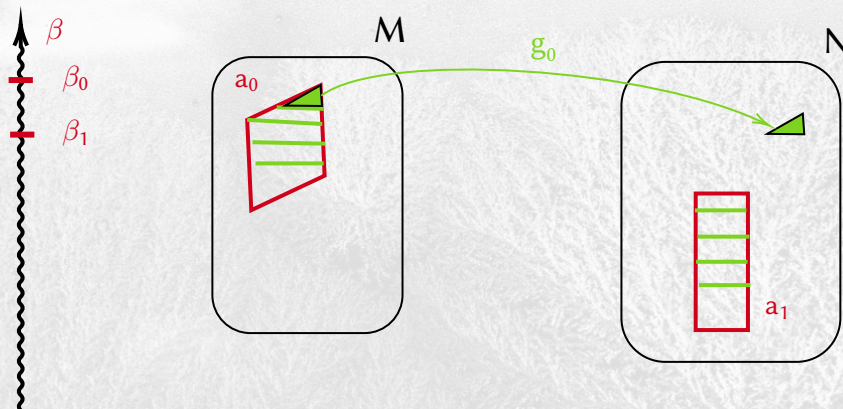


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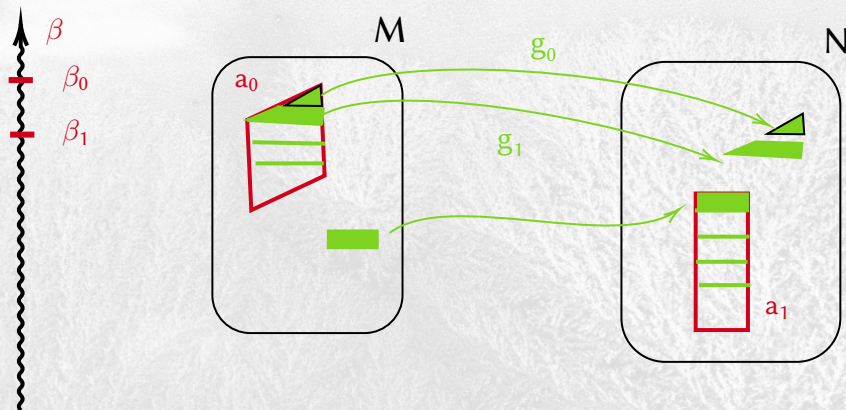




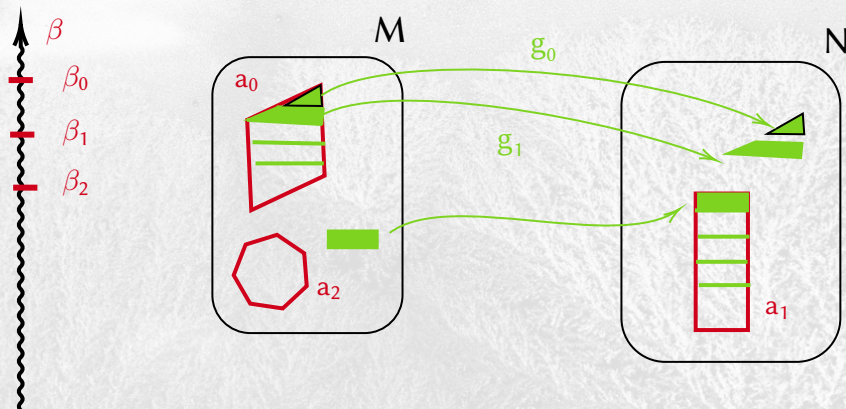
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Constraints:

- ▶  $\text{len}(\vec{a}^n) \leq \theta$
- ▶  $f_{2n}^{-1}(m) \subseteq \text{dom}(g_{2n})$  for  $m \leq n$ .
- ▶  $f_{2n+1}^{-1}(m) \subseteq \text{ran}(g_{2n})$  for  $m \leq n$ .

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A weak point of  $\mathcal{L}_\kappa^1$ : lack of generative syntax

A quick description of the Shelah game

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Boolean variables: avoiding tricky subformulas

A collapsing map from  $\mathcal{L}_{\kappa,\kappa}^{\text{Bool}}$  to  $\mathcal{L}_\kappa^c$

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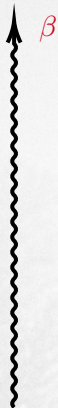
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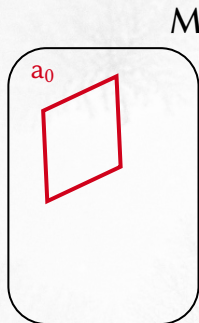
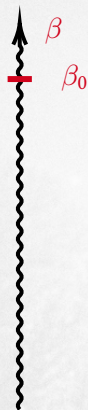
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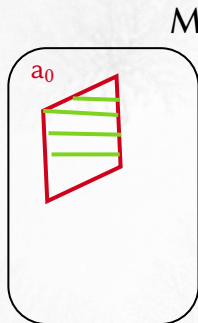
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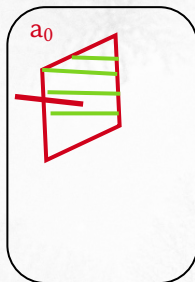
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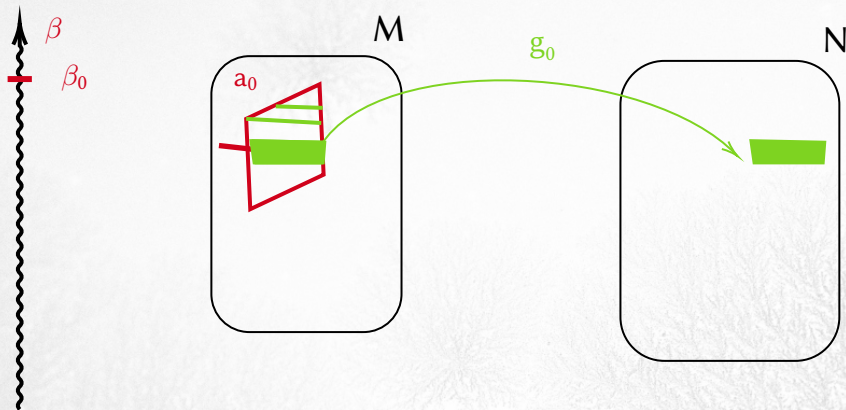
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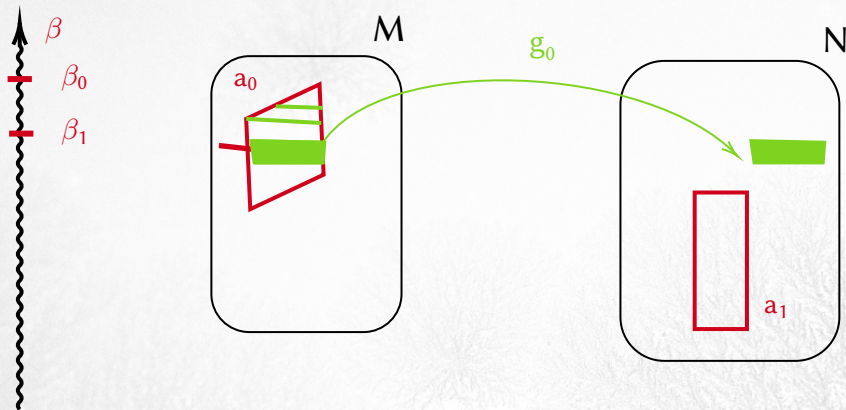
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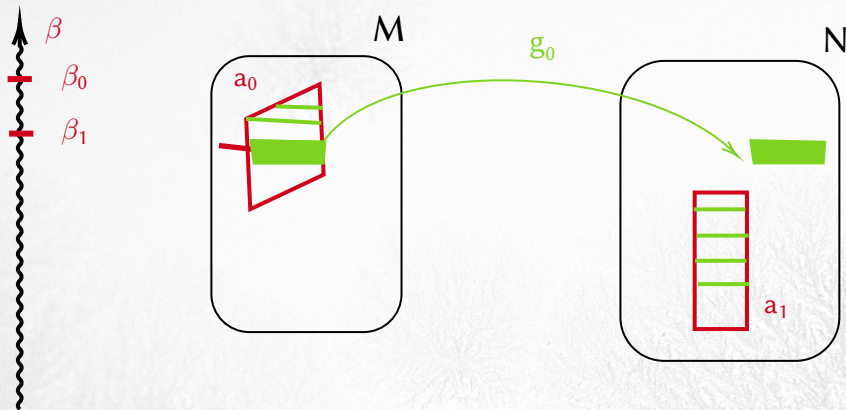
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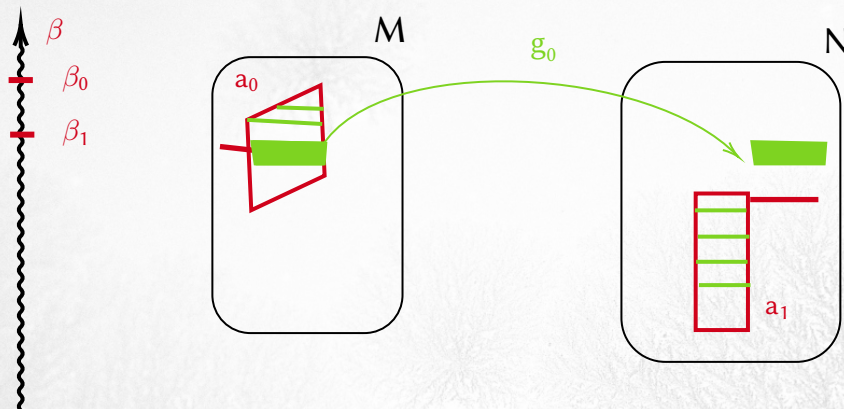


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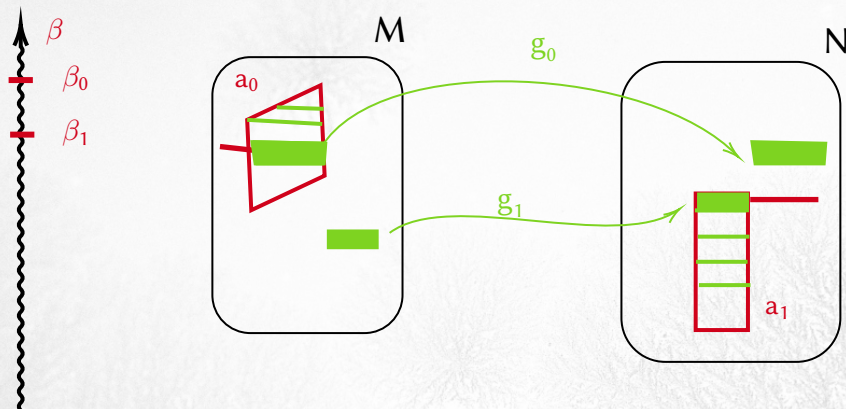




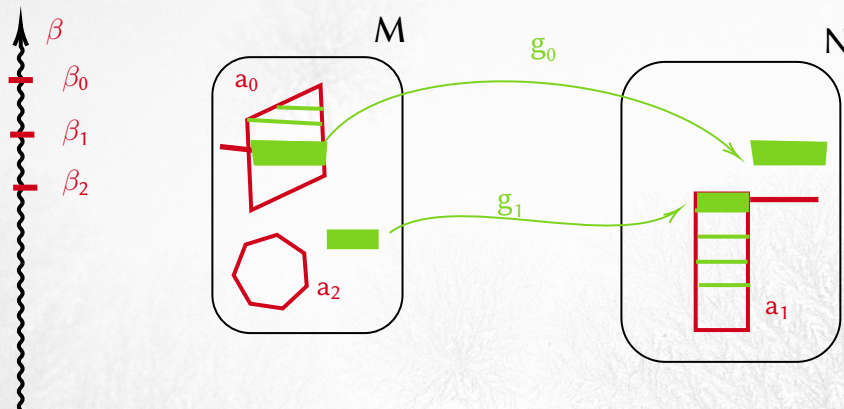
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one of the two dual forms of **Cartagena quantifiers**

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- ▶ to control the partitions (and avoid sneaky definitions of well ordering: upward correct, downward correct formulas),
- ▶ Boolean variables address the problem of incorporating into the syntax the act of partitioning a set into countably many pieces, by player  $\exists$  in Cartagena game.
- ▶ Boolean variables  $X$  range over subsets of some  $\theta$ : over subtuples of some long tuple  $\alpha_\theta$  played by player  $\forall$ .
- ▶ Then, when a Boolean variable  $X \in \text{BVar}_\kappa^\theta$  takes a value  $A \subseteq \theta$ , this, in some sense, corresponds to fixing the subtuple

$$\alpha_A \subseteq \alpha_\theta.$$

## MAIN POINT OF BOOLEAN VARIABLES

By integrating Boolean variables into the syntax, we allow formulas to be “undecided” about player  $\forall$ 's choice concerning which piece of partition should the game be continued with.

# THE KABUKI DEFINITION OF BOOLEAN EXTENSION $\mathcal{L}_{\kappa\kappa}^{\text{Bool}}$

**Definition 1.3** (Boolean extension  $\mathcal{L}_{\kappa\kappa}^{\text{Bool}}$ ). Let  $\lambda$  be an infinite regular cardinal. The  $\mathcal{L}_{\kappa\kappa}^{\text{Bool}}$ -formulas are defined as follows.

- (1) Every atomic formula with variables in  $\text{Var}_\lambda$  is an  $\mathcal{L}_{\kappa\kappa}^{\text{Bool}}$ -formula.
- (2) If  $\varphi$  is an  $\mathcal{L}_{\kappa\kappa}^{\text{Bool}}$ -formula then so is

$$\neg\varphi.$$

- (3) If  $\Phi$  is a set of  $\mathcal{L}_{\kappa\kappa}^{\text{Bool}}$ -formulas of size  $< \lambda$ , then

$$\bigvee \Phi,$$

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- (4) If  $\varphi$  is an  $\mathcal{L}_{\kappa\kappa}^{\text{Bool}}$ -formula and  $\bar{x} \in \text{Var}_\lambda$  has length  $< \lambda$ , then

$$\exists \bar{x}\varphi,$$

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- (5) If  $\{\varphi_u : u \in \theta\}$  are  $\mathcal{L}_{\kappa\kappa}^{\text{Bool}}$ -formulas, then so are the following:

$$\bigvee_{u \in \theta(X)} \varphi_u,$$

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provided that  $\theta < \lambda$ ,  $X \in \text{BVar}_\lambda^0$  and  $p : \mathcal{P}(\theta) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(\theta))$  is a function.

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- (7) If  $\varphi$  is an  $\mathcal{L}_{\kappa\kappa}^{\text{Bool}}$ -formula,  $\bar{X} = (X_i)_{i \in \bar{\text{BVar}}_\lambda}$  is a tuple of Boolean variables of length  $< \lambda$  with  $X_i \in \text{BVar}_\lambda^0$  and  $\mathcal{W}_i \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\theta_i)$ , then

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For a singular cardinal  $\kappa$ , we let

$$\mathcal{L}_{\kappa\kappa}^{\text{Bool}} := \bigcup_{\lambda < \kappa} \mathcal{L}_{\lambda\lambda}^{\text{Bool}}.$$

A Boolean variable can occur only as an (uninterpreted) index set of a conjunction or a disjunction. The operation

$$\bigvee_{u \in \theta(X)}$$

from clause 5 is a logical operation that introduces  $X$  as a variable in the formula. It is not a "real" disjunction. Later, we will see how to substitute a set  $A$  for  $X$ , resulting in a "real" disjunction

$$\bigvee_{u \in \theta(A)}.$$

The definition for substitution is given below, Definition 1.11. Similarly for the conjunction  $\bigwedge_{u \in \theta(X)}$ .

**Example 1.4.** For example, the formula

$$\bigvee P(x_i^X)$$

# THE NEW STUFF

If  $\{\phi_u : u \subseteq \theta\}$  are  $\mathcal{L}_{\lambda\lambda}^{\text{Bool}}$ -formulas, then so are all the following:

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where  $\theta < \lambda$ ,  $X \in \text{BVar}_{\lambda}^{\theta}$  and  $p : \mathcal{P}(\theta) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(\theta))$  is a function,

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- ▶ an involved definition of **substitution** maps these new Boolean variable formulas into “usual” formulas of  $\mathcal{L}_{\kappa\kappa}$

# THE COLLAPSE TO CARTAGENA LOGIC

A **global valuation** is a tuple  $\bar{A} = (A_X)_{X \in \text{BVar}_\kappa}$  such that  $A_X \subseteq \theta$  whenever  $X \in \text{BVar}_\kappa^\theta$ .

Every global valuation  $\bar{A}$  uniquely determines a mapping

$$\mathcal{L}_{\kappa\kappa}^{\text{Bool}}\text{-flas} \xrightarrow{\pi_{\bar{A}}} \mathcal{L}_{\kappa\kappa}\text{-flas}$$

via the substitution

$$\phi(\bar{x}, \bar{X}) \mapsto \phi(\bar{x}, \bar{A}).$$

# SEMANTICS OF CARTAGENA LOGIC

With valuations we get semantics:

Let  $\phi(\bar{x}, \bar{X})$  be an  $\mathcal{L}_{\kappa\kappa}^{\text{Bool}}$ -formula. For a structure  $\mathcal{M}$ , a tuple  $\bar{a} \in \mathcal{M}^{\bar{x}}$  and a valuation  $\bar{A}$  of  $\bar{X}$ , we denote

$$\mathcal{M} \models \phi(\bar{a}, \bar{A})$$

if  $\mathcal{M} \models \phi(\bar{x}, \bar{A})[\bar{a}/\bar{x}]$ , where  $\phi(\bar{x}, \bar{A})$  is understood as an  $\mathcal{L}_{\kappa\kappa}$ -formula in the natural way, and  $[\bar{a}/\bar{x}]$  denotes the ordinary substitution of  $\bar{a}$  for  $\bar{x}$ , defined for the logic  $\mathcal{L}_{\kappa\kappa}$ .

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The proof requires dealing with partitions and their refinements, and uses heavily the notion of formulas being “downwards/upwards correct” - the restriction in the definition of the induction.

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- ▶ The method of “randomizing” (in first order, continuous first order) has proved extremely fruitful. This is the first situation where (to our knowledge) this happens in infinitary logic!

# MODEL THEORY

Shelah's  $\mathcal{L}_\kappa^1$  has interpolation, Lindström, strong well-ordering number  $\kappa$  (all of these for uncountable  $\kappa = \beth_\kappa$ ). Moreover, if  $\kappa$  is strongly compact,  $\mathcal{L}_\kappa^1$  has a weak version of the “Keisler-Shelah” phenomenon.

Our Cartagena Logic shares the strong well-ordering number  $\kappa$ . It does not satisfy interpolation nor Lindström, but has better behaviour with respect to unions of elementary chains and potentially better control of definability (at least, explicit!).

# HOW EXPLICIT?

The following classes of structures are definable in the Cartagena logic  $\mathcal{L}_{\kappa}^c$ , for each cardinal  $\theta < \kappa$ :

1. Models of cardinality  $\theta$ , as well as models with a predicate or a definable subset of size  $\theta$ .
2. Graphs with a clique of size  $\theta$ .
3. Graphs of size  $\theta$  that admit an  $\omega$ -coloring.
4. For each cardinal  $\theta < \kappa$  of uncountable cofinality:  $\theta$ -Aronszajn trees.
5. Partially ordered models with an uncountable descending chain.

## EXPLICIT EXAMPLES (TWO OF THE PREVIOUS):

- **Graphs with an  $\omega$ -coloring** The class of graphs of size  $\theta$ , colorable by  $\omega$  colors:

$$\forall_{\theta} \bigvee_{f:\theta \rightarrow \omega} \bigwedge_{X \in f} \left( \bigwedge_{\{i,j\} \in [X]^2} \neg E(x_i, x_j) \right)$$

plus graph axioms and the sentence that defines models of size  $\theta$ .

- **Long descending chains:** Let  $\theta := \omega_1$ . The sentence

$$\exists_{\theta} \bigwedge_{f:\theta \rightarrow \omega} \bigvee_{X \in f} \bigvee_{u \in [X]^{\theta}} \bigwedge_{\substack{\{i,j\} \in [u]^2, \\ i < j}} x_j < x_i$$

defines the class of models with an uncountable descending chain.

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The  $\omega$ -covering property is heavily used by Shelah in the analysis of  $\mathcal{L}_\kappa^1$  and we also prove it for Cartagena logic (and use it).

## OPEN QUESTIONS

- ▶ Computation of **types** in our syntax (and types in Boolean expansion) - for the first order case, this is essentially Keisler (and Fajardo's analysis of typespaces at the start of his extension of Keisler's logic),
- ▶ Develop more **stability theory**
- ▶ Connections with **AECs** seem obvious, but limited
- ▶ Use this syntax to create **topological analysis** of the logic(s)
- ▶ Explore automorphisms (Caicedo 2004: **Int+URP** implies that every definable class must have a non-trivial automorphism, so well-ordering in particular cannot be definable).
- ▶ **Hanf numbers** - with Aguilera, Kivimäki and Väänänen, now in progress!

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