

# Saving Truth from Orthodoxy

## Better Logic Through Algebra, Probability, and Dynamical Systems

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# Diversity Is the Savior of Logical Truth

I. There is important **MATHEMATICAL DIVERSITY** in what we call 'logic' – 4 different classes of problems:

- ▶ Arithmetic
- ▶ Algebra (equations)
- ▶ Dynamical systems
- ▶ Probability

II. In arithmetic every formula has an elementary value (like 0 or 1). But the other systems return more complex objects (sets, graphs, polynomials):

$$\{0, 1\} \quad \{\} \quad \begin{array}{c} \textcircled{0} \rightleftarrows \textcircled{1} \end{array} \quad \theta_3 + \theta_1\theta_2 - \theta_1\theta_3$$

Certain features of these objects seem paradoxical.

III. But when logic problems are properly classified, and unorthodox objects like these are accepted as truth values, many paradoxes disappear.\*

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\*The **TRUTH FAIRY** replaces paradoxes with complex truth values.

# Does the Truth Fairy Exist?

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GEORGE BOOLE 1815-1864

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# Lies, Damn Lies, and Interpretations

- ▶ My Liar sentence:  $x$ : This sentence  $x$  is false.
- ▶ As a definition:  $x :: \neg x, x \in \{\text{TRUE}, \text{FALSE}\}$
- ▶ Two interpretations: equation or recurrence relation
  - ▶ Many senses of  $=$  (test, assignment, constraint)
  - ▶ In C program,  $x==1-x$  and  $x=1-x$  are different.
  - ▶ Mathematica `Solve[x==1-x]` different again.
- ▶ As an equation:  $x = 1 - x, x \in \{0, 1\}$ 
  - ▶ From Boole:  $\text{TRUE} \mapsto 1; \text{FALSE} \mapsto 0; \neg x \mapsto 1 - x$ .
- ▶ As a recurrence:  $x_{t+1} \leftarrow 1 - x_t, x \in \{0, 1\}$ 
  - ▶ Assignment introduces an arrow of time.
- ▶ What kinds of truth values do we get from these two interpretations?

# Solving Equations Gives a Set of Solutions

- ▶ A logical **AXIOM** is a polynomial **EQUATION**:
  - ▶ LOGICAL NOTATION: A judgment  $\vdash \psi$  that asserts the truth of its content ( $\psi$  in propositional calculus)
  - ▶ POLYNOMIAL NOTATION: An equation  $q = 0$  where  $q$  is  $1 - \text{POLY}(\psi)$  using Boole's translation of logic:
    - ▶  $\text{POLY}(\neg p) = 1 - p$ ;  $\text{POLY}(p \rightarrow q) = 1 - p + pq$ ; etc.
    - ▶  $\psi = \text{TRUE} \rightsquigarrow \text{POLY}(\psi) = 1 \rightsquigarrow 1 - \text{POLY}(\psi) = 0$
- ▶ The **SOLUTION SET** to polynomial equations gives the possible values of an objective formula  $\phi$  subject to some axioms  $\vdash \psi_1, \dots, \vdash \psi_m$ :

$$\mathcal{S}_Q(p) \equiv \{p(\mathbf{x}) : x_i \in \{0, 1\}, q_j(\mathbf{x}) = 0\}$$

with  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ ;  $p, q \in \mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}]$ ;  $p = \text{POLY}(\phi)$ ;  
each  $q_j = 1 - \text{POLY}(\psi_j)$ ;  $Q = \{q_1, \dots, q_m\}$ .

- ▶ This solution set must be a subset of the set of elementary values: for 2-valued logic  $\mathcal{S}_Q(p) \subseteq \{0, 1\}$ .

# Solution Sets Are Good Truth Values

- ▶ Solution set  $\mathcal{S}_Q(\text{POLY}(\phi))$  gives truth value of the objective  $\phi$  subject to the axioms  $\vdash \psi_j$  given as  $Q$ :
  - {1}  $\phi$  is a **THEOREM**.
  - {0}  $\phi$  is the negation of a theorem.
  - {0, 1}  $\phi$  is **AMBIGUOUS**
  - $\{\}$   $\phi$  is **UNSATISFIABLE**: the axioms  $\vdash \psi_j$  are inconsistent
- ▶ Inverse sets of polynomials are useful:
  - ▶  $\mathcal{S}_Q^{-1}(\{1\})$ : the set of all theorems entailed by axioms  $Q$
  - ▶  $\mathcal{S}_Q^{-1}(\{0\})$ : the *ideal* (algebraic geometry)  $Q$  generates
- ▶ This logic is **PARACONSISTENT** and **PARACOMPLETE**.
  - ▶ **SOME INCLUDED MIDDLE**: truth values come from the **POWER SET**  $\{\{0\}, \{1\}, \{0, 1\}, \{\}\}$  of the set  $\{0, 1\}$ .
    - ▶ Different idea from adding new elementary objects (like  $\frac{1}{2}$  or 2), as usual in 'multivalued' logics.
  - ▶ **NO EXPLOSION FROM CONTRADICTION**: inconsistent axioms give every objective the empty solution set: so *nothing* is declared a theorem, not *everything*.

# Sets of Solution Sets Give Modal Logic

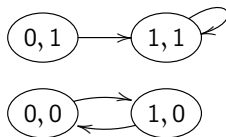
$s \equiv \mathcal{S}_Q(\text{POLY}(\phi))$				DESCRIPTION OF $\phi$ GIVEN AXIOMS $\vdash \psi_j$ IN $Q$		
{0}	{1}	{0, 1}	{}	SET	MODAL	NATURAL LANGUAGE
	•			$s = \{1\}$	$\Box(\phi)$	necessarily true
•		•	•	$s \neq \{1\}$	$\neg\Box(\phi)$	not necessarily true
•				$s = \{0\}$	$\Box(\neg\phi)$	necessarily false
	•	•	•	$s \neq \{0\}$	$\neg\Box(\neg\phi)$	not necessarily false
	•	•		$1 \in s$	$\Diamond(\phi)$	possibly true
•			•	$1 \notin s$	$\neg\Diamond(\phi)$	not possibly true
•		•		$0 \in s$	$\Diamond(\neg\phi)$	possibly false
	•	•		$0 \notin s$	$\neg\Diamond(\neg\phi)$	not possibly false
			•	$s = \{\}$	$\emptyset(\phi)$	necessarily unsatisfiable
		•		$ s  > 1$	$\boxtimes(\phi)$	necessarily ambiguous
•	•			$ s  = 1$	$\Box(\phi)$	determinate
•	•	•	•	$s \subseteq \{0, 1\}$	$\heartsuit(\phi)$	$\{0, 1\}$ -compatible

- ▶ We reject  $\Diamond(\phi) \equiv \neg\Box(\neg\phi)$ : ‘not necessarily false’ allows inconsistent axioms, ‘possibly true’ does not.
- ▶ We reject  $\Box(\phi) \equiv \phi$ :  $\Box(\phi)$  depends on axioms in  $Q$  but  $\phi$  itself does not. Better:  $\Box(\phi|Q)$ ,  $\Diamond(\phi|Q)$ , etc.

# Curry's Dynamical System

$x$ : If this sentence  $x$  is true then  $y$  is true.

0. Definition:  $x :: x \rightarrow y$  with  $x, y \in \{\text{TRUE}, \text{FALSE}\}$ 
  - ▶ Boolean POLY  $(x \rightarrow y) = 1 - x + xy$  with  $x, y \in \{0, 1\}$
1. As recurrence:  $x_{t+1} \leftarrow 1 - x_t + x_t y_t$  with  $x, y \in \{0, 1\}$ 
  - ▶ Dynamical system with state  $(x, y)$ , transition graph:



- ▶ There is one fixed point  $(x, y) = (1, 1)$ .
  - ▶ Because of the periodic cycle it seems **PARADOXICAL** when  $y = 0$  (i.e. the consequent in  $x \rightarrow y$  is false).
2. As equation:  $x = 1 - x + xy$  with  $x, y \in \{0, 1\}$ 
    - ▶ Solution sets  $S_Q(x) = \{1\}$  and  $S_Q(y) = \{1\}$
    - ▶ Interpretation #1 adds value: shows oscillating cycle

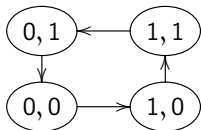


# Kripke's Watergate Dynamical System

$x$ : That sentence  $y$  is false (J: "Most Nixon assertions false")

$y$ : That sentence  $x$  is true (N: "Everything Jones says true")

0. Definition:  $x :: \neg y$ ,  $y :: x$  with  $x, y \in \{\text{TRUE}, \text{FALSE}\}$ 
  - ▶ Boolean POLY  $(\neg y) = 1 - y$
1. As recurrences:  $x_{t+1} \leftarrow 1 - y_t$ ,  $y_{t+1} \leftarrow x_t$ ;  $x, y \in \{0, 1\}$ 
  - ▶ Dynamical system with state  $(x, y)$ , transition graph:



- ▶ There are no fixed points.
  - ▶ Periodic cycle: every state seems **PARADOXICAL**.
2. As equations:  $x = 1 - y$  and  $y = x$  with  $x, y \in \{0, 1\}$ 
    - ▶ Solution sets  $S_Q(x) = \{\}$  and  $S_Q(y) = \{\}$
    - ▶ Interpretation #1 adds value: pattern of infeasibility

# Gödel's Dynamical System

$x$ : This formula  $x$  is true if and only if it is not provable.

0. Definition:  $x :: \neg \text{PROVABLE}(x)$ ;  $x \in \{\text{TRUE}, \text{FALSE}\}$

- ▶ Solution set  $\{1\}$  means 'provable'; here no axioms.
- ▶ Revised definition  $x :: (\mathcal{S}_\square(x) \neq \{1\})$  or  $x :: \neg \square(x)$ .
- ▶ But  $\mathcal{S}_\square(x)$  is just  $\{x\}$ . Then  $(\{x\} \neq \{1\})$  is true when  $x = 0$  and false when  $x = 1$ : its value is  $1 - x$ .
- ▶ Re-revised definition  $x :: 1 - x$  (as the Liar  $x :: \neg x$ ).

1. As recurrence:  $x_{t+1} \Leftarrow 1 - x_t$  with  $x \in \{0, 1\}$

- ▶ Dynamical system with state  $x$  and transition graph:



- ▶ There are no fixed points.
- ▶ Periodic cycle: Gödel called paradox **UNDECIDABLE**.

2. As equation:  $x = 1 - x$  with  $x \in \{0, 1\}$

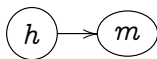
- ▶ Solution set  $\mathcal{S}_Q(x) = \{\}$

# The Logic of Parametric Probability

- ▶ My **PARAMETRIC PROBABILITY ANALYSIS** method solves many problems in logic, including:
  - ▶ Counterfactual conditionals
  - ▶ Probabilities of formulas in the propositional calculus
  - ▶ Aristotle's syllogisms
  - ▶ Smullyan's puzzles with liars and truth-tellers
- ▶ Solutions to probability queries are polynomials in the parameters  $\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots$  used to specify probabilities (distinct from the primary variables  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  whose probabilities are specified).
- ▶ These  $\theta$ -polynomials can be used for secondary analysis such as linear and nonlinear optimization, search, and general algebra.
- ▶ Details are on arXiv.org. With some probability  $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$ , I will present at LC2012 in Manchester.

# Probability: Counterfactual Conditionals

- ▶ Goodman's counterfactual piece of butter:
  - B1.** If it had been heated it would have melted.
  - B2.** If it had been heated it would not have melted.
- ▶ Undesired:  $\text{POLY}((h \rightarrow m) \wedge (h \rightarrow \neg m)) = 1 - h$ .  
B1, B2 as material implication say  $\neg h$ , not heated.
- ▶ Probability network (*heat, melt*;  $0 \leq \theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3 \leq 1$ ):



$h$	$\text{Pr}_0(h)$
1	$\theta_1$
0	$1 - \theta_1$

$\text{Pr}_0(m h)$		
$h$	$m = 1$	$m = 0$
1	$\theta_2$	$1 - \theta_2$
0	$\theta_3$	$1 - \theta_3$

$h$	$m$	$\text{Pr}(h, m)$
1	1	$\theta_1\theta_2$
1	0	$\theta_1 - \theta_1\theta_2$
0	1	$\theta_3 - \theta_1\theta_3$
0	0	$1 - \theta_1 - \theta_3 + \theta_1\theta_3$

- ▶  $\text{Pr}(m = 1 | h = 1) \Rightarrow (\theta_1\theta_2) / (\theta_1) \dots 0/0$  if  $\theta_1 = 0$
- ▶  $\text{Pr}(h = 1) \Rightarrow \theta_1, \text{Pr}(m = 1) \Rightarrow \theta_3 + \theta_1\theta_2 - \theta_1\theta_3$
- ▶ B1 is constraint  $\theta_2 = 1$ ; B2 is incompatible  $\theta_2 = 0$ .
- ▶ B1 and B2 constrain output  $\text{Pr}(m|h)$ , not  $\text{Pr}(h)$ .
- ▶ Results are quotients of polynomials in  $\mathbb{R}[\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3]$ .

# Post-Paradox Paradigm for Logic

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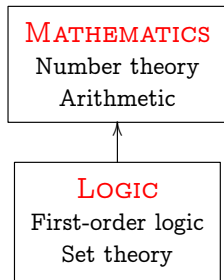
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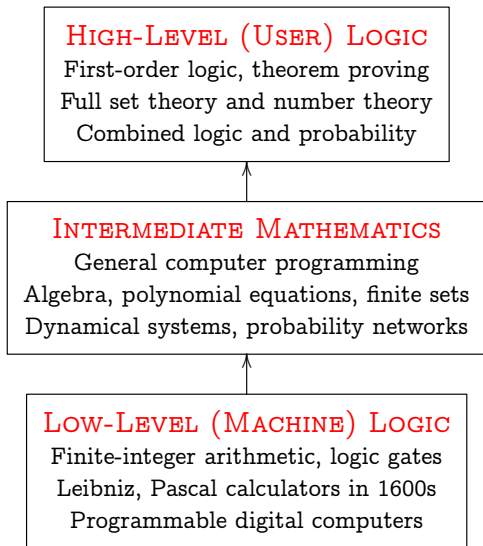
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# Upgrade to Logicism 2.0

## 1.0: One Step



## 2.0: Layered Software and Systems



# Conclusion: Paradox Lost, Logic Found

- ▶ What we call 'logic' includes four different classes of mathematical problems: arithmetic, algebra, dynamical systems, and probability.
- ▶ When logic problems are appropriately classified and analyzed (as if by the Truth Fairy), things that once seemed paradoxical or undecidable become routine.
- ▶ In particular, some logic problems specify dynamical systems with periodic orbits. These results are not pathological and they do not render formal reasoning incomplete in any fundamental way.
- ▶ For sound logic, celebrate mathematical diversity:
  - ▶ *Say it loud: polynomial and proud!*
  - ▶ *Sets are solutions too*
  - ▶ *Probability* ♡ *Logic*
  - ▶ *Oscillation is not a crime*

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# Paradoxes Get in the Way of Applications

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For **MEDICAL DECISION MAKING** I need formal reasoning systems that deliver a few important features:

- ▶ Reasoning under uncertainty and ambiguity
- ▶ Learning from observations and data
- ▶ Verifiable correctness
- ▶ Introspection and metalevel reasoning

But these features are exactly the subjects of several **PARADOXES** and other challenges in mathematical logic, decision theory, and probability theory.

- ▶ What seems paradoxical to logicians and why?
- ▶ Can we solve these issues?

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# Philosophy: From Pythagoras to Gödel

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- ▶ Gödel took as his prototype the Liar sentence of Eubulides (ca. 350 B.C., with Aristotle).
- ▶ We can also learn from Pythagoras (ca. 500 B.C.).
  - ▶  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$  gives irrational  $c$  for some integers  $a$ ,  $b$ .
  - ▶ The Pythagoreans regarded only 'natural numbers' as acceptable; they drowned Hippasus at sea for  $\sqrt{2}$ !
  - ▶ It took time to accept  $\sqrt{2}$ ,  $\sqrt{-1}$ , etc. as numbers; we still insult them as 'irrational' ( $\alpha\lambda\acute{o}\gamma\omicron\varsigma$ , not logical) and 'imaginary' (not 'real').
- ▶ Is Gödel's 'undecidable' like Pythagoras' 'irrational'? Is the orthodox view to accept only THEOREM or NEGATION-OF-THEOREM as answers too narrow?
  1. Are there some mathematical objects that make sense as truth values for self-referential formulas like Gödel's, Russell's, etc.? Yes!
  2. (But can we do interesting logic with them?)

# Arithmetic: Polynomial Propositions

The **PROPOSITIONAL CALCULUS** can be viewed as arithmetic where logical operators act on polynomials.

- ▶ Logical formula  $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mapsto p \in \mathbb{R}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ .
  - ▶ Function **POLY** maps formulas to polynomials.
- ▶ Boole showed how to interpret logical operators for polynomial arguments  $(p, q)$  and polynomial values:

<b>TRUE</b>	$\mapsto 1$	$p \wedge q$	$\mapsto p \times q$
<b>FALSE</b>	$\mapsto 0$	$p \vee q$	$\mapsto p + q - pq$
$\neg p$	$\mapsto 1 - p$	$p \rightarrow q$	$\mapsto 1 - p + pq$
		$p \leftrightarrow q$	$\mapsto 1 - p - q + 2pq$

- ▶ Each  $x_i \in \{0, 1\}$ , so  $x_i = x_i^2$ : can substitute  $x_i$  for  $x_i^2$
- ▶ For example (using  $\mathbb{R}[x, y]$  as elementary set):
  - ▶  $x \wedge (x \rightarrow y) \Rightarrow x \times (1 - x + xy) \Rightarrow x - x^2 + x^2y \Rightarrow xy$
  - ▶ So **POLY**  $(x \wedge (x \rightarrow y)) = xy$  just as **POLY**  $(2 + 2) = 4$
  - ▶ Inverse: **POLY**<sup>-1</sup>  $(xy) = \{x \wedge y, x \wedge (x \rightarrow y), \dots\}$

# Using Inverse Evaluation Functions

- ▶ Inverse arithmetical evaluation gives the **LOGICAL PREIMAGE** of a polynomial:

$$\text{POLY}^{-1}(p) \equiv \{\phi : \phi \in \mathcal{L}_a, \text{POLY}(\phi) = p\}$$

These logical formulas share the same truth table.

- ▶ E.g.  $\text{POLY}^{-1}(xy) = \{x \wedge y, x \wedge (x \rightarrow y), \dots\}$
- ▶ Inverse algebraic evaluation gives the set of all polynomials with a common solution set given  $A$ :

$$\mathcal{S}_Q^{-1}(s) \equiv \{p : p \in K[x_1, \dots, x_n], \mathcal{S}_Q(p) = s\}$$

Therefore  $\mathcal{S}_Q^{-1}(\{1\})$  is the **SET OF ALL THEOREMS** entailed by the axioms in  $Q$  (in polynomial form).

- ▶ Like the *ideal*  $\mathcal{S}_Q^{-1}(\{0\})$  this set has a closed form.
- ▶ Using  $\mathbb{F}_2$ , the set  $\mathcal{S}_Q^{-1}(\{1\}) \subset \mathbb{F}_2[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  is finite.
- ▶ The logical preimage  $\text{POLY}^{-1}(p)$  gives logical notation for each polynomial theorem  $p \in \mathcal{S}_Q^{-1}(\{1\})$ .

# The Dynamic Topology of Truth

- ▶ In **DYNAMICAL SYSTEMS** the value of a formula is a state-transition graph. Each state is usually an elementary object or a vector or set of them.
- ▶ The topology of each graph specifies a truth value.
  - ▶ How many fixed points?
    - 0 **INCONSISTENT**
    - 1 **CONSISTENT**
    - $\geq 2$  **CONTINGENT**
  - ▶ Any nonconvergent orbits (periodic or infinite)?
    - yes UNSTEADY** (These really bother logicians!)
    - no STEADY**
  - ▶ Thus 6 categories of dynamic truth: meta-modalities that concern *stability* rather than *necessity*.
  - ▶ In each state, every formula has a usual solution set.
- ▶ A dynamical system can be solved for its fixed points (thus interpreted as a set of simultaneous equations).

# The Logic of Parametric Probability

Two ways to apply **PARAMETRIC PROBABILITY ANALYSIS**:

- ▶ **EMBEDDING**: Probability tables copy truth tables.
  - ▶ E.g. for  $\phi = A \rightarrow B$  add  $C$  and derived  $\Pr(C | A, B)$ :

$A$	$B$	$A \rightarrow B$		$A$	$B$	$\Pr(C = T)$	$\Pr(C = F)$
T	T	T	$\rightsquigarrow$	T	T	1	0
T	F	F		T	F	0	1
F	T	T		F	T	1	0
F	F	T		F	F	1	0

Ask  $\Pr([A \rightarrow B])$ ,  $\Pr(B | A)$ ,  $\Pr(A | [A \rightarrow B])$ , etc.

- ▶ **DIRECT ENCODING**: Conditional probabilities encode if/then statements (without material implication).
  - ▶ By clever factoring we can constrain  $\Pr(B | A)$  without affecting  $\Pr(A)$ , and get the desired semantics for counterfactual conditionals.
- ▶ Solutions: polynomials in the parameters  $\theta_i$  used to specify probabilities (with rational coefficients).
- ▶ Secondary analysis: optimization, search, etc.

# Embedding: A Challenge in the Cards

Embedding allows reasoning about the probabilities of statements in the propositional calculus.

- ▶ A problem from Johnson-Laird told by Bringsjord:
  - 0 If one of the following is true then so is the other:
    - 1 There is a king in the hand iff there is an ace.
    - 2 There is a king in the hand.
      - ▶ Which is more likely, if either: the king or the ace?
  - ▶ Logical formula for Sentence 0:  $(K \leftrightarrow A) \leftrightarrow K$
  - ▶ Query: Relative values of  $\Pr(A = T)$  and  $\Pr(K = T)$

Detour: easy resolution of illusion

- ▶ Johnson-Laird's 'illusory inference' problems are mostly about simplifying nested biconditionals.
- ▶ Boolean interpretation  $\text{POLY}((K \leftrightarrow A) \leftrightarrow K) = A$ .
- ▶ The ace is present with certainty if Sentence 0 holds; hence it is as likely or more likely than the king.

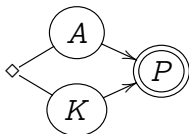


# Probability Network, Embedded Logic

We can also use parametric probability with embedded propositional calculus to solve this ace-king problem.

- ▶ Binary variables  $A$  and  $K$ ; add  $P$  for  $(K \leftrightarrow A) \leftrightarrow K$

- ▶ Network graph:



- ▶ Real parameters  $0 \leq x_i \leq 1$  with  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 1$ .
- ▶ Component probabilities:  $\Pr(A, K)$  is uninformative,  $\Pr(P | A, K)$  copies truth table for  $(K \leftrightarrow A) \leftrightarrow K$ .

$A$	$K$	$\Pr_0(A, K)$
T	T	$x_1$
T	F	$x_2$
F	T	$x_3$
F	F	$x_4$

$\Pr_0(P   A, K)$			
$A$	$K$	$P = T$	$P = F$
T	T	1	0
T	F	1	0
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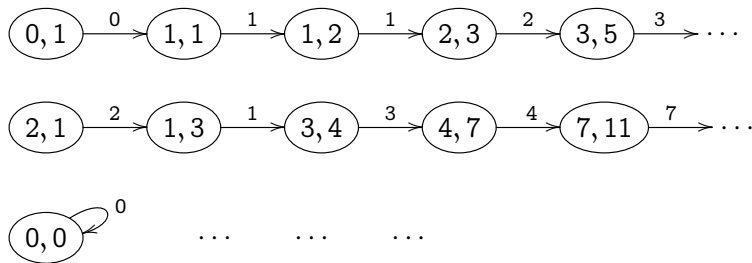
# Primary and Secondary Analysis

We compare the probabilities of  $A$  versus  $K$ , given the condition  $P$  for the problem's assertion  $(K \leftrightarrow A) \leftrightarrow K$ .

- ▶ Primary analysis is symbolic probability inference:
  - ▶  $\Pr(A = T) \Rightarrow x_1 + x_2$
  - ▶  $\Pr(K = T) \Rightarrow x_1 + x_3$
  - ▶  $\Pr(P = T) \Rightarrow x_1 + x_2$
- ▶ Here, secondary analysis is linear optimization:
  - ▶ The difference  $\Pr(A = T) - \Pr(K = T)$  is  $x_2 - x_3$ .
  - ▶ We desire minimum and maximum values of  $x_2 - x_3$  subject to  $0 \leq x_i \leq 1$ ,  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 1$ , and the constraint  $\Pr(P = T) = 1$ , hence  $x_1 + x_2 = 1$ .
  - ▶ By linear programming: minimum 0, maximum 1.
  - ▶ These bounds  $0 \leq \Pr(A = T) - \Pr(K = T) \leq 1$  imply  $\Pr(A = T) \geq \Pr(K = T)$ : the ace is at least as likely as the king (when  $(K \leftrightarrow A) \leftrightarrow K$  holds).
- ▶ Many problems about the probabilities of logical formulas are also linear optimization problems.

# The Familiar Fibonacci Numbers

Annotated state-transition graph using evolution function  $F(x, y) : (y, x + y)$  and objective  $G(x, y) : x$  extracted from the Fibonacci recurrence  $x_{t+2} \leftarrow x_t + x_{t+1}$



- ▶ Each **ORBIT** gives an infinite sequence of objective values. From  $(0, 1)$  the usual  $(0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, \dots)$ .
- ▶ A unique **FIXED POINT** at  $(0, 0)$  since  $(0, 0) = F(0, 0)$
- ▶ All other orbits do not converge

# Self-Referential Quadratic Equations

$c$  is the number of real solutions to  $2x^2 + 3x + c = 0$ .

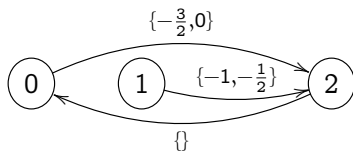
$b$  is the number of real solutions to  $y^2 + 6by + 11 = 0$ .

- As recurrences for  $b$  and  $c$ , state space  $\{0, 1, 2\} \subset \mathbb{R}$ :

$$c_{t+1} \Leftarrow |\{x : x \in \mathbb{R}, c_t \in \mathbb{R}, 2x^2 + 3x + c_t = 0\}|$$

$$b_{t+1} \Leftarrow |\{y : y \in \mathbb{R}, b_t \in \mathbb{R}, y^2 + 6b_t y + 11 = 0\}|$$



- Dynamical system for  $c$  (edges show solutions for  $x$ ):



- Dynamical system for  $b$  (edges show solutions for  $y$ ):



# Outline: Diverse Systems and Solutions

- ▶ ARITHMETIC:  $2 + 2 \Rightarrow 4$
- ▶ ALGEBRA (EQUATIONS):
  - ▶ Data:  $x \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 = x$
  - ▶ Query:  $\{x : x \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 = x\} \Rightarrow \{0, 1\}$
- ▶ DYNAMICAL SYSTEMS:
  - ▶ Data:  $x \in \{0, 1\}, x_{t+1} \leftarrow 1 - x_t$
  - ▶ Query: [Phase portrait of  $x$ ]  $\Rightarrow$  
  - ▶ Query: [Orbit of  $x$  from  $x_0 = 0$ ]  $\Rightarrow (0, 1, 0, 1, \dots)$
- ▶ PROBABILITY:
  - ▶ Data:  $P, Q, R \in \{0, 1\};$  ;  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R};$

$P$		$\Pr_0(Q P)$		$\Pr_0(R P, Q)$				
$P$	$\Pr_0(P)$	$P$	$Q = 1$	$Q = 0$	$P$	$Q$	$R = 1$	$R = 0$
1	$x$	1	$y$	$1 - y$	1	1	1	0
0	$1 - x$	0	$z$	$1 - z$	1	0	0	1
					0	1	1	0
					0	0	1	0

- ▶ Query:  $\Pr(R = 1) - \Pr(Q = 1 | P = 1) \Rightarrow$   
 $1 - x - y + xy$  with  $0 < x \leq 1; 0 \leq y \leq 1$