

Logic-Based Natural Language Processing

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Chapter 1

Administrativa

- ▶ **I will presuppose:** the mandatory CS courses from Semester 1-4, in particular:
(or equivalent)
 - ▶ Course “Grundlagen der Logik in der Informatik” (GLOIN)
 - ▶ Course “Algorithms and data structures”
- ▶ **The following will help:** (we recap if necessary)
 - ▶ AI-1 (symbolic AI)
 - ▶ Ontologies in the semantic web (INF8)
- ▶ **Key Ingredients:** Motivation, interest, curiosity, hard work (LBS is non-trivial)
 - ▶ You can do this course if you want! (and we will help you)

LBS Lab (Dogfooding our own Techniques)

- ▶ **General Plan:** We use the thursday slot to get our hands dirty with actual GLIF representations.
- ▶ **Responsible:** Frederik Schaefer (`jan.frederik.schaefer@fau.de`) Room: 11.137.
- ▶ **Goal:** Reinforce what was taught on tuesdays and have some fun.
- ▶ **Homeworks** will be small individual modeling/formalization problems (**but take time to solve**)
Group submission if and only if explicitly permitted.
- ▶ **Admin:** To keep things running smoothly
 - ▶ Homeworks will be posted on course forum. (discussed in the lab)
 - ▶ Submission via StudOn (details ~ course forum)
- ▶ **Homework Discipline:**
 - ▶ **start early!** (many assignments need more than one evening's work)
 - ▶ Don't start by sitting at a blank screen!
 - ▶ Humans will be trying to understand the text/code/math when grading it.

- ▶ **Academic Assessment:** so far: two parts (Portfolio Assessment)
 - ▶ (20-30 min oral) or 90 min written exam at the end of the semester (50%)
 - ▶ results of the LBS lab (50%)

This might not work with 50+ students, need to see how the course develops!
- ▶ If you have a suggestions, I will probably be happy with that as well.

- ▶ **(No) Textbook:** Course notes at <http://kwarc.info/teaching/LBS>
 - ▶ I mostly prepare them as we go along (**semantically preloaded** \leadsto **research resource**)
 - ▶ Please e-mail me any errors/shortcomings you notice. (**improve for group**)
- ▶ **For GLIF:** Frederik's Master's Thesis [Sch20]
- ▶ **Classical Semantics/Pragmatics:** (in the FAU Library)
 - ▶ Primary reference for LBS: [CKG09] (in the FAU Library)
 - ▶ also: [HHS07; Bir13; Rie10; ZS13; Sta14; Sae03; Por04; Kea11; Jac83; Cru11; Ari10]
- ▶ **Computational Semantics:** [BB05; EU10]
- ▶ **StudOn Forum:** <https://www.studon.fau.de/crs4625835.html> for
 - ▶ announcements, homeworks (**my view on the forum**)
 - ▶ questions, discussion among your fellow students (**your forum too, use it!**)
- ▶ **Course Videos:** at <https://fau.tv/course/3647>

Do I need to attend the lectures

- ▶ Attendance is not mandatory for the LBS lecture (official version)
- ▶ There are two ways of learning: (both are OK, your mileage may vary)
 - ▶ Approach B: Read a book/papers (here: course notes)
 - ▶ Approach I: come to the lectures, be involved, interrupt me whenever you have a question.
The only advantage of I over B is that books/papers do not answer questions
- ▶ Approach S: come to the lectures and sleep does not work!
- ▶ The closer you get to research, the more we need to discuss!

Experiment: Learning Support with KWARC Technologies

- ▶ **My research area:** Deep representation formats for (mathematical) knowledge
- ▶ **One Application:** Learning support systems (represent knowledge to transport it)
- ▶ **Experiment:** Start with this course (Drink my own medicine)
 1. Re-represent the slide materials in **OMDoc** (Open Mathematical Documents)
 2. Feed it into the **ALeA** system (<http://courses.voll-ki.fau.de>)
 3. Try it on you all (to get feedback from you)
- ▶ Research tasks
 - ▶ help me complete the material on the slides (what is missing/would help?)
 - ▶ I need to remember “what I say”, examples on the board. (take notes)
- ▶ Benefits for you (so why should you help?)
 - ▶ you will be mentioned in the acknowledgements (for all that is worth)
 - ▶ you will help build better course materials (think of next-year’s students)

- ▶ **Portal for ALeA Courses:** <https://courses.voll-ki.fau.de>



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- ▶ **AI-1 in ALeA:** <https://courses.voll-ki.fau.de/course-home/ai-1>
 - ▶ All details for the course.
 - ▶ recorded syllabus (keep track of material covered in course)
 - ▶ syllabus of the last semester (for over/preview)
- ▶ **ALeA Status:** The ALeA system is deployed at FAU for over 1000 students taking six courses
 - ▶ (some) students use the system actively (our logs tell us)
 - ▶ reviews are mostly positive/enthusiastic (error reports pour in)

Chapter 2

An Introduction to Natural Language Semantics

- ▶ **Definition 0.1.** A **natural language** is any form of spoken or signed means communication that has evolved naturally in humans through use and repetition without conscious planning or premeditation.
- ▶ **In other words:** the language you use all day long, e.g. English, German, ...
- ▶ **Why Should we care about natural language?:**
 - ▶ Even more so than thinking, language is a skill that only humans have.
 - ▶ It is a miracle that we can express complex thoughts in a **sentence** in a matter of seconds.
 - ▶ It is no less miraculous that a child can learn tens of thousands of words and a complex grammar in a matter of a few years.

2.1 Natural Language and its Meaning

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- ▶ **Definition 1.20.** For **natural language semantics**, the **signs** are usually **utterances** and **names** are usually **phrases**.
- ▶ That is all very abstract and general, can we make this more concrete?
- ▶ Different (academic) disciplines find different concretizations.

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- ▶ **Logic@AI/CS** tries to define meaning and compute with them. (applied semantics)
 - ▶ makes syntax explicit in a formal language (formulae, sentences)
 - ▶ defines truth/validity by mapping sentences into “world” (interpretation)
 - ▶ gives rules of truth-preserving reasoning (inference)

- ▶ **Idea:** Machine Translation is very simple! (we have good lexica)
- ▶ **Example 1.21.** *Peter liebt Maria.* \rightsquigarrow *Peter loves Mary.*
- ▶  this only works for simple examples!
- ▶ **Example 1.22.** *Wirf der Kuh das Heu über den Zaun.* \rightsquigarrow *Throw the cow the hay over the fence.* (differing grammar; Google Translate)
- ▶ **Example 1.23.**  Grammar is not the only problem
 - ▶ *Der Geist ist willig, aber das Fleisch ist schwach!*
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- ▶ **Observation 1.24.** We have to understand the *meaning* for high-quality translation!

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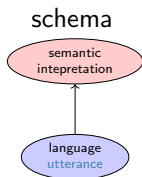
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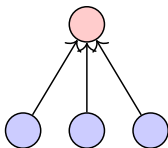
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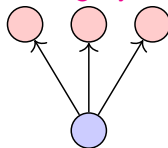
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- ▶ **Definition 1.30.** Interpretation of **natural language utterances**: three problems



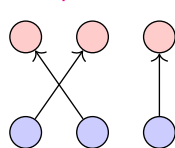
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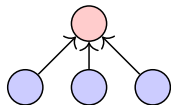
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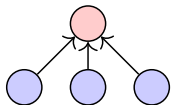


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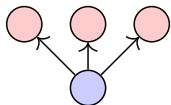
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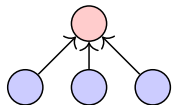
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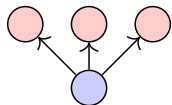
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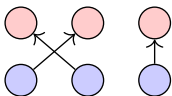
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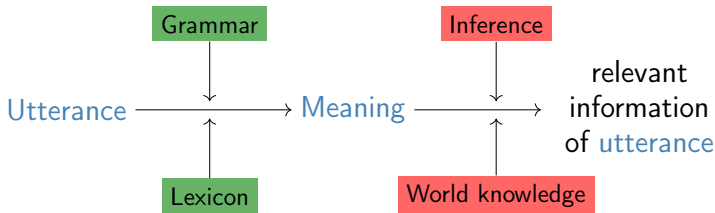
► **Example 1.39 (Composition).**



Every student sleeps $\rightsquigarrow \forall x.student(x) \Rightarrow sleep(x)$

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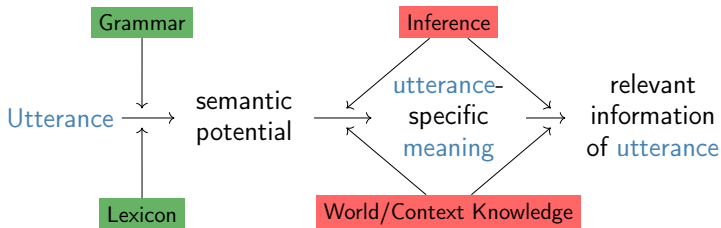
- ▶ **Observation:** Not all information conveyed is **linguistically realized** in an utterance.
- ▶ **Example 1.40.** *The lecture begins at 11:00 am.* What lecture? Today?
- ▶ **Definition 1.41.** We call a piece i of information **linguistically realized** in an utterance U , iff, we can trace i to a fragment of U .
- ▶ **Definition 1.42 (Possible Mechanism).** Inferring the missing pieces from the context and world knowledge:



We call this process **pragmatic analysis**.

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- ▶ **Example 1.43.** *It starts at eleven.* What starts?
- ▶ Before we can resolve the time, we need to resolve the **anaphor** *it*.
- ▶ **Possible Mechanism:** More Inference!



~> Pragmatic analysis is quite complex!

(prime topic of LBS)

Semantics is not a Cure-It-All!

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- ▶ Actually, it was Noah (But you understood the question anyways)

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- ▶ **Demo:**

DBPedia <http://dbpedia.org/snorql/>

Query: Soccer players, who are born in a country with more than 10 million inhabitants, who played as goalkeeper for a club that has a stadium with more than 30.000 seats and the club country is different from the birth country

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► Answer:

(is computed by DBpedia from a [SPARQL query](#))

```
SELECT distinct ?soccerplayer ?countryOfBirth ?team ?countryOfTeam ?stadiumcapacity
{
  ?soccerplayer a dbo:SoccerPlayer ;
  dbo:position|dbp:position <http://dbpedia.org/resource/Goalkeeper_(association_football)> ;
  dbo:birthPlace/dbo:country* ?countryOfBirth ;
  #dbo:number 13 ;
  dbo:team ?team .
  ?team dbo:capacity ?stadiumcapacity ; dbo:ground ?countryOfTeam .
  ?countryOfBirth a dbo:Country ; dbo:populationTotal ?population .
  ?countryOfTeam a dbo:Country .
FILTER (?countryOfTeam != ?countryOfBirth)
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FILTER (?population > 10000000)
} order by ?soccerplayer
```

Results:

SPARQL results:

soccerplayer	countryOfBirth	team	countryOfTeam	stadiumcapacity
:Abdesslam_Benabdellah	:Algeria	:Wydad_Casablanca	:Morocco	67000
:Airton_Moraes_Michellon	:Brazil	:FC_Red_Bull_Salzburg	:Austria	31000
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- ▶ **Observation:** The earlier technologies largely rely on pattern matching, the latter ones need to compute the meaning of the input utterances, e.g. for database lookups in information systems.

What is Natural Language Processing?

- ▶ **Generally:** Studying of **natural languages** and development of systems that can use/generate these.
- ▶ **Definition 2.1.** **Natural language processing (NLP)** is an engineering field at the intersection of **computer science**, **artificial intelligence**, and **linguistics** which is concerned with the **interactions** between **computers** and human (natural) languages. Most challenges in **NLP** involve:
 - ▶ **Natural language understanding (NLU)** that is, enabling **computers** to derive **meaning** (representations) from human or natural language input.
 - ▶ **Natural language generation (NLG)** which aims at generating **natural language** or **speech** from **meaning** representation.
- ▶ For communication with/among humans we need both **NLU** and **NLG**.

What is the State of the Art In NLU?

- ▶ Two avenues of attack for the problem: knowledge-based and statistical techniques (they are complementary)

Deep	Knowledge-based We are here	Not there yet cooperation?
Shallow	no-one wants this	Statistical Methods applications
Analysis ↑ vs. Coverage →	narrow	wide

- ▶ We will cover foundational methods of deep processing in the course and a mixture of deep and shallow ones in the lab.

Environmental Niches for both Approaches to NLU

- ▶ **Definition 2.2.** There are two kinds of applications/tasks in NLU:
 - ▶ **Consumer tasks:** consumer grade applications have tasks that must be fully generic and wide coverage. (e.g. machine translation like Google Translate)
 - ▶ **Producer tasks:** producer grade applications must be high-precision, but can be domain-specific (e.g. multilingual documentation, machinery-control, program verification, medical technology)

Precision	
100%	Producer Tasks
50%	Consumer Tasks
	$10^{3\pm 1}$ Concepts $10^{6\pm 1}$ Concepts Coverage

- ▶ **Example 2.3.** Producing/managing machine manuals in multiple languages across machine variants is a critical **producer task** for machine tool company.
- ▶ A **producer domain** I am interested in: **mathematical**/technical documents.

- ▶ **Definition 2.4 (The NLU Waterfall).** NL understanding is often modeled as a simple linear process: the **NLU waterfall** consists of five consecutive steps:
 - 0) **speech processing**: acoustic signal \rightsquigarrow word hypothesis graph
 - 1) **syntactic processing**: word sequence \rightsquigarrow phrase structure
 - 2) **semantics construction**: phrase structure \rightsquigarrow (quasi-)logical form
 - 3) **semantic/pragmatic analysis**:
(quasi-)logical form \rightsquigarrow knowledge representation
 - 4) **problem solving**: using the generated knowledge (application-specific)
- ▶ **Definition 2.5.** We call any formalization of an utterance as a logical formula a **logical form**. A **quasi-logical form (QLF)** is a representation which can be turned into a logical form by further computation.
- ▶ **In this course:** steps 1), 2) and 3).

2.3 Looking at Natural Language

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- ▶ *nJohn loves golf, and Mary too.* (who does what?)

▶ **Definition 3.50.** A word or phrase is called **anaphoric** (or an **anaphor**), if its interpretation depends upon another phrase in context. In a narrower sense, an **anaphor** refers to an earlier phrase (its **antecedent**), while a **cataphor** to a later one (its **postcedent**).

The process of determining the antecedent or postcedent of an anaphoric phrase is called **anaphor resolution**.

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- ▶ *... Joe Smith... The CEO of Westinghouse announced budget cuts.* (CEO=J.S.!)

2.4 A Taste of Language Philosophy

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- ▶ **Problem:** There are no objects in the real worlds, so the **meaning** of both is \emptyset and thus equal 😞.

2.4.1 Epistemology: The Philosophy of Science

Epistemology – Propositions & Observations

- ▶ **Definition 4.1.** **Epistemology** is the branch of philosophy concerned with studying nature of **knowledge**, its justification, the rationality of **belief**, scientific **theories** and **predictions**, and various related issues.
- ▶ **Definition 4.2.** A **proposition** is a **sentence** about the **actual world** or a class of worlds deemed possible in a **natural** or **formal language** whose **meaning** can be expressed as being **true** or **false** in a specific world.
- ▶ **Definition 4.3.** A **belief** is a **proposition** φ that an **agent** a holds **true** about a class of worlds. This is a characterizing feature of the **agent**.
- ▶ **Definition 4.4 (Belief - The JTB Account).** **Knowledge** is **justified**, **true** belief.
- ▶ **Problem:** How can an **agent** justify a **belief** to obtain **knowledge**.
- ▶ **Definition 4.5.** Given a world w , the **observed value** (or just **value**, i.e. **true** or **false**) of a **proposition** (in w) can be determined by **observations**, that is an **agent**, the **observer**, either **observes** (experiences) that φ is **true** in w or conducts a deliberate, systematic experiment that determines φ to be **true** in w .

Epistemology – Reproducibility & Phenomena

- ▶ **Problem:** Observations are sometimes unreliable, e.g. observer o perceives φ to be true, while it is false or vice versa.
- ▶ **Idea:** Repeat the observations to raise the probability of getting them right.
- ▶ **Definition 4.6.** An observation φ is said to be reproducible, iff φ can be observed by different observers in different situations.
- ▶ **Definition 4.7.** A phenomenon φ is a proposition that is reproducibly observable to be true in a class of worlds.
- ▶ **Problem:** We would like to verify a phenomenon φ , i.e. observe φ in all worlds, But relevant world classes are too large to make this practically feasible.
- ▶ **Definition 4.8.** A world w is a counterexample to a proposition φ , if φ is observably false in w .
- ▶ **Intuition:** The absence of counterexamples is the best we can hope for in general for accepting phenomena.
- ▶ **Intuition:** The phenomena constitute the “world model” of an agent.
- ▶ **Problem:** It is impossible/inefficient (for an agent) to know all phenomena.
- ▶ **Idea:** An agent could retain only a small subset of known propositions, from this all phenomena can be derived.

- ▶ **Definition 4.9.** A **proposition** ψ **follows** from a **proposition** φ , iff ψ is true in any world where φ is.
- ▶ **Definition 4.10.** An **explanation** of a **phenomenon** φ is a set Φ of **propositions**, such that φ **follows** from Φ .
- ▶ **Example 4.11.** $\{\varphi\}$ is a (rather useless) **explanation** for φ .
- ▶ **Intuition:** We prefer **explanations** Φ that explain more than just φ .
- ▶ **Observation:** This often coincides with **explanations** that are in some sense “simpler” or “more elementary” than φ . (\leadsto **Occam's razor**)
- ▶ **Definition 4.12.** A **proposition** is called **falsifiable**, iff **counterexamples** are theoretically possible and the **observation** of a **reproducible** series of **counterexample** is practically feasible.
- ▶ **Definition 4.13.** A **hypothesis** is a proposed **explanation** of a **phenomenon** that is **falsifiable**.

- ▶ **Knowledge Strategy:** Collect hypotheses about the world, drop those with counterexamples and those that can be explained themselves.
- ▶ **Definition 4.14.** A hypothesis φ can be tested in world/situation w by observing the value of φ in w . If the value is true, then we say that the observation o supports φ or is evidence for φ . If it is false then o falsifies φ .
- ▶ **Definition 4.15.** A (scientific) theory for a set Φ of phenomena is a set Θ of hypotheses that
 - ▶ has been tested extensively and rigorously without finding counterexamples, and
 - ▶ is minimal in the sense that no subset of Θ explains Φ .
- ▶ **Definition 4.16.** We call any proposition φ that follows from a theory Φ a prediction of Φ .
- ▶ **Note:** To falsify a theory Φ , it is sufficient to falsify any prediction. Any observation of a prediction φ of Φ supports Φ .

2.4.2 Meaning Theories

- ▶ **The Central Question:** What is the meaning of natural language?
- ▶ This is difficult to answer definitely, ...
- ▶ **But** we can form **meaning theory** that make predictions that we can test.
- ▶ **Definition 4.17.** A **semantic meaning theory** assigns semantic contents to expressions of a language.
- ▶ **Definition 4.18.** A **foundational meaning theory** tries to explain why language expressions have the **meanings** they have; e.g. in terms of mental states of individuals and groups.
- ▶ It is important to keep these two notions apart.
- ▶ We will concentrate on **semantic meaning theories** in this course.

The Meaning of Singular Terms

- ▶ Let's see a **semantic meaning theory** in action.
- ▶ **Definition 4.19.** A **singular term** is a phrase that purports to denote or designate a particular individual person, place, or other object.
- ▶ **Example 4.20.** *Michael Kohlhase* and *Odysseus* are **singular terms**.
- ▶ **Definition 4.21.** In [Fre92], Gottlob Frege distinguishes between **sense** (Sinn) and **referent** (Bedeutung) of **singular terms**.
- ▶ **Example 4.22.** Even though *Odysseus* does not have a **referent**, it has a very real **sense**. (but what is a sense?)
- ▶ **Example 4.23.** The ancient greeks knew the planets *Hesperos* (the evening star) and *Phosphoros* (the morning star). These words have different **senses**, but the – as we now know – same **referent**: the planet Venus.
- ▶ **Remark:** Bertrand Russell views **singular terms** as disguised definite descriptions – *Hesperos* as “the brightest heavenly body that sometimes rises in the evening”. Frege's **sense** can often be conflated with Russell's descriptions. (there can be more than one definite description)

Cresswell's "Most Certain Principle" and Truth Conditions

- ▶ **Problem:** How can we test **meaning theories** in practice?
- ▶ **Definition 4.24.** Cresswell's (1982) **most certain principle (MCP)**: [Cre82]
I'm going to begin by telling you what I think is the most certain thing I think about **meaning**. Perhaps it's the only thing. It is this. If we have two **sentences** A and B , and A is true and B is false, then A and B do not mean the same.
- ▶ **Definition 4.25.** The **truth conditions** of a **sentence** are the conditions of the world under which it is true. These conditions must be such that if all obtain, the **sentence** is true, and if one doesn't obtain, the **sentence** is false.
- ▶ **Observation:** **Meaning** determines **truth conditions** and vice versa.
- ▶ **In Fregean terms** The **sense** of a **sentence** (a thought) determines its **referent** (a truth value).

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This **principle** sounds trivial – and indeed it is, if you think about it – but gives rise to the notion of **truth conditions**, which form the most important way of finding out about the **meaning** of **sentences**: the determinations of **truth conditions**.

▶ **Idea:** To test/determine the **truth conditions** of a **sentence** S in practice, we tell little stories that describe situations/worlds that embed S .

▶ **Example 4.26.** Consider the **ambiguous sentence** from 3.9

John chased the gangster in the red sports car.

For each of three **readings** there is story $\hat{=}$ **truth conditions**

- ▶ John drives the red sports car and chases the gangster
- ▶ John chases the gangster who drives the red sports car
- ▶ John chases the gangster on the back seat of a (very very big) red sports car.

All of these stories correspond to different worlds, so by the **MCP** there must be at least three **readings**!

- ▶ **Definition 4.27.** A meaning theory T is **compositional**, iff the meaning of an expression is a function of the meanings of its parts. We say that T obeys the **compositionality principle** or simply **compositionality** if it is.
- ▶ To compute the meaning of an expression, look up the meanings of the basic expressions forming it and successively compute the meanings of larger parts until a meaning for the whole expression is found.
- ▶ **Example 4.28 (Compositionality at work in arithmetic).** To compute the value of $(x + y)/(z \cdot u)$, look up the values of x , y , z , and u , then compute $x + y$ and $z \cdot u$, and finally compute the value of the whole expression.
- ▶ Many philosophers and linguists hold that compositionality is at work in ordinary language too.

Why Compositionality is Attractive

- ▶ **Compositionality** gives a nice building block for a **meaning theory**:
- ▶ **Example 4.29.** *[Expressions [are [built [from [words [that [combine [into [[larger [and larger]] subexpressions]]]]]]]]]]]]]]]*
- ▶ **Consequence:** To **compute** the **meaning** of an **expression**, look up the **meanings** of its **words** and successively compute the **meanings** of larger parts until a **meaning** for the whole **expression** is found.
- ▶ **Compositionality** explains how people can easily understand **sentences** they have never heard before, even though there are an **infinite** number of **sentences** any given person at any given time has not heard before.

Compositionality and the Congruence Principle

- ▶ Given reasonable assumptions **compositionality** entails the
- ▶ **Definition 4.30.** The **congruence principle** states that whenever A is part of B and A' means just the same as A , replacing A by A' in B will lead to a result that means just the same as B .
- ▶ **Example 4.31.** Consider the following (complex) **sentences**:
 1. *blah blah blah such and such blah blah*
 2. *blah blah blah so and so blah blah*If *such and such* and *so and so* mean the same thing, then 1. and 2. mean the same too.
- ▶ **Conversely:** if 1. and 2. do not mean the same, then *such and such* and *so and so* do not either.

A Test for Synonymy

- ▶ Suppose we accept the **most certain principle** (difference in **truth conditions** implies difference in **meaning**) and the **congruence principle** (replacing words by synonyms results in a synonymous **utterance**). Then we have a diagnostics for **synonymy**: **Replacing utterances by synonyms preserves truth conditions**, or equivalently
- ▶ **Definition 4.32.** The following is called the **truth conditional synonymy test**:
*If replacing A by B in some **sentence** C does not preserve **truth conditions**, then A and B are not synonymous.*
- ▶ We can use this as a test for the question of **individuation**: when are the **meanings** of two **words** the same – when are they **synonymous**?
- ▶ **Example 4.33 (Unsurprising Results).** The following **sentences** differ in **truth conditions**.
 1. *The cat is on the mat.*
 2. *The dog is on the mat.*Hence *cat* and *dog* are not synonymous. The converse holds for
 1. *John is a Greek.*
 2. *John is a Hellene.*In this case there is no difference in **truth conditions**.
- ▶ But there might be another context that does give a difference.

Contentious Cases of Synonymy Test

► **Example 4.34 (Problem).** The following sentences differ in truth values:

1. *Mary believes that John is a Greek*
2. *Mary believes that John is a Hellene*

So *Greek* is not synonymous to *Hellene*. The same holds in the classical example:

1. *The Ancients knew that Hesperus was Hesperus*
2. *The Ancients knew that Hesperus was Phosphorus*

In these cases most language users do perceive a difference in truth conditions while some philosophers vehemently deny that the sentences under 1. could be true in situations where the 2. sentences are false.

► It is important here of course that the context of substitution is within the scope of a verb of propositional attitude. (maybe later!)

- ▶ **Definition 4.35 (Synonymy).** The following is called the **truth conditional synonymy test**:
If replacing A by B in some sentence C does not preserve truth conditions in a compositional part of C , then A and B are not synonymous.

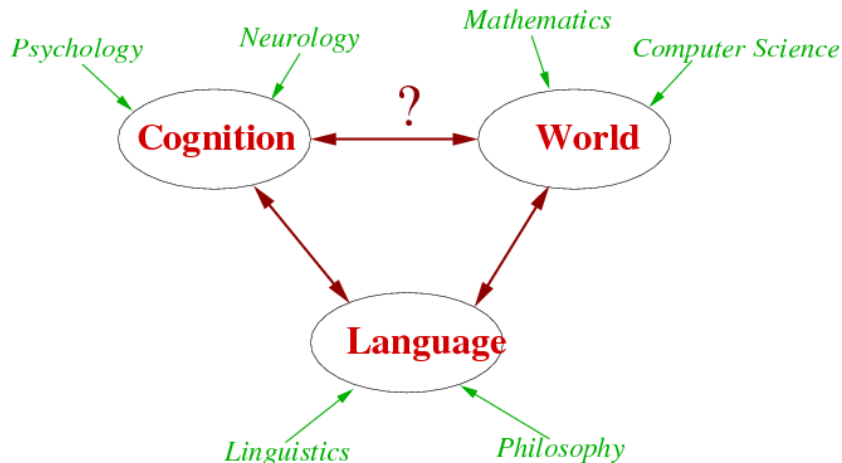
Testing Truth Conditions with Logic

- ▶ **Definition 4.36.** A **logical language model** \mathcal{M} for a **natural language** L consists of a **logical system** $\langle \mathcal{L}, \mathcal{K}, \models \rangle$ and a **function** φ from L sentences to \mathcal{L} -formulae.
- ▶ **Problem:** How do we find out whether \mathcal{M} models L faithfully?
- ▶ **Idea:** Test **truth conditions** of **sentences** against the **predictions** \mathcal{M} makes.
- ▶ **Problem:** The **truth conditions** for a **sentence** S in L can only be formulated and verified by humans that speak L .
- ▶ **In Practice:** **Truth conditions** are expressed as “stories” that specify salient situations. Native speakers of L are asked to judge whether they make S true/false.
- ▶ **Observation 4.37.** A **logical language model** $\mathcal{M} := \langle L, \mathcal{L}, \varphi \rangle$ can be **tested**:
 1. Select a **sentence** S and a **situation** W that makes S true. (*according to humans*)
 2. Translate S in to an \mathcal{L} -formula $S' := \varphi(S)$.
 3. Express W as a set Φ of \mathcal{L} -formulae. ($\Phi \hat{=} \text{truth conditions}$)
 4. \mathcal{M} is **supported** if $\Phi \models S'$, **falsified** if $\Phi \not\models S'$.
- ▶ **Corollary 4.38.** A **logical language model** constitutes a **semantic meaning theory**.

2.5 Computational Semantics as a Natural Science

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- ▶ **In a nutshell:** Formal logic studies formal languages, their relation with the world (in particular the truth conditions). Computational logic adds the question about the computational behavior of the relevant aspects of the formal languages.
- ▶ This is almost the same as the task of natural language semantics!
- ▶ It is one of the key ideas that logics are good scientific models for natural languages, since they simplify certain aspects so that they can be studied in isolation. In particular, we can use the general scientific method of
 1. observing
 2. building formal theories for an aspect of reality,
 3. deriving the consequences of the hypotheses about the world in the theories
 4. testing the predictions made by the theory against the real-world data. If the theory predicts the data, then this supports the theory, if not, we refine the theory, starting the process again at 2.



Chapter 3

Symbolic Systems for Semantics

3.1 The Grammatical Framework (GF)

3.1.1 Recap: (Context-Free) Grammars

Phrase Structure Grammars (Motivation)

- ▶ **Problem Recap:** We do not have enough text data to build word sequence language models \Leftarrow data sparsity.
- ▶ **Idea:** Categorize words into classes and then generalize “acceptable word sequences” into “acceptable word class sequences” \leadsto phrase structure grammars.
- ▶ **Advantage:** We can get by with much less information.
- ▶ **Example 1.1 (Generative Capacity).** 10^3 structural rules over a lexicon of 10^5 words generate most German sentences.
- ▶ Vervet monkeys, antelopes etc. use isolated symbols for sentences.
 \leadsto restricted set of communicable propositions, no generative capacity.
- ▶ **Disadvantage:** Grammars may over generalize or under generalize.
- ▶ The formal study of grammars was introduced by Noam Chomsky in 1957 [Cho65b].

- ▶ **Example 1.2.** A simple phrase structure grammar G :

$$\begin{aligned} S &\rightarrow NP Vi \\ NP &\rightarrow Article N \\ Article &\rightarrow \text{the} \mid \text{a} \mid \text{an} \\ N &\rightarrow \text{dog} \mid \text{teacher} \mid \dots \\ Vi &\rightarrow \text{sleeps} \mid \text{smells} \mid \dots \end{aligned}$$

Here S , is the start symbol, NP , VP , $Article$, N , and Vi are nonterminals.

- ▶ **Definition 1.3.** The subset of lexical rules, i.e. those whose body consists of a single terminal is called its lexicon and the set of body symbols the alphabet. The nonterminals in their heads are called lexical categories.
- ▶ **Definition 1.4.** The non-lexicon production rules are called structural, and the nonterminals in the heads are called phrasal categories.

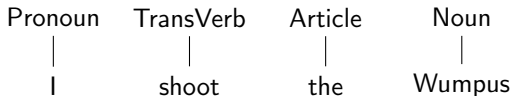
Context-Free Parsing

- ▶ **Recall:** The sentences accepted by a grammar are defined “top-down” as those the start symbol can be rewritten into.
- ▶ **Definition 1.5.** Bottom up parsing works by replacing any substring that matches the body of a production rule with its head.
- ▶ **Example 1.6.** Using the Wumpus grammar (below), we get the following parse trees in bottom up parsing:

I shoot the Wumpus

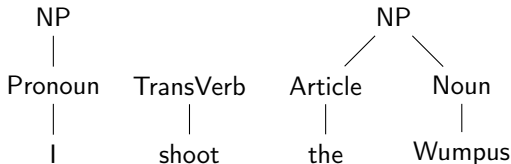
Context-Free Parsing

- ▶ **Recall:** The sentences accepted by a grammar are defined “top-down” as those the start symbol can be rewritten into.
- ▶ **Definition 1.8.** Bottom up parsing works by replacing any substring that matches the body of a production rule with its head.
- ▶ **Example 1.9.** Using the Wumpus grammar (below), we get the following parse trees in bottom up parsing:



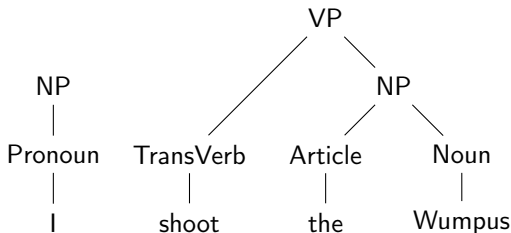
Context-Free Parsing

- ▶ **Recall:** The **sentences** accepted by a **grammar** are defined “top-down” as those the **start symbol** can be rewritten into.
- ▶ **Definition 1.11.** **Bottom up parsing** works by replacing any **substring** that matches the **body** of a **production rule** with its **head**.
- ▶ **Example 1.12.** Using the Wumpus **grammar** (below), we get the following **parse trees** in **bottom up parsing**:



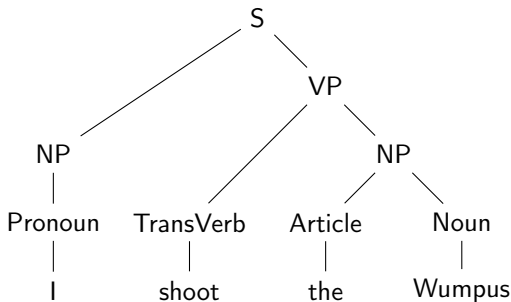
Context-Free Parsing

- ▶ **Recall:** The sentences accepted by a grammar are defined “top-down” as those the start symbol can be rewritten into.
- ▶ **Definition 1.14.** Bottom up parsing works by replacing any substring that matches the body of a production rule with its head.
- ▶ **Example 1.15.** Using the Wumpus grammar (below), we get the following parse trees in bottom up parsing:



Context-Free Parsing

- ▶ **Recall:** The sentences accepted by a grammar are defined “top-down” as those the start symbol can be rewritten into.
- ▶ **Definition 1.17.** Bottom up parsing works by replacing any substring that matches the body of a production rule with its head.
- ▶ **Example 1.18.** Using the Wumpus grammar (below), we get the following parse trees in bottom up parsing:



Traditional linear notation: Also write this as:

$[S[NP[Pronoun\ I]][VP[TransVerb\ shoot][NP[Article\ the][Noun\ Wumpus]]]]$

- ▶ **Recall:** The sentences accepted by a grammar are defined “top-down” as those the start symbol can be rewritten into.
- ▶ **Definition 1.20.** Bottom up parsing works by replacing any substring that matches the body of a production rule with its head.
- ▶ **Example 1.21.** Using the Wumpus grammar (below), we get the following parse trees in bottom up parsing:

$[S[NP[Pronoun\ I]][VP[TransVerb\ shoot][NP[Article\ the][Noun\ Wumpus]]]]$

- ▶ Bottom up parsing algorithms tend to be more efficient than top-down ones.
- ▶ Efficient context-free parsing algorithms run in $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$, run at several thousand words/second for real grammars.

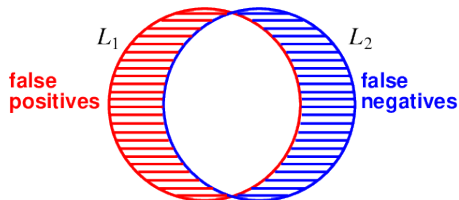
- ▶ **Recall:** The sentences accepted by a grammar are defined “top-down” as those the start symbol can be rewritten into.
- ▶ **Definition 1.23.** Bottom up parsing works by replacing any substring that matches the body of a production rule with its head.
- ▶ **Example 1.24.** Using the Wumpus grammar (below), we get the following parse trees in bottom up parsing:

$[S[NP[Pronoun\ I]][VP[TransVerb\ shoot][NP[Article\ the][Noun\ Wumpus]]]]$

- ▶ Bottom up parsing algorithms tend to be more efficient than top-down ones.
- ▶ Efficient context-free parsing algorithms run in $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$, run at several thousand words/second for real grammars.
- ▶ **Theorem 1.25.** Context-free parsing $\hat{=}$ Boolean matrix multiplication!
- ▶ \leadsto unlikely to find faster practical algorithms. (details in [Lee02])

Grammaticality Judgments

- ▶ **Problem:** The formal language $L(G)$ accepted by a grammar G may differ from the natural language L_n it supposedly models.
- ▶ **Definition 1.26.** We say that a grammar G **over-generates**, iff it accepts strings outside of L_n (**false positives**) and **under-generates**, iff there are L_n strings (**false negatives**) that $L(G)$ does not accept.



- ▶ Adjusting $L(G)$ to agree with L_n is an **inductive learning** problem!
 - ▶ * *the gold grab the wumpus*
 - ▶ * *I smell the wumpus the gold*
 - ▶ *I give the wumpus the gold*
 - ▶ * *I donate the wumpus the gold*
- ▶ Intersubjective agreement somewhat reliable, independent of semantics!
- ▶ Real **grammars** (100–5000 rules) are insufficient even for “proper” English.

3.1.2 A first GF Grammar

The Grammatical Framework (GF)

- ▶ **Definition 1.27.** **Grammatical Framework (GF** [Ran04; Ran11]) is a modular formal framework and functional programming language for writing multilingual grammars of natural languages.
- ▶ **Definition 1.28.** GF comes with the **GF Resource Grammar Library**, a reusable library for dealing with the morphology and syntax of a growing number of natural languages. (currently > 30)
- ▶ **Definition 1.29.** A **GF grammar** consists of
 - ▶ an **abstract grammar** that specifies well-formed **abstract syntax trees (AST)**,
 - ▶ a collection of **concrete grammars** for natural languages that specify how **ASTs** can be **linearized** into (natural language) strings.
- ▶ **Definition 1.30.** **Parsing** is the dual to **linearization**, it transforms **NL utterances** into **abstract syntax trees**.
- ▶ **Definition 1.31.** The **Grammatical Framework** comes with an implementation; the **GF system** that implements **parsing**, **linearization**, and by combination **machine translation**. (download/install from [GF])

Hello World Example for GF (Syntactic)

► Example 1.32 (A Hello World Grammar).

```
abstract zero = {  
  flags startcat=0;  
  cat  
    S ; NP ; V2 ;  
  fun  
    spo : V2 -> NP -> NP -> S ;  
    John, Mary : NP ;  
    Love : V2 ;  
}
```

```
concrete zeroEng of zero = {  
  lincat  
    S, NP, V2 = Str ;  
  lin  
    spo vp s o  
  = s ++ vp ++ o;  
    John = "John" ;  
    Mary = "Mary" ;  
    Love = "loves" ;  
}
```

► Parse a sentence in GF: parse "John loves Mary" \rightsquigarrow Love John Mary

Hello World Example for GF (Syntactic)

► Example 1.33 (A Hello World Grammar).

```
abstract zero = {  
  flags startcat=0;  
  cat  
    S ; NP ; V2 ;  
  fun  
    spo : V2 -> NP -> NP -> S ;  
    John, Mary : NP ;  
    Love : V2 ;  
}
```

```
concrete zeroEng of zero = {  
  lincat  
    S, NP, V2 = Str ;  
  lin  
    spo vp s o  
  = s ++ vp ++ o;  
    John = "John" ;  
    Mary = "Mary" ;  
    Love = "loves" ;  
}
```

- Make a French **grammar** with John="Jean"; Mary="Marie"; Love="aime";
- **Parse** a sentence in **GF**: parse "John loves Mary" \rightsquigarrow Love John Mary

Hello World Example for GF (Syntactic)

► Example 1.34 (A Hello World Grammar).

```
abstract zero = {  
  flags startcat=0;  
  cat  
    S ; NP ; V2 ;  
  fun  
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    John, Mary : NP ;  
    Love : V2 ;  
}
```

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concrete zeroEng of zero = {  
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    spo vp s o  
  = s ++ vp ++ o ;  
    John = "John" ;  
    Mary = "Mary" ;  
    Love = "loves" ;  
}
```

- Make a French **grammar** with John="Jean"; Mary="Marie"; Love="aime";
- **Parse** a sentence in **GF**: parse "John loves Mary" \rightsquigarrow Love John Mary
- **Linearize** in **GF**: linearize Love John Mary \rightsquigarrow John loves Mary
- translate in **GF**:
parse -lang=Eng "John Loves Mary" | linearize -lang=Fre
- generate random sentences to test:
generate_random -number=10 | linearize -lang=Fre \rightsquigarrow
Jean aime Marie

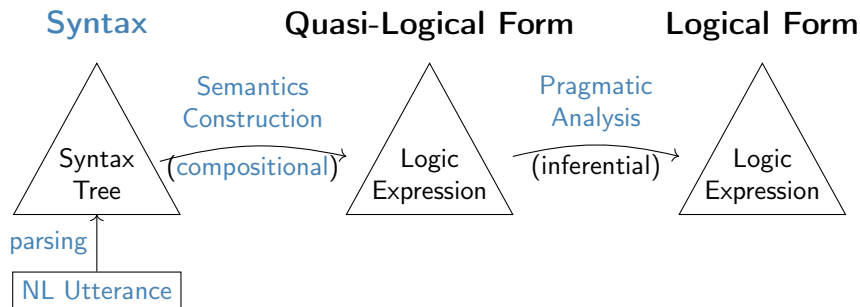
- ▶ **Idea:** Use logic as a “natural language” (to translate into)
- ▶ **Example 1.35 (Hello Prolog).** Linearize to Prolog terms:

```
concrete zeroPro of zero = {  
  lincat  
    S , NP , V2 = Str;  
  lin  
    spo = \vt,subj,obj -> vt ++ "(" ++ subj ++ "," ++ obj ++ ").  
    John = "john";  
    Mary = "mary";  
    Love = "loves";  
}
```

- ▶ **Linearization in GF:** linearize Love John Mary \rightsquigarrow
loves (john , mary)
- ▶ **Note:** loves (john , mary) is *not* a quasi-logical forms, but a Prolog term that can be read into an Prolog interpreter for pragmatic analysis.

Syntactic and Semantic Grammars

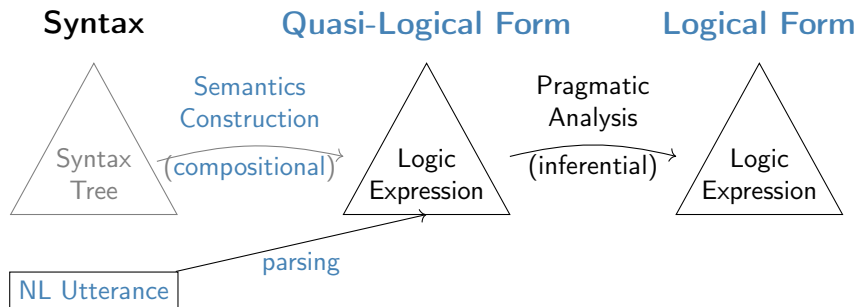
- ▶ Recall our interpretation pipeline



- ▶ **Definition 1.36.** We call a **grammar syntactic**, iff the categories and constructors are motivated by the **syntactic** structure of the **utterance**, and **semantic**, iff they are motivated by the structure of the domain to be modeled.
- ▶ Grammar zero from 1.32 is **syntactic**.

Syntactic and Semantic Grammars

- ▶ Recall our interpretation pipeline



- ▶ **Definition 1.37.** We call a **grammar syntactic**, iff the categories and constructors are motivated by the **syntactic** structure of the **utterance**, and **semantic**, iff they are motivated by the structure of the domain to be modeled.
- ▶ Grammar zero from 1.32 is **syntactic**.
- ▶ We will look at **semantic** versions next.

Hello World Example for GF (semantic)

- ▶ A semantic Hello World Grammar

<pre>abstract one = { flags startcat = 0; cat I; -- Individuals O; -- Statements fun John, Mary : I; Love : I -> I -> O; }</pre>	<pre>concrete oneEng of one = { lincat I = Str ; O = Str ; lin John = "John"; Mary = "Mary"; Love s o = s ++ "loves" ++ o; }</pre>
--	--

- ▶ Instead of the “syntactic categories” S (sentence), NP (noun phrase), and V2 (transitive verb), we now have the semantic categories I (individual) and O (proposition).

3.1.3 Inflection and Case in GF

Towards Complex Linearizations (Setup/English)

- ▶ Extending our hello world grammar(**the trivial bit**) We add the determiner *the* as an operator that turns a **noun** (N) into a **noun phrase** (NP)

```
abstract two = {
  flags startcat=0;
  cat
    S ; NP ; V2 ; N;
  fun
    spo : V2 -> NP -> NP -> S ;
    John, Mary : NP ;
    Love : V2 ;
    dog, mouse : N;
    the : N -> NP ;
}
```

```
concrete twoEN of two = {
  lincat
    S, NP, V2, N = Str ;
  lin
    spo vp s o
  = s ++ vp ++ o;
    John = "John" ;
    Mary = "Mary" ;
    Love = "loves" ;
    dog = "dog" ;
    mouse = "mouse" ;
    the x = "the" ++ x;
}
```

- ▶ **Idea:** A **noun phrase** is a **phrase** that can be used wherever a proper name can be used.

Towards Complex Linearizations (German)

- ▶ We try the same for German

```
abstract two = {
  flags startcat=0;
  cat
    S ; NP ; V2 ; N;
  fun
    spo : V2 -> NP -> NP -> S ;
    John, Mary : NP ;
    Love : V2 ;
    dog, mouse : N;
    the : N -> NP ;
}
```

```
concrete twoDE0 of two = {
  lincat S, NP, V2, N = Str ;
  lin
    spo vp s o = s ++ vp ++ o;
    John = "Johann" ;
    Mary = "Maria" ;
    Love = "liebt" ;
    dog = "Hund" ;
    mouse = "Maus" ;
    the x = "der" ++ x;
}
```

- ▶ Let us test-drive this; as expected we obtain

```
two> l -lang=DE0 spo Love John (the dog)
Johann liebt der Hund
```

- ▶ **Problem:** *Johann liebt der Hund* is not grammatical in German
~> We need to take (grammatical) **gender** into account to obtain the correct form *den* of the determiner.

Adding Gender

- ▶ To add `gender`, we add a parameter and extend the type `N` to a record

```
concrete twoDE1 of two = {
  param
    Gender = masc | fem | neut;
  lincat
    S, V2, NP = Str ;
    N = {s : Str; gender : Gender};
  lin
    spo vp s o = s ++ vp ++ o;
    John = "Johann" ;
    Mary = "Maria" ;
    Love = "liebt" ;
    dog = {s = "Hund"; gender = masc} ;
    mouse = {s = "Maus" ; gender = fem} ;
    the x = case x.gender of {masc => "der" ++ x.s;
                              fem => "die" ++ x.s;
                              neut => "das" ++ x.s} ;
}
```

- ▶ Let us test-drive this; as expected we obtain

```
two> l -lang=DE1 spo Love (the mouse) Mary  
Die Maus liebt Maria.
```

```
two> l -lang=DE1 spo Love Mary (the dog)  
Maria liebt der Hund.
```

- ▶ We need to take into account case in German too.

- ▶ To add case, we add a parameter, reinterpret type NP as a case-dependent table of forms.

```
concrete twoDE2 of two = {  
  param  
    Gender = masc | fem | neut;  
    Case = nom | acc;  
  lincat  
    S, V2 = {s: Str} ;  
    N = {s : Str; gender : Gender};  
    NP = {s : Case => Str};
```

Adding Case

```
lin
spo vp subj obj = {s = subj.s!nom ++ vp.s ++ obj.s!acc};
John = {s = table {nom => "Johann"; acc => "Johann"}};
Mary = {s = table {nom => "Maria"; acc => "Maria"}};
Love = {s = "liebt" };
dog = {s = "Hund"; gender = masc} ;
▶ mouse = {s = "Maus" ; gender = fem} ;
the x = {s = table
      { nom => case x.gender of {masc => "der" ++ x.s;
                               fem => "die" ++ x.s;
                               neut => "das" ++ x.s};
      acc => case x.gender of {masc => "den" ++ x.s;
                               fem => "die" ++ x.s;
                               neut => "das" ++ x.s}}}};
```

- ▶ Let us test-drive this; as expected we obtain

```
two> l -lang=DE2 spo Love Mary (the dog)
Maria liebt den Hund.
```

Adding Operations (reusable components)

- ▶ We add operations (functions with $\lambda \hat{=}$) to get the final form.

```
concrete twoDE of two = {  
  param  
    Gender = masc | fem | neut;  
    Case = nom | acc;  
  oper  
    Noun : Type = {s : Str; gender : Gender};  
  
    mkPN : Str → NP = \x → lin NP {s = table {nom => x; acc => x}};  
    mkV2 : Str → V2 = \x → lin V2 {s = x};  
    mkN : Str → Gender → Noun = \x,g → {s = x; gender = g};  
    mkXXX : Str → Str → Str → Noun → Str =  
      \ma,fe,ne,noun → case noun.gender of {masc => ma ++ noun.s;  
                                              fem => fe ++ noun.s;  
                                              neut => ne ++ noun.s};
```

Adding Operations (reusable components)

lincat

```
S, V2 = {s : Str};
```

```
N = Noun;
```

```
NP = {s: Case => Str};
```

lin

```
spo vp subj obj = {s = subj.s!nom ++ vp.s ++ obj.s!acc};
```

```
John = mkPN "Johannes";
```

```
Mary = mkPN "Maria";
```

```
Love = mkV2 "liebt";
```

```
dog = mkN "Hund" masc;
```

```
mouse = mkN "Maus" fem;
```

```
the n = {s = table { nom => mkXXX "der" "die" "das" n;  
                    acc => mkXXX "den" "die" "das" n}
```

```
};
```

```
}
```

3.1.4 Engineering Resource Grammars in GF

Modular Grammars (Abstract)

- ▶ We split the grammar into **modules** (resource + application grammar)

Monolithic	Modular
<pre>abstract two = { flags startcat=O; cat S ; NP ; V2 ; N; fun spo : V2 -> NP -> NP -> S ; John, Mary : NP ; Love : V2 ; dog, mouse : N; the : N -> NP ; }</pre>	<pre>abstract twoCat = { cat S ; NP ; V2 ; N;} abstract twoGrammar = twoCat ** { fun spo : V2 -> NP -> NP -> S ; the : N -> NP ; } abstract twoLex = twoCat ** { fun John, Mary : NP ; Love : V2 ; dog, mouse : N;} abstract twoRG = twoGrammar,twoLex; ** {flags startcat=O;}</pre>

- ▶ Functionality is the same, but we can reuse the components

Modular Grammars (Concrete English)

- We split the grammar into **modules** (resource + application grammar)

Monolithic	Modular
<pre>concrete twoEN of two = { lincat S, NP, V2, N = Str ; lin spo vp s o = s ++ vp ++ o ; John = "John" ; Mary = "Mary" ; Love = "loves" ; dog = "dog" ; mouse = "mouse" ; the x = "the" ++ x ; }</pre>	<pre>concrete twoCatEN of twoCat = { oper StringType : Type = {s : Str}; lincat S, NP, N, V2 = StringType ;} concrete twoGrammarEN of twoGrammar = twoCatEN ** { lin spo vp s o = {s= s.s ++ vp.s ++ o.s}; the x = {s = "the" ++ x.s};} concrete twoLexEN of twoLex = twoCatEN ** open twoParadigmsEN in { lin John = mkPN "John" ; Mary = mkPN "Mary" ; Love = mkV2 "loves" ; dog = mkN "dog" ; mouse = mkN "mouse" ;} concrete twoRGEN of twoRG = twoGrammarEN, twoLexEN;</pre>

Modular Grammars (Concrete German)

- ▶ We split the **grammar** into **modules** (resource + application grammar)

```
concrete twoCatDE of twoCat = {  
  param
```

```
  Gender = masc | fem | neut;
```

```
  Case = nom | acc;
```

```
  oper
```

```
  Noun : Type = {s : Str; gender : Gender};
```

```
  NounPhrase : Type = {s: Case => Str};
```

```
  lincat
```

```
  S, V2 = {s : Str};
```

```
  N = Noun;
```

```
  NP = NounPhrase;}
```

```
resource twoParadigmsDE = twoCatDE ** {  
  oper
```

```
  mkPN : Str -> NounPhrase = \x -> {s = table {nom => x; acc => x}};
```

```
  mkV2 : Str -> V2 = \x -> lin V2 {s = x};
```

```
  mkN : Str -> Gender -> Noun = \x,g -> {s = x; gender = g};
```

```
  mkXXX : Str -> Str -> Str -> Noun -> Str =
```

```
    \ma,fe,ne,noun -> case noun.gender of {masc => ma ++ noun.s;
```

```
      fem => fe ++ noun.s;
```

```
      neut => ne ++ noun.s};}
```

Modular Grammars (Concrete German)

```
► concrete twoGrammarDE of twoGrammar =
  twoCatDE ** open twoParadigmsDE in {
    lin
      spo vp subj obj = {s = subj.s!nom ++ vp.s ++ obj.s!acc};
      the n = {s = table { nom => mkXXX "der" "die" "das" n;
                          acc => mkXXX "den" "die" "das" n}};}}

concrete twoLexDE of twoLex = twoCatDE ** open twoParadigmsDE in {
  lin
    John = mkPN "Johannes";
    Mary = mkPN "Maria";
    Love = mkV2 "liebt";
    dog = mkN "Hund" masc;
    mouse = mkN "Maus" fem;}}

concrete twoRGDE of twoRG = twoGrammarDE,twoLexDE;
```

- ▶ We use logic-inspired categories instead of the syntactic ones

Syntactic	Semantic
<pre>abstract two = { flags startcat=O; cat S ; NP ; V2 ; N; fun spo : V2 -> NP -> NP -> S ; John, Mary : NP ; Love : V2 ; dog, mouse : N; the : N -> NP ; }</pre>	<pre>abstract three = { flags startcat=O; cat I; O; P1; P2; fun spo : P2 -> I -> I -> O ; John, Mary : I ; Love : P2 ; dog, mouse : P1; the : P1 -> I; }</pre>

A Semantic Grammar (Modular Development)

- ▶ We use logic-inspired categories instead of the syntactic ones

Syntactic	Semantic
<pre>concrete twoCatEN of twoCat = { oper StringType : Type = {s : Str}; lincat S, NP, N, V2 = StringType ;} concrete twoGrammarEN of twoGrammar = twoCatEN ** { lin spo vp s o = {s= s.s ++ vp.s ++ o.s}; the x = {s = "the" ++ x.s};} concrete twoLexEN of twoLex = twoCatEN ** open twoParadigmsEN in { lin John = mkPN "John" ; Mary = mkPN "Mary" ; Love = mkV2 "loves" ; dog = mkN "dog" ; mouse = mkN "mouse" ;} concrete twoRGEN of twoRG = twoGrammarEN,twoLexEN;</pre>	<pre>concrete threeEN of three = twoLexEN,twoGrammarEN ** open twoParadigmsEN in { lincat I = NP; O = S; P1 = N; P2 = V2; } concrete threeDE of three = twoLexDE,twoGrammarDE ** open twoParadigmsDE in { lincat I = NP; O = S; P1 = N; P2 = V2; }</pre>

3.2 MMT: A Modular Framework for Representing Logics and Domains

3.2.1 Propositional Logic in MMT: A first Example

Implementing minimal PL^0 in Mmt

- ▶ **Recall:** The language $wff_0(\Sigma_0)$ of propositional logic (PL^0) consists of propositions built from propositional variables from \mathcal{V}_0 and connectives from Σ_0 .
- ▶ We model $wff_0(\Sigma_0)$ in a Mmt theory $(\Sigma_0 := \{\neg, \wedge\}$ for the moment)

```
theory proplogMinimal : ur:?LF =
```

- ▶ `theory` is the Mmt keyword for modules, the module delimiter `|` delimits them.
- ▶ A theory has a local name and a meta-theory (after the `:`)
Here it is `LF` (provides the logical constants \rightarrow , `type`, λ , Π)
- ▶ Mmt theories contain declarations of the form
`⟨⟨name⟩⟩ : ⟨⟨type⟩⟩ | # ⟨⟨notation⟩⟩`
- ▶ declarations are delimited by the declaration delimiter `|`,
- ▶ declaration components by the object delimiter `|`.
- ▶ **Example 2.1.** A declaration for the type of propositions

```
prop : type | # o |
```

- ▶ the local name `prop` is the system identifier
- ▶ the type `type` declares `prop` to be a type (optional part)
- ▶ the notation definition `o` declares the notation for `prop` (can be used instead)
(optional part)

Implementing minimal PL^0 in Mmt (continued)

► Example 2.2. Declarations for the connectives \neg and \wedge

```
not : o  $\rightarrow$  o | #  $\neg$ 1 prec 100 |
```

- the type $o \rightarrow o$ declares the constant not to be a unary function
- the notation definition \neg 1 prec 100 establishes
 - the function symbol \neg for not followed by argument 1.
 - brackets are governed by the precedence 100 (binding strength)

```
and : o  $\rightarrow$  o  $\rightarrow$  o | # 1  $\wedge$  2 prec 90 |
```

- The type $o \rightarrow o \rightarrow o$ declares the constant and to be a binary function (note currying)
- the notation definition # 1 \wedge 2 prec 90 establishes
 - the infix function symbol \wedge for and preceded by argument 1 and followed by 2,
 - brackets are governed by the precedence 90 (weaker than for not)
- **Testing precedences:** the Mmt system accepts $A : o$ | test : $\neg A \wedge A$ |
And $\neg A \wedge A$ is parsed as $(\neg A) \wedge A$ instead of $\neg(A \wedge A)$

► All together now! PL^0 Syntax as a Mmt theory:

```
theory proplogMinimal : ur:?LF =
```

```
prop : type | # o |
```

```
not : o  $\rightarrow$  o | #  $\neg$ 1 prec 100 |
```

```
and : o  $\rightarrow$  o  $\rightarrow$  o | # 1  $\wedge$  2 prec 90 |
```

Completing PL^0 by Definitions

- ▶ Building on this, we can define additional connectives: \vee , \Rightarrow , \Leftrightarrow

```
theory proplog : ur:?LF =  
  include ?proplogMinimal |  
  or : o  $\rightarrow$  o  $\rightarrow$  o | # 1  $\vee$  2 prec 80 | = [a:o,b:o]  $\neg(\neg a \wedge \neg b)$  |  
  implies : o  $\rightarrow$  o  $\rightarrow$  o | # 1  $\Rightarrow$  2 prec 70 | = [a:o,b:o]  $\neg a \vee b$  |
```

- ▶ `include` is the keyword for an inclusion declaration
here we include the `theory proplogMinimal` (notation: theory refs prefixed by ?)
this makes all of its declarations available locally in `theory proplog`.
- ▶ new declaration components: `definientia` give a constant meaning by replacement.
- ▶ `[a:o,b:o] $\neg a \vee b$` is the Mmt notation for $\lambda a_o b_o. \neg a \vee b$, i.e. the function that given two propositions a and b returns the proposition $\neg a \vee b$.
- ▶ **Note:** types optional in lambdas (Mmt system infers them from context)
- ▶ This completes the syntax (language of formulae) of PL^0 .
- ▶ **Observation:** The declarations in `proplog` amount to a context-free grammar of PL^0 .

Describing Situations for Truth Conditions

- ▶ We want to derive the **truth conditions** e.g. for *Peter loves Mary*.
- ▶ **Definition 2.3.** A **situation theory** is an **Mmt theory** that formalizes a situation.
- ▶ **First Attempt:** We provide **declarations** for the individuals and their relations.

```
theory world1 : ur:?LF =  
  include ?proplog |  
  
  individual : type | #  $\iota$  |  
  peter :  $\iota$  |  
  mary :  $\iota$  |  
  loves :  $\iota \rightarrow \iota \rightarrow o$  |  
  
  plm = loves peter mary | // just an abbreviation |
```

- ▶ **Problem:** We have not asserted that `plm` is true in `world1`, ...
...only that the **proposition** `plm` exists.
- ▶ **Idea:** Let's assert that `plm` is "provable" in **theory** `world1`.

Asserting Truth by Declaring Provability in Mmt Theories

- ▶ **Observation:** We can only assert existence in a **theory** by **declarations**.
- ▶ **Idea 1:** Use **declarations** to declare certain **types** to be inhabited $\hat{=}$ non-empty.
- ▶ **Idea 2:** A **proposition** A is “provable”, iff the “type of all proofs of A ” is inhabited.
- ▶ **Idea 3:** We can express “the type of all proofs of A ” as $\vdash A$ if we declare a suitable type constructor in **Mmt**:

```
ded : prop → type | #  $\vdash 1$  |
```
- ▶ **All Together Now:** We can assert that *Peter loves Mary* in **theory** `world1`

```
plm_axiom :  $\vdash$ plm | // the type of proofs of plm is inhabited|
```

Note that in this interpretation the constant `plm_axiom` is a “proof of `plm`”
- ▶ **Definition 2.4.** This way of representing **axioms** (and eventually **theorems**) is called the **propositions as types** paradigm.

Asserting Truth in Mmt theories (continued)

- ▶ We can make world1 happier by asserting *Mary loves Peter*.

```
mlp = loves mary peter |
```

```
mlp_axiom : ⊢mlp |
```

- ▶ Do *Peter and Mary love each other* in world1?
- ▶ We would have to have a proof of $p_{lm} \wedge m_{lp}$, which we don't.
- ▶ **Observation:** There should be one, given that we have proofs for p_{lm} and m_{lp} !
- ▶ **Observation:** We need a proof constructor – a function constant that constructs a proof of $p_{lm} \wedge m_{lp}$ from those.
- ▶ **Idea:** Let's just declare one: $pc : \vdash p_{lm} \rightarrow \vdash m_{lp} \rightarrow \vdash p_{lm} \wedge m_{lp}$ |
- ▶ We can generalize this to the **inference rule** of **conjunction introduction**

```
conjI : {A:o,B:o} ⊢A → ⊢B → ⊢A ∧ B |
```

$\{A:o, B:o\}$ is the **Mmt** notation for Π from **LF**. (**dependent type constructor**)

Read as “for arbitrary but fixed **propositions** A and B...” ...

$$\frac{A \quad B}{A \wedge B} \mathcal{ND}_0$$

- ▶ **Idea:** This leads to a **Mmt** formalization of the **propositional natural deduction calculus** \mathcal{ND}_0 . (up next)

- ▶ **Observation:** With the ideas discussed above we can do almost all of the inference rules of \mathcal{ND}_0 .

Propositional Natural Deduction

- ▶ **Observation:** With the ideas discussed above we can do almost all of the inference rules of \mathcal{ND}_0 .
- ▶ **Let's start small** with $\Sigma_0 = \{\neg, \wedge\}$: here are the rules again.

Introduction

$$\frac{A \quad B}{A \wedge B} \mathcal{ND}_0 \wedge I$$

Elimination

$$\frac{A \wedge B}{A} \mathcal{ND}_0 \wedge E_l \quad \frac{A \wedge B}{B} \mathcal{ND}_0 \wedge E_r$$

$[A]^1$ $[A]^1$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ C \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \neg C \end{array}}{\neg A} \mathcal{ND}_0 \neg I^1$$

$$\frac{\neg \neg A}{A} \mathcal{ND}_0 \neg E$$

Propositional Natural Deduction

- ▶ **Observation:** With the ideas discussed above we can do almost all of the inference rules of \mathcal{ND}_0 .
- ▶ **Let's start small** with $\Sigma_0 = \{\neg, \wedge\}$: here are the rules again.
- ▶ The start of an **Mmt theory**:

```
theory proplog-ND : ur:?LF =  
  include ?proplogMinimal |  
  ded : prop  $\rightarrow$  type | #  $\vdash 1$  |  
  conjI : {A:o,B:o}  $\vdash A \rightarrow \vdash B \rightarrow \vdash A \wedge B$  |  
  conjE1 : {A:o,B:o}  $\vdash A \wedge B \rightarrow \vdash A$  |  
  conjE2 : {A:o,B:o}  $\vdash A \wedge B \rightarrow \vdash B$  |  
  negE : {A:o}  $\vdash \neg\neg A \rightarrow \vdash A$  |
```


Local Hypotheses in Natural Deduction

For $\mathcal{ND}_{0 \rightarrow I}$ we need a new idea for the representation of the **local hypothesis** A .

A subproof P with a **local hypothesis** $[A]$ allows to plug in a proof of A and complete it P to a full proof for C .

Idea: Represent this as a **function** from $\vdash A$ to $\vdash C$.

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} [A]^1 \quad [A]^1 \\ \vdots \quad \vdots \\ C \quad \neg C \end{array}}{\neg A}$$



▶ In **Mmt** we have:

`negI : {A:o,C:o} (⊢A → ⊢C) → (⊢A → ⊢¬C) → ⊢¬A`

$\mathcal{ND}_{0 \rightarrow I}^1$ takes proof transformers as arguments and returns a proof of $\neg A$.

▶ With this idea, we can do the rest of the **inference rules** of \mathcal{ND}_0 , e.g.

`implI: {a,b} (⊢a → ⊢b) → ⊢(a⇒ b)`

Writing Proofs in Mmt

- ▶ **Recap:** In Mmt, we can write **axioms** as **declarations** $c : \vdash a$ using the **propositions as types** paradigm: the **proof type** $\vdash a$ must be **inhabited**, since it has the **proof** c of a as an inhabitant.
- ▶ **Observation:** This can be extended to **theorems**, by giving **denfinientia**: A **declaration** $c : \vdash a \mid = \Phi$ also ensures that $\vdash a$ is **inhabited**, but using already existing material Φ .
- ▶ **Example 2.5.** Let's try this on the well-known \mathcal{ND}_0 proof

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{B} \mathcal{ND}_0 \wedge E_r \quad \frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{A} \mathcal{ND}_0 \wedge E_l}{B \wedge A} \mathcal{ND}_0 \wedge I}{A \wedge B \Rightarrow B \wedge A} \mathcal{ND}_0 \Rightarrow I^1$$

```
ac : {a,b} ⊢ ((a ∧ b) ⇒ (b ∧ a)) |  
= [a, b] ([p:⊢(a ∧ b)] (p andEr) (p andEl) andI) implI |
```

Writing Proofs in Mmt (step by step)

► Example 2.6 (Continued).

$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{B} \text{ND_0} \wedge E_r$	$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{A} \text{ND_0} \wedge E_l$	$\text{ac} : \{a, b\} \vdash ((a \wedge b) \Rightarrow (b \wedge a)) 1$	
$\frac{B \quad A}{B \wedge A} \text{ND_0} \wedge I$		$\equiv [a, b] ([p : \vdash (a \wedge b)]$	2
		(p andEr)	3
		(p andEl)	4
$\frac{B \wedge A}{A \wedge B \Rightarrow B \wedge A} \text{ND_0} \Rightarrow I^1$		andI)	5
		implI	6

- Line 1: name and type (optional)

Writing Proofs in Mmt (step by step)

► Example 2.7 (Continued).

$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{B} \mathcal{ND_0 \wedge E_r}$	$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{A} \mathcal{ND_0 \wedge E_l}$	$\text{ac} : \{a, b\} \vdash ((a \wedge b) \Rightarrow (b \wedge a)) \text{I}$	
$\frac{B \quad A}{B \wedge A} \mathcal{ND_0 \wedge I}$		$\equiv [a, b] ([p : \vdash (a \wedge b)]$	2
		(p andEr)	3
		(p andEl)	4
$\frac{B \wedge A}{A \wedge B \Rightarrow B \wedge A} \mathcal{ND_0 \Rightarrow I^1}$		andI)	5
		implI	6

- Line 1: name and type (optional)
- Line 2: λ -abstraction $[a, b]$ corresponding to Π -abstraction $\{a, b\}$

Writing Proofs in Mmt (step by step)

► Example 2.8 (Continued).

$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{B} \mathcal{ND_0 \wedge E_r}$	$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{A} \mathcal{ND_0 \wedge E_l}$	$\text{ac} : \{a, b\} \vdash ((a \wedge b) \Rightarrow (b \wedge a)) \mathbf{1}$	
$\frac{B \quad A}{B \wedge A} \mathcal{ND_0 \wedge I}$		$\equiv [a, b] ([p : \vdash (a \wedge b)]$	2
		(p andEr)	3
		(p andEl)	4
$\frac{B \wedge A}{A \wedge B \Rightarrow B \wedge A} \mathcal{ND_0 \Rightarrow I^1}$		andI)	5
		implI	6

- Line 1: name and type (optional)
- Line 2: λ -abstraction $[a, b]$ corresponding to Π -abstraction $\{a, b\}$
- Line 6: the **proof** is constructed by `implI` with one argument (a subproof Ψ)

Writing Proofs in Mmt (step by step)

► Example 2.9 (Continued).

$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{B} \text{ND_0} \wedge E_r$	$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{A} \text{ND_0} \wedge E_l$	$\text{ac} : \{a, b\} \vdash ((a \wedge b) \Rightarrow (b \wedge a)) \mathbb{1}$	
		$\equiv [a, b] ([p : \vdash (a \wedge b)]$	2
		$(p \text{ andEr})$	3
		$(p \text{ andEl})$	4
		$\text{andI})$	5
$\frac{B \wedge A}{A \wedge B \Rightarrow B \wedge A} \text{ND_0} \Rightarrow I^1$		$\text{implI} \mathbb{1}$	6

- Line 1: name and type (optional)
- Line 2: λ -abstraction $[a, b]$ corresponding to Π -abstraction $\{a, b\}$
- Line 6: the **proof** is constructed by `implI` with one argument (a subproof Ψ)
- **But remember:** `implI: {a, b} ($\vdash a \rightarrow \vdash b$) $\rightarrow \vdash (a \Rightarrow b)$` takes three!

Writing Proofs in Mmt (step by step)

► Example 2.10 (Continued).

$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{B} \mathcal{ND_0 \wedge E}$	$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{A} \mathcal{ND_0 \wedge E}$	$\text{ac} : \{a, b\} \vdash ((a \wedge b) \Rightarrow (b \wedge a)) \mathbf{ }$	
		$\equiv [a, b] ([p : \vdash (a \wedge b)]$	2
		$(p \text{ andEr})$	3
		$(p \text{ andEl})$	4
		$\text{andI})$	5
$\frac{B \wedge A}{A \wedge B \Rightarrow B \wedge A} \mathcal{ND_0 \Rightarrow I^1}$		$\text{implI} \mathbf{ }$	6

- Line 1: name and type (optional)
- Line 2: λ -abstraction $[a, b]$ corresponding to Π -abstraction $\{a, b\}$
- Line 6: the **proof** is constructed by `implI` with one argument (a subproof Ψ)
 - **But remember:** `implI: {a,b} ($\vdash a \rightarrow \vdash b$) $\rightarrow \vdash (a \Rightarrow b)$` takes three!
 - **Idea:** add special postfix notation `definition | # 3 implI` (3 $\mapsto \Psi$)

Writing Proofs in Mmt (step by step)

► Example 2.11 (Continued).

$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{B} \mathcal{ND_0 \wedge E_r}$	$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{A} \mathcal{ND_0 \wedge E_l}$	$\text{ac} : \{a, b\} \vdash ((a \wedge b) \Rightarrow (b \wedge a)) \mathbf{ }$	
$\frac{B \quad A}{B \wedge A} \mathcal{ND_0 \wedge I}$		$\equiv [a, b] ([p : \vdash (a \wedge b)]$	2
		(p andEr)	3
		(p andEl)	4
$\frac{B \wedge A}{A \wedge B \Rightarrow B \wedge A} \mathcal{ND_0 \Rightarrow I^1}$		andI)	5
		implI $\mathbf{ }$	6

- Line 1: name and type (optional)
- Line 2: λ -abstraction $[a, b]$ corresponding to Π -abstraction $\{a, b\}$
- Line 6: the **proof** is constructed by `implI` with one argument (a subproof Ψ)
 - **But remember:** `implI : {a, b} ($\vdash a \rightarrow \vdash b$) $\rightarrow \vdash (a \Rightarrow b)$ $\mathbf{|}$` takes three! (3 $\mapsto \Psi$)
 - **Idea:** add special postfix **notation definition** `| # 3 implI`
 - **Justification:** The **Mmt** system can reconstruct implicit arguments

Writing Proofs in Mmt (step by step)

► Example 2.12 (Continued).

$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{B} \mathcal{ND_0 \wedge E_r}$	$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{A} \mathcal{ND_0 \wedge E_l}$	$\text{ac} : \{a, b\} \vdash ((a \wedge b) \Rightarrow (b \wedge a)) \mathbf{ }$	
$\frac{B \quad A}{B \wedge A} \mathcal{ND_0 \wedge I}$		$\equiv [a, b] ([p : \vdash (a \wedge b)]$	2
		$(p \text{ andEr})$	3
		$(p \text{ andEl})$	4
$\frac{B \wedge A}{A \wedge B \Rightarrow B \wedge A} \mathcal{ND_0 \Rightarrow I^1}$		$\text{andI})$	5
		$\text{implI } \mathbf{ }$	6

- Line 1: name and type (optional)
- Line 2: λ -abstraction $[a, b]$ corresponding to Π -abstraction $\{a, b\}$
- Line 6: the **proof** is constructed by `implI` with one argument (a subproof Ψ)
 - **But remember:** `implI`: $\{a, b\} (\vdash a \rightarrow \vdash b) \rightarrow \vdash (a \Rightarrow b) \mathbf{|}$ takes three!
 - **Idea:** add special postfix **notation definition** `| # 3 implI` ($3 \mapsto \Psi$)
 - **Justification:** The **Mmt** system can reconstruct implicit arguments
- Lines 2-5: Subproof Ψ with local hyp. $[a \wedge b]^1$, represented as λp -term in Line 4
 - Idea:** the (informal) function of the co-indexing is formalized by λ -abstraction

Writing Proofs in Mmt (step by step)

► Example 2.13 (Continued).

$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{B} \mathcal{ND_0 \wedge E_r}$	$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{A} \mathcal{ND_0 \wedge E_l}$	$\text{ac} : \{a, b\} \vdash ((a \wedge b) \Rightarrow (b \wedge a)) \mathbf{1}$
$\frac{B \quad A}{B \wedge A} \mathcal{ND_0 \wedge I}$		$\equiv [a, b] ([p : \vdash (a \wedge b)] \mathbf{2}$
$\frac{B \wedge A}{A \wedge B \Rightarrow B \wedge A} \mathcal{ND_0 \Rightarrow I^1}$		$(p \text{ andEr}) \mathbf{3}$
		$(p \text{ andEl}) \mathbf{4}$
		$\text{andI}) \mathbf{5}$
		$\text{implI} \mathbf{6}$

- Line 1: name and type (optional)
- Line 2: λ -abstraction $[a, b]$ corresponding to Π -abstraction $\{a, b\}$
- Line 6: the **proof** is constructed by `implI` with one argument (a subproof Ψ)
 - **But remember:** `implI`: $\{a, b\} (\vdash a \rightarrow \vdash b) \rightarrow \vdash (a \Rightarrow b)$ takes three!
 - **Idea:** add special postfix notation definition `| # 3 implI` ($3 \mapsto \Psi$)
 - **Justification:** The `Mmt` system can reconstruct implicit arguments
- Lines 2-5: Subproof Ψ with local hyp. $[a \wedge b]^1$, represented as λp -term in Line 4
 - **Idea:** the (informal) function of the co-indexing is formalized by λ -abstraction
- Line 5: result of Ψ constructed by `andI` – notation definition `| # 3 4 andI`

Writing Proofs in Mmt (step by step)

► Example 2.14 (Continued).

$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{B} \mathcal{ND}_{0 \wedge} \mathcal{E}_r$	$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{A} \mathcal{ND}_{0 \wedge} \mathcal{E}_l$	$ac : \{a, b\} \vdash ((a \wedge b) \Rightarrow (b \wedge a)) \mathbf{1}$	
$\frac{B \quad A}{B \wedge A} \mathcal{ND}_{0 \wedge}$		$\equiv [a, b] ([p : \vdash (a \wedge b)]$	2
		$(p \text{ andEr})$	3
$\frac{B \wedge A}{A \wedge B \Rightarrow B \wedge A} \mathcal{ND}_{0 \Rightarrow} \mathbf{1}$		$(p \text{ andEl})$	4
		$\text{andI})$	5
		$\text{implI} \mathbf{1}$	6

- Line 1: name and type (optional)
- Line 2: λ -abstraction $[a, b]$ corresponding to Π -abstraction $\{a, b\}$
- Line 6: the **proof** is constructed by `implI` with one argument (a subproof Ψ)
 - **But remember:** `implI : {a,b} ($\vdash a \rightarrow \vdash b$) $\rightarrow \vdash (a \Rightarrow b)$` takes three!
 - **Idea:** add special postfix **notation definition** `| # 3 implI` ($3 \mapsto \Psi$)
 - **Justification:** The **Mmt** system can reconstruct implicit arguments
- Lines 2-5: Subproof Ψ with local hyp. $[a \wedge b]^1$, represented as λp -term in Line 4
 - **Idea:** the (informal) function of the co-indexing is formalized by λ -abstraction
- Line 5: result of Ψ constructed by `andI` – **notation definition** `| # 3 4 andI`
- Line 3/4: two subproofs constructed from p by `andEl/andEr`.

Writing Proofs in Mmt (step by step)

► Example 2.15 (Continued).

$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{B} \text{ND_0 \wedge E}_r$	$\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{A} \text{ND_0 \wedge E}_l$	$\text{ac} : \{a, b\} \vdash ((a \wedge b) \Rightarrow (b \wedge a)) \mathbb{1}$	
$\frac{B \quad A}{B \wedge A} \text{ND_0 \wedge I}$		$\equiv [a, b] ([p : \vdash (a \wedge b)]$	2
		$(p \text{ andEr})$	3
		$(p \text{ andEl})$	4
$\frac{B \wedge A}{A \wedge B \Rightarrow B \wedge A} \text{ND_0 \Rightarrow I}^1$		$\text{andI})$	5
		$\text{implI} \mathbb{1}$	6

- Line 1: name and type (optional)
- Line 2: λ -abstraction $[a, b]$ corresponding to Π -abstraction $\{a, b\}$
- Line 6: the **proof** is constructed by `implI` with one argument (a subproof Ψ)
 - **But remember:** `implI`: $\{a, b\} (\vdash a \rightarrow \vdash b) \rightarrow \vdash (a \Rightarrow b) \mathbb{1}$ takes three!
 - **Idea:** add special postfix notation definition `| # 3 implI` ($3 \mapsto \Psi$)
 - **Justification:** The **Mmt** system can reconstruct implicit arguments
- Lines 2-5: Subproof Ψ with local hyp. $[a \wedge b]^1$, represented as λp -term in Line 4
 - **Idea:** the (informal) function of the co-indexing is formalized by λ -abstraction
- Line 5: result of Ψ constructed by `andI` – notation definition `| # 3 4 andI`
- Line 3/4: two subproofs constructed from p by `andEl/andEr`.
- **Observation 1:** The postfix notations make the **Mmt proof term** similar!
- **Observation 2:** But writing them is very tedious and complex still.

Modular Representation in Mmt

- ▶ **Recall:** We said that for PL^0 , it does not matter if $\Sigma_0 = \{\neg, \wedge\}$ or $\Sigma_0 = \{\neg, \vee\}$.
- ▶ **In particular** we can always inter-define \wedge and \vee via de-Morgan.
- ▶ Let's make this formal using **views**.
- ▶ **Example 2.16.** A **modular** development of the two variants of PL^0

```
theory dednot : ur:?LF =  
  prop : type | # o |  
  ded : o → type | # ⊢1 |  
  not : o → o | # ¬1 |
```

```
theory notand : ur:?LF =  
  include ?dednot |  
  and : o → o → o | # 1 ∧ 2 |  
  andI : {a,b} ⊢a → ⊢b →  
  ⊢(a ∧ b) |
```

```
theory notor : ur:?LF =  
  include ?dednot |  
  or : o → o → o | # 1 ∨ 2 |  
  orI1 : {a,b} ⊢a →  
  ⊢(a ∨ b) |  
  orIr : {a,b} ⊢b →  
  ⊢(a ∨ b) |
```

```
view and2or : ?notand -> ?notor =  
  and = [a,b] ¬((¬a) ∨  
  (¬b)) |  
  andI = Φ |
```

```
view or2and : ?notor -> ?notand =  
  or = [a,b] ¬((¬a) ∧  
  (¬b)) |  
  andI = Ψ |
```

For some suitable proof **expressions** Φ and Ψ .

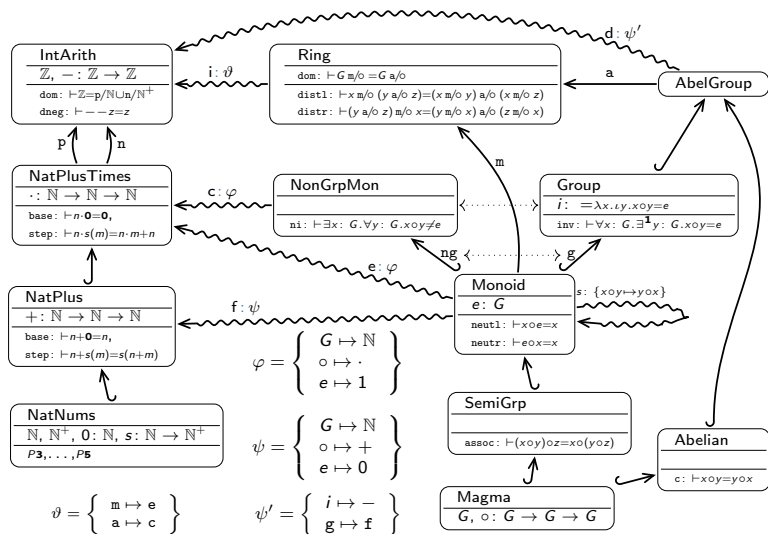
3.2.2 General Functionality of MMT

Representation language (Mmt)

- ▶ **Definition 2.17.** *Mmt* $\hat{=}$ module system for mathematical theories
- ▶ Formal syntax and semantics
 - ▶ needed for mathematical interface language
 - ▶ but how to avoid foundational commitment?
- ▶ Foundation-independence
 - ▶ identify aspects of underlying language that are necessary for large scale processing
 - ▶ formalize exactly those, be parametric in the rest
 - ▶ observation: most large scale operations need the same aspects
- ▶ Module system
 - ▶ preserve mathematical structure wherever possible
 - ▶ formal semantics for modularity
- ▶ Web-scalable
 - ▶ build on [XML](#), [OpenMath](#), [OMDoc](#)
 - ▶ [URI](#) based logical identifiers for all declarations
- ▶ Implemented in the *Mmt* system.

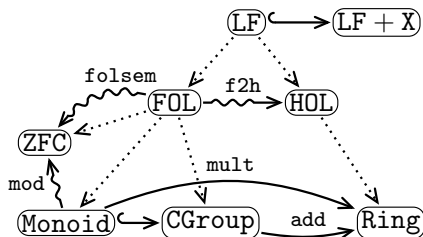
Modular Representation of Math (Mmt Example)

► Example 2.18 (Elementary Algebra and Arithmetics).



Representing Logics and Foundations as Theories

- ▶ **Example 2.19.** Logics and foundations represented as Mmt theories



- ▶ **Definition 2.20.** *Meta relation* between theories special case of inclusion
- ▶ **Uniform Meaning Space:** morphisms between formalizations in different logics become possible via meta-morphisms.
- ▶ *Remark 2.21.* Semantics of logics as views into foundations, e.g., folsem.
- ▶ *Remark 2.22.* Models represented as views into foundations (e.g. ZFC)
- ▶ **Example 2.23.** $\text{mod} := \{G \mapsto \mathbb{Z}, \circ \mapsto +, e \mapsto 0\}$ interprets Monoid in ZFC.

► **Example 2.24.** A theory of Groups

Declaration $\hat{=}$

name : type [= Def] [# notation]

Axioms $\hat{=}$ Declaration with type $\vdash F$

ModelsOf makes a record type from a theory.

```
theory group : base:?Logic =  
  theory group_theory : base:?Logic =  
    include ?monoid/monoid_theory |  
  
    inverse : U → U | # 1-1 prec 24 |  
    inverseproperty : ⊢ ∀ [x] x ∘ x-1 ≐ e |  
  
  group = ModelsOf group_theory |
```

► **MitM Foundation:** optimized for natural math formulation

- higher-order logic based on polymorphic λ -calculus
- judgments-as-types paradigm: $\vdash F \hat{=}$ type of proofs of F
- dependent types with predicate subtyping, e.g. $\{n\}\{a \in \text{mat}(n, n) | \text{symm}(a)\}'$
- (dependent) record types for reflecting theories

The Mmt Module System

- ▶ **Central notion:** Theory graph with theory nodes and theory morphisms as edges.
- ▶ **Definition 2.25.** In **Mmt**, a **theory** is a sequence of constant declarations optionally with type declarations and definitions.
- ▶ **Mmt** employs the Curry/Howard isomorphism and treats
 - ▶ axioms/conjectures as typed symbol declarations (propositions-as-types)
 - ▶ inference rules as function types (proof transformers)
 - ▶ theorems as definitions (proof terms for conjectures)
- ▶ **Definition 2.26.** **Mmt** has two kinds of theory morphisms
 - ▶ **structures** instantiate theories in a new context (also called: **definitional link**, **import**)
they import theory S into theory T (induces theory morphism $S \rightarrow T$)
 - ▶ **views** translate between existing theories (also called: **postulated link**, **theorem link**)
Views transport theorem from source to target (framing).
- ▶ Together, **structures** and **views** allow a very high degree of re-use
- ▶ **Definition 2.27.** We call a statement t **induced** in a theory T , iff there is
 - ▶ a path of theory morphisms from a theory S to T with (joint) assignment σ ,
 - ▶ such that $t = \sigma(s)$ for some statement s in S .
- ▶ **Definition 2.28.** In **Mmt**, all induced statements have a canonical name, the **MMT URI**.

3.3 ELPI a Higher-Order Logic Programming Language

- ▶ **Definition 3.1.** λ Prolog, also written **lambda Prolog**, is a **logic programming language** featuring **polymorphic typing**, **modular programming**, and **higher-order function higher-order programming**.
- ▶ **Definition 3.2.** **ELPI** implements a variant of λ Prolog enriched with constraint handling rules.

- ▶ **Intuition:** ELPI almost works like *Prolog*, if we forget the advanced features
- ▶ **But:** ELPI insists on *types* declarations for all objects it works with.
- ▶ **Example 3.3 (A Member Predicate).** Indeed in line 1 we see an *ELPI type* declaration for the *ismember predicate*. As in *Prolog*, we use identifiers starting with capital letters for *variables*. This makes *ismember* *polymorphic* in the type *T*.

```
1 type ismember T -> list T -> prop.  
2 ismember X [X|_T].  
3 ismember X [_H|T] :- ismember X T.
```

The *recursive ismember predicate* itself is just as we would write it in *Prolog*. As always, we can test this with the *queries*

- ▶ `ismember 2 [1,2,3]` which succeeds and
- ▶ `ismember 5 [1,2,3]` which fails.

- ▶ **Remember:** we wanted to use [ELPI](#) to [automate](#) proof construction for our target logics.
- ▶ **Idea:** Let's just start with PL^0 – this is really just like in [Mmt](#).

```
kind oo type. % propositions (prop and o are taken)
type neg oo -> oo.
type and oo -> oo -> oo.
type or oo -> oo -> oo.
type impl oo -> oo -> oo.
type true oo.
type false oo.
type pvar int -> oo.
```

The declarations (and their [ELPI](#) syntax) should be quite obvious
the `pvar` function makes a countable collection of [propositional variables](#).

Predicates for Properties of Formulae

- ▶ **Problem:** We will need to know when a PL^0 formula is atomic later.
- ▶ **Idea:** It is easier to (first) specify whether a formula is complex.

```
type complex oo -> prop.  
complex (neg _Y).  
complex (and _X _Y).
```

And then we just make atomic to be “not complex”.

- ▶ **Standard Method:** In ELPI, we use *negation as failure*: To establish that a term t is atomic we try to establish that it complex and if that succeeds, then we fail.

On the other hand, if the first clause of the atomic predicate fails, then the second clause (automatically) succeeds.

Together they switch orchestrate the switch of truth values needed for *negation as failure*

```
type atomic oo -> prop.  
atomic (X) :- complex(X),!,fail.  
atomic (_X).
```

The trick now is to guard the fail with a *cut operator* `!`, a *literal* that forbids the atomic predicate to *backtrack* after it failed. Otherwise the first clause would succeed via the second clause ruining the effect.

Part 1

English as a Formal Language: The Method of Fragments

Chapter 4

Logic as a Tool for Modeling NL Semantics

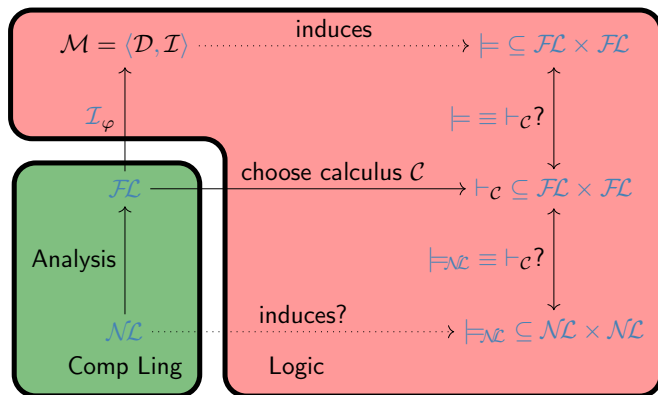
4.1 The Method of Fragments

Natural Language Fragments

- ▶ **Methodological Problem:** How to organize the scientific method for natural language?
- ▶ **Delineation Problem:** What is natural language, e.g. English? Which Aspects do we want to study?
- ▶ **Idea:** Formalize a set (NL) sentences we want to study by a grammar
↪ Richard Montague's method of fragments (1972).
- ▶ **Definition 1.1.** The language L of a context-free grammar is called a **fragment** of a natural language N , iff $L \subseteq N$.
- ▶ **Scientific Fiction:** We can exhaust English with ever-increasing fragments, develop a semantic meaning theory for each.
- ▶ **Idea:** Use nonterminals to classify NL phrases.
- ▶ **Definition 1.2.** We call a nonterminal symbol of a context-free grammar a **phrasal category**. We distinguish two kinds of rules:
 - structural rules:** $\mathcal{L}: H \rightarrow c_1, \dots, c_n$ with head H , label \mathcal{L} , and a sequence of phrasal categories c_i .
 - lexical rules:** $\mathcal{L}: H \rightarrow t_1 \mid \dots \mid t_n$, where the t_i are terminals (i.e. NL phrases)
- ▶ **Definition 1.3.** In the method of fragments we use a CFG to parse sentences from the fragment into an **abstract syntax tree (AST)** for further processing.

Formal Natural Language Semantics with Fragments

- **Idea:** We will follow the picture we have discussed before



Choose a target logic FL and specify a translation from syntax trees to formulae!

- ▶ **Idea:** We translate sentences by translating their syntax trees via tree node translation rules.
- ▶ **Note:** This makes the induced meaning theory compositional.
- ▶ **Definition 1.4.** We represent a node α in a syntax tree with children β_1, \dots, β_n by $[X_{1\beta_1}, \dots, X_{n\beta_n}]_\alpha$ and write a translation rule as

$$\mathcal{L}: [X_{1\beta_1}, \dots, X_{n\beta_n}]_\alpha \rightsquigarrow \Phi(X_1', \dots, X_n')$$

if the translation of the node α can be computed from those of the β_i via a semantical function Φ .

- ▶ **Definition 1.5.** For a natural language utterance A , we will use $\langle A \rangle$ for the result of translating A .
- ▶ **Definition 1.6 (Default Rule).** For every word w in the fragment we assume a constant w' in the logic \mathcal{L} and the “pseudo-rule” $t1: w \rightsquigarrow w'$. (if no other translation rule applies)

4.2 What is Logic?

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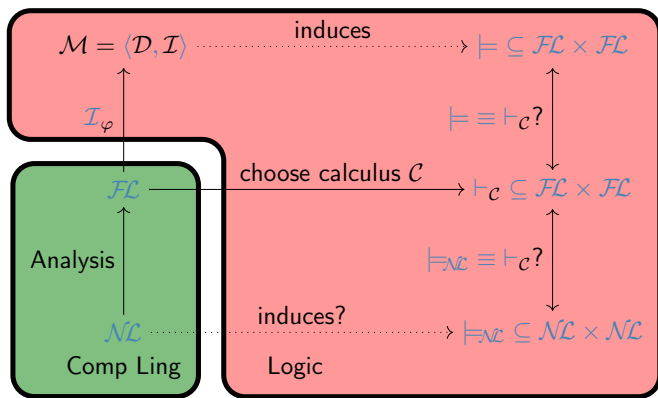
- ▶ **Definition 2.1.** Logic $\hat{=}$ formal languages, inference and their relation with the world
 - ▶ Formal language \mathcal{FL} : set of formulae
 - ▶ **Formula**: sequence/tree of symbols
 - ▶ **Model**: things we understand
 - ▶ **Interpretation**: maps formulae into models
 - ▶ **Validity**: $\mathcal{M} \models A$, iff $\llbracket A \rrbracket^{\mathcal{I}} = \top$
 - ▶ **Entailment**: $A \models B$, iff $\mathcal{M} \models B$ for all $\mathcal{M} \models A$.
 - ▶ **Inference**: rules to transform (sets of) formulae
 - ▶ **Syntax**: formulae, inference
 - ▶ **Semantics**: models, interpr., validity, entailment
- ▶ **Important Question**: relation between syntax and semantics?

$(2 + 3/7, \forall x.x + y = y + x)$
 $(x, y, f, g, p, 1, \pi, \in, \neg, \forall, \exists)$
(e.g. number theory)
 $(\llbracket \text{three plus five} \rrbracket^{\mathcal{I}} = 8)$
(five greater three is valid)
(generalize to $\mathcal{H} \models A$)
 $(A, A \Rightarrow B \vdash B)$
(just a bunch of symbols)
(math. structures)

4.3 Using Logic to Model Meaning of Natural Language

- ▶ **Problem:** Find formal (logic) system for the meaning of natural language.
- ▶ History of ideas
 - ▶ Propositional logic [ancient Greeks like Aristotle]
 - * *Every human is mortal*
 - ▶ First-Order Predicate logic [Frege \leq 1900]
 - * *I believe, that my audience already knows this.*
 - ▶ Modal logic [Lewis18, Kripke65]
 - * *A man sleeps. He snores.* $((\exists X.\text{man}(X) \wedge \text{sleeps}(X))) \wedge \text{snores}(X)$
 - ▶ Various dynamic approaches (e.g. DRT, DPL)
 - * *Most men wear black*
 - ▶ Higher-order Logic, e.g. generalized quantifiers
 - ▶ ...

Natural Language Semantics?



Logic-Based Knowledge Representation for NLP

- ▶ Logic (and related formalisms) allow to integrate world knowledge
 - ▶ explicitly (gives more understanding than statistical methods)
 - ▶ transparently (symbolic methods are monotonic)
 - ▶ systematically (we can prove theorems about our systems)
- ▶ **Signal + World knowledge makes more powerful model**
- ▶ Does not preclude the use of statistical methods to guide inference
- ▶ Problems with logic-based approaches
 - ▶ Where does the world knowledge come from? (Ontology problem)
 - ▶ How to guide search induced by log. calculi (combinatorial explosion)

Chapter 5

Fragment 1

5.1 The First Fragment: Setting up the Basics

Fragment 1 Data (Sentences we want to cover)

- ▶ **Fragment 1 Data:** We delineate the intended **fragment** by giving examples
 1. *Ethel kicked the cat and Fiona laughed*
 2. *Peter is the teacher*
 3. *The teacher is happy*
 4. *It is not the case that Bertie ran*
 5. *It is not the case that Jo is happy*
- ▶ We can later use these **sentences** as **benchmark** tests.

5.1.1 Natural Language Syntax (Fragment 1)

Structural Grammar Rules

- **Definition 1.1.** \mathcal{F}_1 knows the following eight phrasal categories

S	sentence	NP	noun phrase
N	noun	N_{pr}	proper name
V^i	intransitive verb	V^t	transitive verb
conj	connective	Adj	adjective

- **Definition 1.2.** We have the following production rules in \mathcal{F}_1 .

S1: $S \rightarrow NP, V^i$,

S2: $S \rightarrow NP, V^t, NP$,

M1: $NP \rightarrow N_{pr}$,

M2: $NP \rightarrow \text{the}, N$,

S3: $S \rightarrow \text{It is not the case that}, S$,

S4: $S \rightarrow S, \text{conj}, S$,

S5: $S \rightarrow NP, \text{is}, NP$,

S6: $S \rightarrow NP, \text{is}, \text{Adj}$

Lexical insertion rules for Fragment 1

- ▶ **Definition 1.3.** We have the following **lexical rules** in Fragment 1.

$L1: N_{pr} \rightarrow$ Prudence | Ethel | Chester | Jo | Bertie | Fiona,

$L2: N \rightarrow$ book | cake | cat | golfer | dog | lecturer | student | singer,

$L3: V^i \rightarrow$ ran | laughed | sang | howled | screamed,

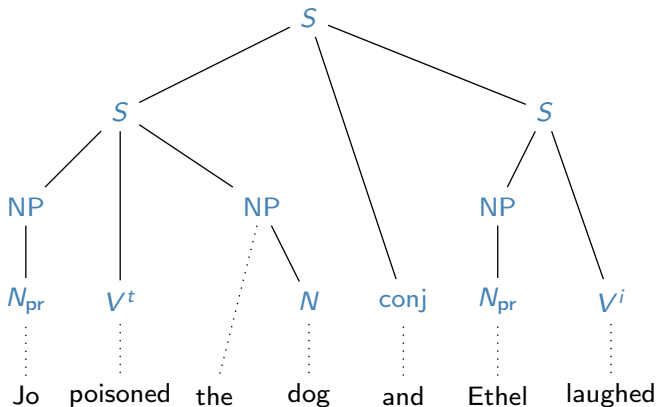
$L4: V^t \rightarrow$ read | poisoned | ate | liked | loathed | kicked, $L5: conj \rightarrow$ and | or,

$L6: Adj \rightarrow$ happy | crazy | messy | disgusting | wealthy

- ▶ Note: We will adopt the convention that new **lexical rules** can be generated spontaneously as needed.

Syntax Example: *Jo poisoned the dog and Ethel laughed*

- ▶ **Observation 1.4.** *Jo poisoned the dog and Ethel laughed* is a *sentence of fragment 1*
- ▶ We can construct a syntax tree for it!



5.1.2 Predicate Logic without Quantifiers

Individuals and their Properties/Relations

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- ▶ **Definition 1.10.** The formulae of PL^{eq} are given by the following **grammar**

function constants	f^k	\in	Σ_k^f	
predicate constants	p^k	\in	Σ_k^p	
terms	t	$::=$	f^0	constant
			$ $	
			$f^k(t_1, \dots, t_k)$	application
formulae	A	$::=$	$p^k(t_1, \dots, t_k)$	atomic
			$ $	
			$\neg A$	negation
			$ $	
			$A_1 \wedge A_2$	conjunction

- ▶ **Definition 1.11.** Domains $\mathcal{D}_0 = \{T, F\}$ of truth values and $\mathcal{D}_i \neq \emptyset$ of individuals.
- ▶ **Definition 1.12.** Interpretation \mathcal{I} assigns values to constants, e.g.
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}(\neg): \mathcal{D}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_0; T \mapsto F; F \mapsto T$ and $\mathcal{I}(\wedge) = \dots$ (as in PL⁰)
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}: \Sigma_0^f \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_i$ (interpret individual constants as individuals)
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}: \Sigma_k^f \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_i^k \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_i$ (interpret function constants as functions)
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}: \Sigma_k^p \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{D}_i^k)$ (interpret predicate constants as relations)
- ▶ **Definition 1.13.** The value function \mathcal{I} assigns values to formulae: (recursively)
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}(f(A^1, \dots, A^k)) := \mathcal{I}(f)(\mathcal{I}(A^1), \dots, \mathcal{I}(A^k))$
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}(p(A^1, \dots, A^k)) := T$, iff $\langle \mathcal{I}(A^1), \dots, \mathcal{I}(A^k) \rangle \in \mathcal{I}(p)$
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}(\neg A) = \mathcal{I}(\neg)(\mathcal{I}(A))$ and $\mathcal{I}(A \wedge B) = \mathcal{I}(\wedge)(\mathcal{I}(A), \mathcal{I}(B))$ (just as in PL⁰)
- ▶ **Definition 1.14.** Model: $\mathcal{M} = \langle \mathcal{D}_i, \mathcal{I} \rangle$ varies in \mathcal{D}_i and \mathcal{I} .
- ▶ **Theorem 1.15.** PL^{nq} is isomorphic to PL⁰ (interpret atoms as prop. variables)

- ▶ **Example 1.16.** Let $L := \{a, b, c, d, e, P, Q, R, S\}$, we set the **universe** $\mathcal{D} := \{\clubsuit, \spadesuit, \heartsuit, \diamondsuit\}$, and specify the **interpretation function** \mathcal{I} by setting
 - ▶ $a \mapsto \clubsuit$, $b \mapsto \spadesuit$, $c \mapsto \heartsuit$, $d \mapsto \diamondsuit$, and $e \mapsto \diamondsuit$ for **constants**,
 - ▶ $P \mapsto \{\clubsuit, \spadesuit\}$ and $Q \mapsto \{\spadesuit, \diamondsuit\}$, for unary **predicate constants**.
 - ▶ $R \mapsto \{\langle \heartsuit, \diamondsuit \rangle, \langle \diamondsuit, \heartsuit \rangle\}$, and $S \mapsto \{\langle \diamondsuit, \spadesuit \rangle, \langle \spadesuit, \clubsuit \rangle\}$ for binary **predicate constants**.
- ▶ **Example 1.17 (Computing Meaning in this Model).**
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}(R(a, b) \wedge P(c)) = \text{T}$, iff
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}(R(a, b)) = \text{T}$ and $\mathcal{I}(P(c)) = \text{T}$, iff
 - ▶ $\langle \mathcal{I}(a), \mathcal{I}(b) \rangle \in \mathcal{I}(R)$ and $\mathcal{I}(c) \in \mathcal{I}(P)$, iff
 - ▶ $\langle \clubsuit, \spadesuit \rangle \in \{\langle \heartsuit, \diamondsuit \rangle, \langle \diamondsuit, \heartsuit \rangle\}$ and $\heartsuit \in \{\clubsuit, \spadesuit\}$So, $\mathcal{I}(R(a, b) \wedge P(c)) = \text{F}$.

PL^{eq} and PL^0 are Isomorphic

- ▶ **Observation:** For every choice of Σ of signature, the set \mathcal{A}_Σ of atomic PL^{eq} formulae is countable, so there is a $\mathcal{V}_\Sigma \subseteq \mathcal{V}_0$ and a bijection $\theta_\Sigma: \mathcal{A}_\Sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{V}_\Sigma$. θ_Σ can be extended to formulae as PL^{eq} and PL^0 share connectives.
- ▶ **Lemma 1.18.** For every model $\mathcal{M} = \langle \mathcal{D}_\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{I} \rangle$, there is a variable assignment $\varphi_\mathcal{M}$, such that $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi_\mathcal{M}}(\mathbf{A}) = \mathcal{I}(\mathbf{A})$.
- ▶ *Proof sketch:* We just define $\varphi_\mathcal{M}(X) := \mathcal{I}(\theta_\Sigma^{-1}(X))$
- ▶ **Lemma 1.19.** For every variable assignment $\psi: \mathcal{V}_\Sigma \rightarrow \{\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{F}\}$ there is a model $\mathcal{M}^\psi = \langle \mathcal{D}^\psi, \mathcal{I}^\psi \rangle$, such that $\mathcal{I}_\psi(\mathbf{A}) = \mathcal{I}^\psi(\mathbf{A})$.
- ▶ *Proof sketch:* see next slide
- ▶ **Corollary 1.20.** PL^{eq} is isomorphic to PL^0 , i.e. the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \langle \mathcal{D}^\psi, \mathcal{I}^\psi \rangle & \xleftarrow{\psi \mapsto \mathcal{M}^\psi} & \mathcal{V}_\Sigma \rightarrow \{\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{F}\} \\ \mathcal{I}^\psi(\cdot) \uparrow & & \uparrow \mathcal{I}_{\varphi_\mathcal{M}}(\cdot) \\ PL^{\text{eq}}(\Sigma) & \xrightarrow{\theta_\Sigma} & PL^0(\mathcal{A}_\Sigma) \end{array}$$

- ▶ **Note:** This constellation with a language isomorphism and a corresponding model isomorphism (in converse direction) is typical for a logic isomorphism.

- ▶ **Lemma 1.21.** For every *variable assignment* $\psi: \mathcal{V}_\Sigma \rightarrow \{\mathsf{T}, \mathsf{F}\}$ there is a *model* $\mathcal{M}^\psi = \langle \mathcal{D}^\psi, \mathcal{I}^\psi \rangle$, such that $\mathcal{I}_\psi(A) = \mathcal{I}^\psi(A)$.
- ▶ *Proof:* We construct $\mathcal{M}^\psi = \langle \mathcal{D}^\psi, \mathcal{I}^\psi \rangle$ and show that it works as desired.
 1. Let \mathcal{D}^ψ be the set of PL^{eq} terms over Σ , and
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}^\psi(f): \mathcal{D}_\iota^k \rightarrow \mathcal{D}^{\psi^k}; \langle A_1, \dots, A_k \rangle \mapsto f(A_1, \dots, A_k)$ for $f \in \Sigma_k^f$
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}^\psi(p) := \{ \langle A_1, \dots, A_k \rangle \mid \psi(\theta_\psi^{-1} p(A_1, \dots, A_k)) = \mathsf{T} \}$ for $p \in \Sigma^p$.
 2. We show $\mathcal{I}^\psi(A) = A$ for terms A by **induction** on A
 - 2.1. If $A = c$, then $\mathcal{I}^\psi(A) = \mathcal{I}^\psi(c) = c = A$
 - 2.2. If $A = f(A_1, \dots, A_n)$ then
$$\mathcal{I}^\psi(A) = \mathcal{I}^\psi(f)(\mathcal{I}(A_1), \dots, \mathcal{I}(A_n)) = \mathcal{I}^\psi(f)(A_1, \dots, A_k) = A.$$
 3. For a PL^{eq} formula A we show that $\mathcal{I}^\psi(A) = \mathcal{I}_\psi(A)$ by **induction** on A .
 - 3.1. If $A = p(A_1, \dots, A_k)$, then $\mathcal{I}^\psi(A) = \mathcal{I}^\psi(p)(\mathcal{I}(A_1), \dots, \mathcal{I}(A_n)) = \mathsf{T}$, iff $\langle A_1, \dots, A_k \rangle \in \mathcal{I}^\psi(p)$, iff $\psi(\theta_\psi^{-1} A) = \mathsf{T}$, so $\mathcal{I}^\psi(A) = \mathcal{I}_\psi(A)$ as desired.
 - 3.2. If $A = \neg B$, then $\mathcal{I}^\psi(A) = \mathsf{T}$, iff $\mathcal{I}^\psi(B) = \mathsf{F}$, iff $\mathcal{I}^\psi(B) = \mathcal{I}_\psi(B)$, iff $\mathcal{I}^\psi(A) = \mathcal{I}_\psi(A)$.
 - 3.3. If $A = B \wedge C$ then we argue similarly
 4. Hence $\mathcal{I}^\psi(A) = \mathcal{I}_\psi(A)$ for all PL^{eq} formulae and we have concluded the proof.

5.1.3 Natural Language Semantics via Translation

Translation rules for non-basic expressions (NP and S)

- ▶ **Definition 1.22.** We have the following translation rules for **non-leaf node** of the **abstract syntax tree**

$$T1: [X_{NP}, Y_{Vi}]_S \rightsquigarrow Y'(X')$$

$$T2: [X_{NP}, Y_{Vt}, Z_{NP}]_S \rightsquigarrow Y'(X', Z')$$

$$T3: [X_{N_{pr}}]_{NP} \rightsquigarrow X'$$

$$T4: [the, X_N]_{NP} \rightsquigarrow theX'$$

$$T5: [It\ is\ not\ the\ case\ that\ X_S]_S \rightsquigarrow (\neg X')$$

$$T6: [X_S, Y_{conj}, Z_S]_S \rightsquigarrow Y'(X', Z')$$

$$T7: [X_{NP}, is, Y_{NP}]_S \rightsquigarrow X' = Y'$$

$$T8: [X_{NP}, is, Y_{Adj}]_S \rightsquigarrow Y'(X')$$

Read e.g. $[Y, Z]_X$ as a **node** with label X in the **syntax tree** with **children** X and Y . Read X' as the translation of X via these rules.

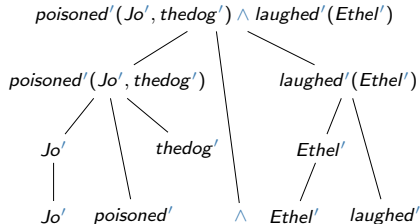
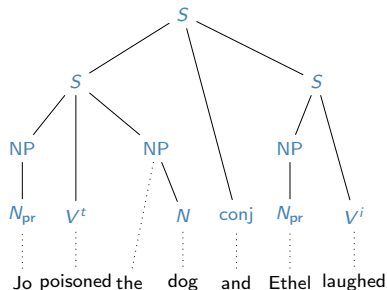
- ▶ Note that we have exactly one translation per syntax rule.

Translation rule for basic lexical items

- ▶ **Definition 1.23.** The target logic for \mathcal{F}_1 is PL^{nq} , the fragment of PL^1 without quantifiers.
- ▶ **Lexical Translation Rules for \mathcal{F}_1 Categories:**
 - ▶ If w is a proper name, then $w' \in \Sigma_0^f$. (individual constant)
 - ▶ If w is an intransitive verb, then $w' \in \Sigma_1^p$. (one-place predicate)
 - ▶ If w is a transitive verb, $w' \in \Sigma_2^p$. (two-place predicate)
 - ▶ If w is a noun phrase, then $w' \in \Sigma_0^f$. (individual constant)
- ▶ **Semantics by Translation:** We translate sentences by translating their syntax trees via tree node translation rules.
- ▶ For any non-logical word w , we have the “pseudo-rule” $t1: w \rightsquigarrow w'$.
- ▶ Note: This rule does not apply to the syncategorematic items *is* and *the*.
- ▶ Translations for logical connectives
 - $t2: \text{and} \rightsquigarrow \wedge$, $t3: \text{or} \rightsquigarrow \vee$, $t4: \text{it is not the case that} \rightsquigarrow \neg$

Translation Example

- ▶ **Observation 1.24.** *Jo poisoned the dog and Ethel laughed* is a *sentence of Fragment 1*
- ▶ We can construct a syntax tree for it!



5.2 Testing Truth Conditions via Inference

Testing Truth Conditions in PL^{nq}

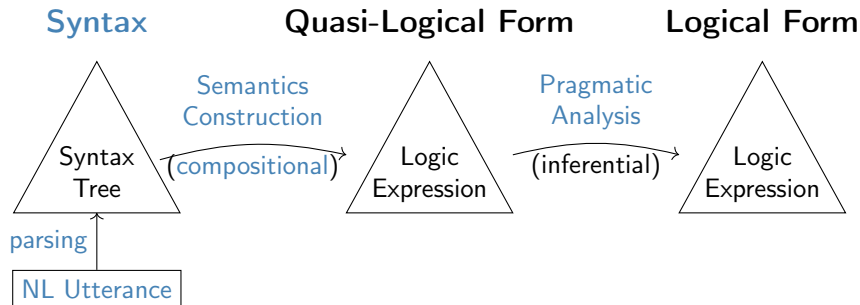
- ▶ **Idea 1:** To test our language model (\mathcal{F}_1)
 - ▶ Select a sentence S and a situation W that makes S true. (according to humans)
 - ▶ Translate S in to a formula S' in PL^{nq} .
 - ▶ Express W as a set Φ of formulae in PL^{nq} ($\Phi \hat{=} \text{truth conditions}$)
 - ▶ Our language model is supported if $\Phi \models S'$, falsified if $\Phi \not\models S'$.
- ▶ **Example 2.1 (John chased the gangster in the red sports car).**
 - ▶ We claimed that we have three readings 3.9
 $R_1 := c(j, g) \wedge in(j, s)$, $R_2 := c(j, g) \wedge in(g, s)$, and $R_3 := c(j, g) \wedge in(j, s) \wedge in(g, s)$
 - ▶ So there must be three distinct situations W that make S true
 1. *John is in the red sports car, but the gangster isn't*
 $W_1 := c(j, g) \wedge in(j, s) \wedge \neg in(g, s)$, so $W_1 \models R_1$, but $W_1 \not\models R_2$ and $W_1 \not\models R_3$
 2. *The gangster is in the red sports car, but John isn't*
 $W_2 := c(j, g) \wedge in(j, s) \wedge \neg in(g, s)$, so $W_2 \models R_2$, but $W_2 \not\models R_1$ and $W_2 \not\models R_3$
 3. *Both are in the red sports car*
 $\hat{=}$ they run around on the back seat of a very big sports car
 $W_3 := c(j, g) \wedge in(j, s) \wedge in(g, s)$, so $W_3 \models R_3$, but $W_3 \not\models R_1$ and $W_3 \not\models R_1$
- ▶ **Idea 2:** Use a calculus to model \models , e.g. \mathcal{ND}_0

Fragment 1

- ▶ Fragment \mathcal{F}_1 of English (defined by grammar + lexicon)
- ▶ Logic PL^{ng} (serves as a mathematical model for \mathcal{F}_1)
 - ▶ Formal Language (individuals, predicates, $\neg, \wedge, \vee, \Rightarrow$)
 - ▶ Semantics \mathcal{I}_φ defined recursively on formula structure (\rightsquigarrow validity, entailment)
- ▶ Tableau calculus for validity and entailment (Calculus!)
- ▶ Analysis function $\mathcal{F}_1 \rightsquigarrow \text{PL}^{\text{ng}}$ (Translation)
- ▶ Test the model by checking predictions (calculate truth conditions)
- ▶ **Coverage:** Extremely Boring! (accounts for 0 examples from the intro) but the conceptual setup is fascinating

Summary: The Interpretation Process

► Interpretation Process:



Chapter 6

Fragment 1: The Grammatical Logical Framework

6.1 Implementing Fragment 1 in GF

Implementing Fragment 1 in GF

- ▶ The grammar of Fragment 1 only differs trivially from Hello World grammar `two.gf` from slide 65.
 - ▶ **Verbs:** $V^t \hat{=} V2$, $V^i \hat{=} \text{cat } V$; `fun sp : NP -> V -> S;`
 - ▶ **Negation:**
`fun not : S -> S; lin not a = mkS ("it is not the case that"++ a.s);`
 - ▶ **the:** `fun the : N -> NP; lin the n = mkNP ("the"++ n.s);`
 - ▶ **conjunction:**
`fun and : S -> S -> S; lin and a b = mkS (a.s ++ "and"++ b.s);`

6.2 Implementing Fragment1 in GF and MMT

- ▶ A “lexicon theory” (only selected constants here)

```
theory plnqFrag1 : ?plnq =  
  ethel :  $\iota$  | # ethel' |  
  prudence :  $\iota$  | # prudence' |  
  dog :  $\iota$  | # dog' |  
  poison :  $\iota \rightarrow \iota \rightarrow o$  | # poison' 1 2 |  
  laugh :  $\iota \rightarrow o$  | # laugh' 1 |
```

declares one logical constant for each from abstract GF grammar.

- ▶ Enough to interpret *Prudence poisoned the dog and Ethel laughed* from above.

```
ex : | o = poison' prudence' dog'  $\wedge$  laugh' ethel' |
```


Representing Multiple Readings

- ▶ We can even represent the three readings of *John chased the gangster in the red sports car* from 3.9.

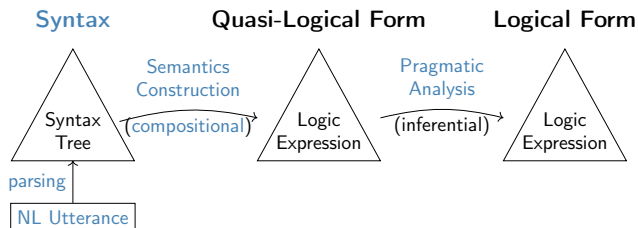
```
theory sportscar : ?plnq =  
  john :  $\iota$  | gangster :  $\iota$  | sportscar :  $\iota$  | red :  $\iota \rightarrow o$  |  
  chased :  $\iota \rightarrow \iota \rightarrow o$  | in :  $\iota \rightarrow \iota \rightarrow o$  |  
  jcgirs1 :  $o$  | = chased john gangster  $\wedge$  in sportscar gangster  $\wedge$   
red sportscar |  
  jcgirs2 :  $o$  | = chased john gangster  $\wedge$  in sportscar john  $\wedge$  red sportscar |  
  jcgirs3 :  $o$  | = chased john gangster  $\wedge$  in sportscar john  $\wedge$   
in sportscar gangster  $\wedge$  red sportscar |
```

- ▶ **Problem:** Can we systematically generate terms like jcgirs1, jcgirs2, and jcgirs3?
- ▶ **Idea:** Use the ASTs from [GF](#) in [Mmt](#).

Embedding GF into Mmt

- ▶ **Observation:** The GF system provides Java bindings and Mmt is programmed in Scala, which compiles into the Java virtual machine.
- ▶ **Idea:** Use GF as a sophisticated NL-parser/generator for Mmt
 - ↷ Mmt with a natural language front-end.
 - ↷ GF with a multi-logic back-end
- ▶ **Definition 2.1.** The MMT integration mapping interprets GF abstract syntax trees as Mmt terms.

- ▶ **Observation:** This fits very well with our interpretation process in LBS



- ▶ **Implementation:** transform GF system (Java) data structures to Mmt (Scala) ones in Mmt.

- ▶ **Idea:** Make the **MMT integration mapping** (essentially) the identity.
- ▶ **Prerequisite:** **Mmt** theory isomorphic to **GF grammar** (**declarations aligned**)
- ▶ **Recall:** **ASTs** in **GF** are essentially terms.
- ▶ **Indeed:** **GF abstract grammars** are essentially **Mmt** theories.

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- ▶ **Example 2.3.** Syntactic categories of \mathcal{F}_1 (**Syntactic categories $\hat{=}$ types**)

```
theory Frag1CatMMT : ur:?LF =
```

```
  S : type |
```

```
  Conj : type |
```

```
  NP : type |
```

```
  Npr : type |
```

```
  N : type |
```

```
  Vi : type |
```

```
  Vt : type |
```

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- ▶ **Example 2.4.** The \mathcal{F}_1 lexicon (words $\hat{=}$ constants)

```
theory Frag1LexMMT : ur:?LF =  
  include ?Frag1CatMMT  
  ethel : Npr |  
  prudence : Npr |  
  dog : N |  
  poison : Vt |  
  laugh : Vi |  
  and : Conj |
```

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- ▶ **Example 2.5.** The structural rules of \mathcal{F}_1 (functions $\hat{=}$ functions)

```
theory Frag1RulesMMT : ur:?LF =  
  include ? Frag1CatMMT  
  s1 : NP → Vi → S |  
  s2 : NP → Vt → NP → S |  
  n1 : Npr → NP |  
  n2 : N → NP |  
  s3 : S → S |  
  s4 : S → Conj → S → S |  
  s5 : NP → NP → S |  
  s6 : NP → Adj → S |
```

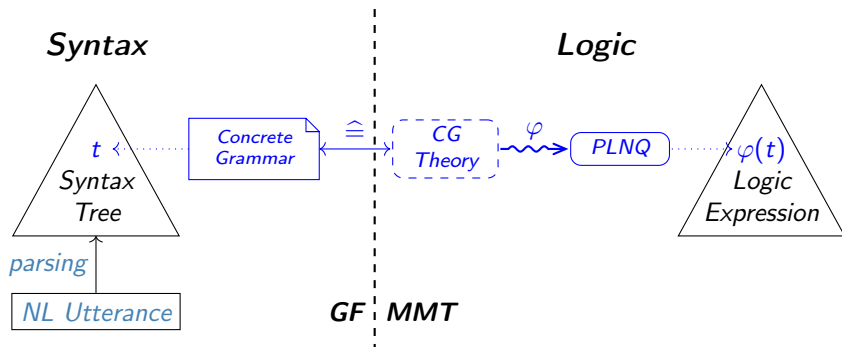
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- ▶ **Indeed:** GF abstract grammars are essentially Mmt theories.
- ▶ **Example 2.6.** putting it all together

```
theory Frag1LexMMT : ur:?LF =  
  include ? Frag1LexMMT  
  include ? Frag1RulesMMT
```

- ▶ **Idea:** Make the MMT integration mapping (essentially) the identity.
 - ▶ **Prerequisite:** Mmt theory isomorphic to GF grammar (declarations aligned)
 - ▶ **Recall:** ASTs in GF are essentially terms.
 - ▶ **Indeed:** GF abstract grammars are essentially Mmt theories.
 - ▶ **Observation:** GF grammars and Mmt theories best when organized modularly.
- Example 2.7.**

Semantics Construction as an MMT View

- **Observation 2.8.** We can express *semantics construction* as an *Mmt view*



- **Example 2.9.**

- ▶ **Observation 2.10.** We can express *semantics construction* as an *Mmt view*
- ▶ **Example 2.11.** Syntactic categories $\rightsquigarrow \text{PL}^{\text{na}}$ types

```
view Frag1CatSem : ?Frag1CatMMT -> ?plnqFrag1 =  
  S = o |  
  NP =  $\iota$  |  
  Vi =  $\iota \rightarrow o$  |  
  Vt =  $\iota \rightarrow \iota \rightarrow o$  |  
  Npr =  $\iota$  |  
  N =  $\iota$  |  
  Conj =  $o \rightarrow o \rightarrow o$  |
```

- ▶ **Observation 2.12.** We can express *semantics construction* as an *Mmt view*
- ▶ **Example 2.13.** Lexicon \rightsquigarrow mapping into PL^{ng} terms

```
view Frag1LexSem : ?Frag1CatMMT -> ?plnqFrag1 =
  include ?Frag1CatSem
  ethel = ethel' |
  prudence = prudence' |
  dog = dog' |
  poison = poison |
  laugh = laugh |
  and = and |
```

- ▶ **Observation 2.14.** We can express *semantics construction* as an *Mmt view*
- ▶ **Example 2.15.** Structural rules \rightsquigarrow defining functions via λ -terms

```
view Frag1RulesSem : ?Frag1CatMMT -> ?plnqFrag1 =  
  include ?Frag1CatSem  
  s1 = [n, v] v n |  
  s2 = [n1,v,n2] v n1 n2 |  
  n1 = [n] n |  
  n2 = [n] n |  
  s3 = [s] ¬s |  
  s4 = [a,c,b] c a b |  
  s5 = [n1,n2] n1 ≐n2 |  
  s6 = [n,a] a s |
```

- ▶ **Observation 2.16.** We can express *semantics construction* as an *Mmt view*
- ▶ **Example 2.17.** putting it all together

```
view Frag1Sem : ?Frag1CatMMT -> ?plnqFrag1 =  
  include ?Frag1LexSem  
  include ?Frag1RulesSem
```

▶ **Example 2.18.** *Prudence poisoned the dog and Ethel laughed*

▶ Parsing with GF

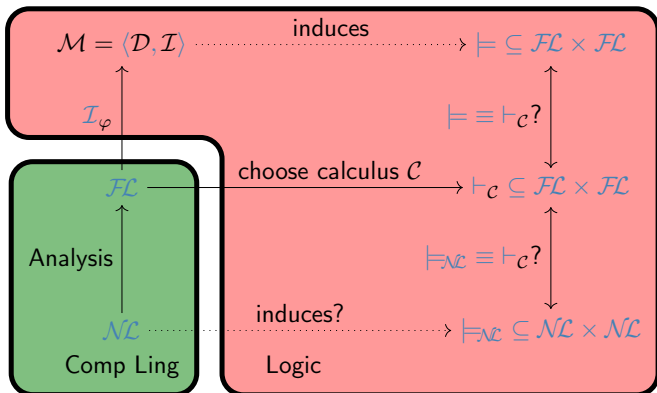
- ▶ `parse -lang=Eng "Prudence poisons the dog and Ethel laughs"`
- ▶ `s4 (s2 (n1 prudence) poison (n2 dog)) and (s1 (n1 ethel) laugh)`

▶ Semantics construction via GLF: GF parsing + Mmt view

- ▶ `parse -lang=Eng "Ethel poisons the dog and Prudence laughs" construct|`
- ▶ `poison' prudence' ^ dog' laugh' ethel'`

Montague-Style Analysis of \mathcal{F}_1 in GF and MMT

- ▶ **Recap:** We have realized the green part of



- ▶ The GF grammar for \mathcal{F}_1 defines the fragment \mathcal{NL} .
- ▶ The Mmt implementation of PL^{na} is \mathcal{FL} .
- ▶ The Mmt view implements the compositional translation function for \mathcal{F}_1

6.3 Implementing Natural Deduction in MMT

Implementing Calculi in Mmt (Judgments as Types)

- ▶ **Idea:** Represent proofs and derivations as expressions in theory of “proofs” .
- ▶ **Concretely:** For any proposition A , introduce $\vdash A$ for *the type of proofs of A* .
 - ▶ Any term of type $\vdash A \hat{=}$ a *proof of A*
 - ▶ *A is provable* $\hat{=}$ $\vdash A$ is nonempty
 - ▶ *inference rules* are proof constructors (functions)
 - ▶ a declaration $c : \vdash A$ makes $\neg A$ non-empty $\rightsquigarrow c : \vdash A \hat{=}$ an axiom
 - ▶ a definition $c : \vdash A \mid = P$ does as well but also exhibits a “proof” P
 $\rightsquigarrow c : \vdash A \mid = P \hat{=}$ a theorem
- ▶ **in MMT:** we introduce a (proof) type constructor `ded` a type $\vdash A$.

```
theory plONDminimal : ur:?LF =  
  include ?proplogMinimal |  
  ded : o  $\rightarrow$  type |#  $\vdash$ 1 prec 10 |role Judgment |
```

the `role Judgment` specifies ?????

Implementing Calculi in Mmt (\mathcal{ND}_0 Rules)

- ▶ **Recap:** We only need the \mathcal{ND}_0 rules for negation and conjunction:

$$\frac{A \quad B}{A \wedge B} \mathcal{ND}_0 \wedge I \quad \frac{A \wedge B}{A} \mathcal{ND}_0 \wedge E_l \quad \frac{A \wedge B}{B} \mathcal{ND}_0 \wedge E_r \quad \frac{\begin{array}{c} [A]^1 \quad [A]^1 \\ \vdots \\ C \end{array}}{\neg A} \mathcal{ND}_0 \neg I$$

- ▶ **The ND Rules:**

notE : {A} $\vdash \neg\neg A \rightarrow \vdash A$ | # $\neg E$ 2 |

notI : {A,Q} $(\vdash A \rightarrow \vdash Q) \rightarrow (\vdash A \rightarrow \vdash \neg Q) \rightarrow \vdash \neg A$ | # $\neg I$ 3 4 |

andI : {A,B} $\vdash A \rightarrow \vdash B \rightarrow \vdash A \wedge B$ | # $\wedge I$ 3 4 |

andEl : {A,B} $\vdash A \wedge B \rightarrow \vdash A$ | # $\wedge E_l$ 3 |

andEr : {A,B} $\vdash A \wedge B \rightarrow \vdash B$ | # $\wedge E_r$ 3 |

Inference rules as and hypothetical derivations as proof-to-proof functions.

- ▶ **Derived ND Rules:** All other inference rules of \mathcal{ND}_0 can be written down similarly. What is more, as they are **derivable** from those above, they can become **Mmt** definitions.

Implementing Calculi in Mmt (a proof)

- **Example 3.1.** We can now write down the proof for the commutativity of \vee !

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{B} \mathcal{ND}_0 \wedge E_r \quad \frac{[A \wedge B]^1}{A} \mathcal{ND}_0 \wedge E_l}{\quad} \mathcal{ND}_0 \wedge I}{B) \wedge A} \mathcal{ND}_0 \Rightarrow I^1$$

from ?? as the **Mmt** declaration

`andcomm {A,B} ⊢ A ∧ B ⇒ B ∧ A | = ⇒ I ([x] ∧ I (∧ Er x) (∧ El x))`

Chapter 7

Adding Context: Pronouns and World Knowledge

7.1 Fragment 2: Pronouns and Anaphora

Fragment 2 ($\mathcal{F}_2 \hat{=} \mathcal{F}_1 + \text{Pronouns}$)

- ▶ **Want to cover:** *Peter loves Fido. He bites him.* (almost intro)
- ▶ **We need:** Translation and interpretation for *he, she, him,...*
- ▶ **Also:** A way to integrate world knowledge to filter out one interpretation (i.e. *Humans don't bite dogs.*)
- ▶ **Idea:** Integrate variables into PL^{nq} (work backwards from that)
- ▶ **Logical System:** $\text{PL}_{NQ}^{\vee} = \text{PL}^{nq} + \text{variables}$ (Translate pronouns to variables)

- **Definition 1.1.** We have the following structural grammar rules in \mathcal{F}_2

$S1: S \rightarrow NP, V^i,$

$S2: S \rightarrow NP, V^t, NP,$

$N1: NP \rightarrow N_{pr},$

$N2: NP \rightarrow \text{Pron},$

$N3: NP \rightarrow \text{the}, N,$

$S3: S \rightarrow \text{it is not the case that}, S,$

$S4: S \rightarrow S, \text{conj}, S,$

$S5: S \rightarrow NP, \text{is}, NP,$

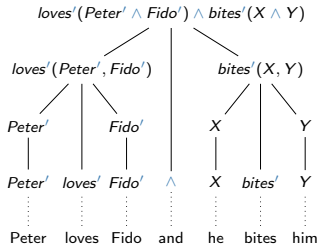
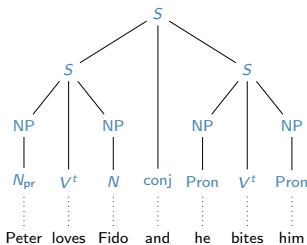
$S6: S \rightarrow NP, \text{is}, \text{Adj}$

and one additional lexical rule:

$L7: \text{Pron} \rightarrow \text{he} \mid \text{she} \mid \text{it} \mid \text{we} \mid \text{they}$

Translation for \mathcal{F}_2 (first attempt)

- ▶ **Idea:** Pronouns are translated into **new variables** (so far)
- ▶ The syntax/semantic trees for *Peter loves Fido and he bites him.* are straightforward. (almost intro)



Predicate Logic with Variables (but no Quantifiers)

- ▶ **Definition 1.2 (Logical System $PL_{NQ}^{\mathcal{V}}$).** $PL_{NQ}^{\mathcal{V}} := PL^{lq} + \text{variables}$
- ▶ **Definition 1.3 ($PL_{NQ}^{\mathcal{V}}$ Syntax).**
Category $\mathcal{V} = \{X, Y, Z, X^1, X^2, \dots\}$ of variables (allow variables wherever individual constants were allowed)
- ▶ **Definition 1.4 ($PL_{NQ}^{\mathcal{V}}$ Semantics).** Model $\mathcal{M} = \langle \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{I} \rangle$ (need to evaluate variables)
 - ▶ **variable assignment:** $\varphi: \mathcal{V}_i \rightarrow U$
 - ▶ **value function:** $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi}(X) = \varphi(X)$ (defined like \mathcal{I} elsewhere)
 - ▶ call a $PL_{NQ}^{\mathcal{V}}$ formula A **valid** in \mathcal{M} under φ , iff $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi}(A) = \top$,
 - ▶ call it **satisfiable** in \mathcal{M} , iff there is a **variable assignment** φ , such that $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi}(A) = \top$

Implementing Fragment 2 in GF

- ▶ The grammar of Fragment 2 only differs from that of Fragment 1 by
 - ▶ **Pronouns:** $\text{Pron} \hat{=} \text{cat Pron}$; fun usePron : Pron \rightarrow NP; he, she, it : Pron;
 - ▶ **Case:** for distinguishing *he/him* in English.

```
param Case = nom | acc;
oper
  NounPhraseType : Type = { s : Case => Str };
  PronounType : Type = { s : Case => Str };
lincat
  NP = NounPhraseType;
  Pron = PronounType;
```

- ▶ English Paradigms to deal with case

```
mkNP = overload {
  mkNP : Str  $\rightarrow$  NP =
    \name  $\rightarrow$  lin NP { s = table { nom => name; acc => name } };
  mkNP : (Case => Str)  $\rightarrow$  NP = \caseTable  $\rightarrow$  lin NP { s = caseTable };};
  mkPron : (she : Str)  $\rightarrow$  (her : Str)  $\rightarrow$  Pron =
    \she, her  $\rightarrow$  lin Pron { s = table { nom => she; acc => her } };
  he = mkPron "he" "him" ; she = mkPron "she" "her"; it = mkPron "it" "it";
```

7.2 A Tableau Calculus for PLNQ with Free Variables

7.2.1 Calculi for Automated Theorem Proving: Analytical Tableaux

7.2.1.1 Analytical Tableaux

- ▶ **Definition 2.1.** A **formula** is called **atomic** (or an **atom**) if it does not contain **logical constants**, else it is called **complex**.
- ▶ **Definition 2.2.** We call a **pair** A^α of a **formula** and a **truth value** $\alpha \in \{T, F\}$ a **labeled formula**. For a **set** Φ of **formulae** we use $\Phi^\alpha := \{A^\alpha \mid A \in \Phi\}$.
- ▶ **Definition 2.3.** A **labeled atom** A^α is called a (**positive** if $\alpha = T$, else **negative**) **literal**.
- ▶ **Intuition:** To **satisfy** a **formula**, we make it “true”. To satisfy a **labeled formula** A^α , it must have the truth value α .
- ▶ **Definition 2.4.** For a **literal** A^α , we call the **literal** A^β with $\alpha \neq \beta$ the **opposite literal** (or **partner literal**).

Alternative Definition: Literals

- ▶ **Note:** Literals are often defined without recurring to labeled formulae:
- ▶ **Definition 2.5.** A literal is an atom A (positive literal) or negated atom $\neg A$ (negative literal). A and $\neg A$ are opposite literals.
- ▶ **Note:** This notion of literal is equivalent to the labeled formulae-notion of literal, but does not generalize as well to logics with more than two truth values.

Test Calculi: Tableaux and Model Generation

- ▶ **Idea:** A tableau calculus is a test calculus that
 - ▶ analyzes a labeled formulae in a tree to determine satisfiability,
 - ▶ its branches correspond to valuations (\rightsquigarrow models).
- ▶ **Example 2.6.** Tableau calculi try to construct models for labeled formulae:

Tableau refutation (Validity)	Model generation (Satisfiability)
$\models P \wedge Q \Rightarrow Q \wedge P$	$\models P \wedge (Q \vee \neg R) \wedge \neg Q$
$(P \wedge Q \Rightarrow Q \wedge P)^F$ $(P \wedge Q)^T$ $(Q \wedge P)^F$ P^T Q^T $P^F \mid Q^F$ $\perp \mid \perp$	$(P \wedge (Q \vee \neg R) \wedge \neg Q)^T$ $(P \wedge (Q \vee \neg R))^T$ $\neg Q^T$ Q^F P^T $(Q \vee \neg R)^T$ $Q^T \mid \neg R^T$ $\perp \mid R^F$
No Model	Herbrand Model $\{P^T, Q^F, R^F\}$ $\varphi := \{P \mapsto T, Q \mapsto F, R \mapsto F\}$

- ▶ **Idea:** Open branches in saturated tableaux yield models.
- ▶ **Algorithm:** Fully expand all possible tableaux, (no rule can be applied)
- ▶ Satisfiable, iff there are open branches (correspond to models)

Analytical Tableaux (Formal Treatment of \mathcal{T}_0)

- ▶ **Idea:** A test calculus where
 - ▶ A labeled formula is analyzed in a tree to determine satisfiability,
 - ▶ branches correspond to valuations (models)
- ▶ **Definition 2.7.** The propositional tableau calculus \mathcal{T}_0 has two inference rules per connective (one for each possible label)

$$\frac{(A \wedge B)^T}{\begin{array}{l} A^T \\ B^T \end{array}} \mathcal{T}_0^\wedge \quad \frac{(A \wedge B)^F}{\begin{array}{l} A^F \\ B^F \end{array}} \mathcal{T}_0^\vee \quad \frac{\neg A^T}{A^F} \mathcal{T}_0^{\neg T} \quad \frac{\neg A^F}{A^T} \mathcal{T}_0^{\neg F} \quad \frac{\begin{array}{l} A^\alpha \\ A^\beta \end{array} \quad \alpha \neq \beta}{\perp} \mathcal{T}_0^\perp$$

Use rules exhaustively as long as they contribute new material (\rightsquigarrow termination)

- ▶ **Definition 2.8.** We call any tree (introduces branches) produced by the \mathcal{T}_0 inference rules from a set Φ of labeled formulae a tableau for Φ .
- ▶ **Definition 2.9.** Call a tableau saturated, iff no rule adds new material and a branch closed, iff it ends in \perp , else open. A tableau is closed, iff all of its branches are.

- ▶ **Definition 2.10 (\mathcal{T}_0 -Theorem/Derivability).** A is a \mathcal{T}_0 -theorem ($\vdash_{\mathcal{T}_0} A$), iff there is a closed tableau with A^F at the root.
 $\Phi \subseteq \text{wff}_0(\mathcal{V}_0)$ derives A in \mathcal{T}_0 ($\Phi \vdash_{\mathcal{T}_0} A$), iff there is a closed tableau starting with A^F and Φ^T . The tableau with only a branch of A^F and Φ^T is called initial for $\Phi \vdash_{\mathcal{T}_0} A$.

A Valid Real-World Example

► **Example 2.11.** *If Mary loves Bill and John loves Mary, then John loves Mary*

$$\begin{array}{l} (\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}) \wedge \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})) \Rightarrow \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary}) \text{)}^F \\ \neg(\neg\neg(\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}) \wedge \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})) \wedge \neg\text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})) \text{)}^F \\ (\neg\neg(\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}) \wedge \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})) \wedge \neg\text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})) \text{)}^T \\ \quad \neg\neg(\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}) \wedge \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})) \text{)}^T \\ \quad \quad \neg(\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}) \wedge \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})) \text{)}^F \\ \quad \quad \quad (\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}) \wedge \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})) \text{)}^T \\ \quad \quad \quad \quad \neg\text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary}) \text{)}^T \\ \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}) \text{)}^T \\ \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary}) \text{)}^T \\ \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary}) \text{)}^F \\ \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \perp \end{array}$$

This is a closed tableau, so the

$\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}) \wedge \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary}) \Rightarrow \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})$ is a \mathcal{T}_0 -theorem.

As we will see, \mathcal{T}_0 is sound and complete, so

$$\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}) \wedge \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary}) \Rightarrow \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})$$

is valid.

- **Example 2.12.** *Mary loves Bill* and *John loves Mary* together entail that *John loves Mary*

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill})^T \\ \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})^T \\ \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})^F \\ \perp \end{array}$$

This is a closed tableau, so

$\{\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}), \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})\} \vdash_{\mathcal{T}_0} \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})$.

Again, as \mathcal{T}_0 is sound and complete we have

$$\{\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}), \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})\} \models \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})$$

A Falsifiable Real-World Example

- **Example 2.13.** * *If Mary loves Bill or John loves Mary, then John loves Mary* (this fails)
Try proving the implication

$$\begin{array}{l} ((\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}) \vee \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})) \Rightarrow \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary}))^F \\ \neg(\neg\neg(\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}) \vee \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})) \wedge \neg\text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary}))^F \\ (\neg\neg(\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}) \vee \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})) \wedge \neg\text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary}))^T \\ \quad \neg\text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})^T \\ \quad \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})^F \\ \neg\neg(\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}) \vee \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary}))^T \\ \neg(\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}) \vee \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary}))^F \\ (\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}) \vee \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary}))^T \\ \text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill})^T \quad | \quad \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})^T \\ \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \perp \end{array}$$

Indeed we can make $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill})) = T$ but $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(\text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})) = F$.

- **Example 2.14.** Does *Mary loves Bill or John loves Mary* entail that *John loves Mary*?

$$\begin{array}{c} (\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}) \vee \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary}))^T \\ \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})^F \\ \text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill})^T \quad | \quad \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})^T \\ \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \perp \end{array}$$

This saturated tableau has an open branch that shows that the interpretation with $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill})) = \text{T}$ but $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(\text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})) = \text{F}$ falsifies the derivability/entailment conjecture.

7.2.1.2 Practical Enhancements for Tableaux

Derived Rules of Inference

- ▶ **Definition 2.15.** An inference rule $\frac{A_1 \dots A_n}{C}$ is called **derivable** (or a **derived rule**) in a calculus \mathcal{C} , if there is a \mathcal{C} derivation $A_1, \dots, A_n \vdash_{\mathcal{C}} C$.
- ▶ **Definition 2.16.** We have the following **derivable inference rules** in \mathcal{T}_0 :

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{(A \Rightarrow B)^T}{A^F \mid B^T} \quad \frac{(A \Rightarrow B)^F}{A^T \mid B^F} \quad \frac{A^T}{(A \Rightarrow B)^T} \quad \frac{A^T}{(A \Rightarrow B)^T} \\
 \\
 \frac{(A \vee B)^T}{A^T \mid B^T} \quad \frac{(A \vee B)^F}{A^F \mid B^F} \quad \frac{A \Leftrightarrow B^T}{A^T \mid A^F \mid B^T \mid B^F} \quad \frac{A \Leftrightarrow B^F}{A^T \mid A^F \mid B^F \mid B^T} \\
 \\
 \frac{A^T}{(A \Rightarrow B)^T} \quad \frac{(A \Rightarrow B)^T}{(\neg A \vee B)^T} \quad \frac{(\neg A \vee B)^T}{\neg(\neg\neg A \wedge \neg B)^T} \quad \frac{\neg(\neg\neg A \wedge \neg B)^T}{(\neg\neg A \wedge \neg B)^F} \\
 \frac{(\neg\neg A \wedge \neg B)^F}{\neg\neg A^F \mid \neg B^F} \quad \frac{\neg\neg A^F \mid \neg B^F}{\neg A^T \mid B^T} \quad \frac{\neg A^T \mid B^T}{A^F \mid \perp}
 \end{array}$$

Example 2.17.

$$\begin{array}{l} (\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}) \wedge \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary}) \Rightarrow \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary}))^F \\ (\text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill}) \wedge \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary}))^T \\ \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})^F \\ \text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{bill})^T \\ \text{loves}(\text{john}, \text{mary})^T \\ \perp \end{array}$$

7.2.2 A Tableau Calculus for PLNQ with Free Variables

A Tableau Calculus for PL_{NQ}^V

- **Definition 2.18 (Tableau Calculus for PL_{NQ}^V).** $\mathcal{T}_V^P = \mathcal{T}_0 +$ new tableau rules for formulae with variables

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ A^\alpha \quad c \in \mathcal{H} \\ \vdots \end{array}}{([c/X](A))^\alpha} \mathcal{T}_V^P \text{ WK}$$

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \boxed{A^\alpha} \quad \mathcal{H} = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\} \\ \text{free}(A) = \{X_1, \dots, X_m\} \end{array}}{(\sigma_1(A))^\alpha \mid \dots \mid (\sigma_{n^m}(A))^\alpha} \mathcal{T}_V^P \text{ Ana}$$

\mathcal{H} is the set of ind. constants in the branch above (Herbrand Base) and the σ_i are substitutions that instantiate the X_j with any combinations of the a_k (there are n^m of them).

- the first rule is used for world knowledge (up in the branch)
- the second rule is used for input logical forms ... (while they are still at the leaf)

Some Examples in \mathcal{F}_2

- **Example 2.19 (Peter snores).**

(Only sleeping people snore)

$$\begin{array}{c} (\text{snores}(X) \Rightarrow \text{sleeps}(X))^T \\ \boxed{(\text{snores}(\text{peter})^T)} \\ (\text{snores}(\text{peter}) \Rightarrow \text{sleeps}(\text{peter}))^T \\ \text{sleeps}(\text{peter})^T \end{array}$$

- **Example 2.20 (Peter sleeps. John walks. He snores).**

(who snores?)

$$\begin{array}{c} \boxed{(\text{sleeps}(\text{peter})^T)} \\ \boxed{(\text{walks}(\text{john})^T)} \\ \boxed{(\text{snores}(X)^T)} \\ \text{snores}(\text{peter})^T \mid \text{snores}(\text{john})^T \end{array}$$

Does Tweety fly? The everlasting Question in AI

► Example 2.21.

Tweety is a bird

$$\begin{aligned} & (\text{bird}(X) \Rightarrow (\text{flies}(X) \vee \text{penguin}(X)))^T \\ & (\text{penguin}(X) \Rightarrow \neg \text{flies}(X))^T \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{(\text{bird}(\text{tweety})^T)}$$

$$\begin{array}{l|l} (\text{flies}(\text{tweety}) \vee \text{penguin}(\text{tweety}))^T & \\ \text{flies}(\text{tweety})^T & \text{penguin}(\text{tweety})^T \\ & \neg \text{flies}(\text{tweety})^T \\ & \text{flies}(\text{tweety})^F \end{array}$$

Tweety is an eagle

$$\begin{aligned} & (\text{bird}(X) \Rightarrow (\text{flies}(X) \vee \text{penguin}(X)))^T \\ & (\text{eagle}(X) \Rightarrow \text{bird}(X))^T \\ & (\text{penguin}(X) \Rightarrow \neg \text{eagle}(X))^T \\ & (\text{penguin}(X) \Rightarrow \neg \text{flies}(X))^T \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{(\text{eagle}(\text{tweety})^T)}$$

$$\begin{array}{l|l} \text{bird}(\text{tweety})^T & \\ (\text{flies}(\text{tweety}) \vee \text{penguin}(\text{tweety}))^T & \\ \text{flies}(\text{tweety})^T & \text{penguin}(\text{tweety})^T \\ & (\neg \text{eagle}(\text{tweety}))^T \\ & \text{eagle}(\text{tweety})^F \\ & \perp \end{array}$$

► For the second we need to add more world knowledge.

7.2.3 Case Study: Peter loves Fido, even though he sometimes bites him

Finally: *Peter loves Fido. He bites him.*

► Let's try it naively

(worry about the problems later.)

$$\begin{array}{c} \boxed{(I(p, f)^T)} \\ \boxed{(b(X, Y)^T)} \\ b(p, p)^T \mid b(p, f)^T \mid b(f, p)^T \mid b(f, f)^T \end{array}$$

► **Problem:** We get four readings instead of one!

► **Idea:** We have not specified enough world knowledge

Peter and Fido with World Knowledge

- Nobody bites himself, humans do not bite dogs.

$$\begin{array}{c} d(f)^T \\ m(p)^T \\ b(X, X)^F \\ (d(X) \wedge m(Y) \Rightarrow \neg b(Y, X))^T \\ \boxed{(I(p, f))^T} \\ \boxed{(b(X, Y))^T} \end{array}$$

$b(p, p)^T$ $b(p, p)^F$ \perp	$(d(f) \wedge m(p) \Rightarrow \neg b(p, f))^T$	$b(p, f)^T$ $b(p, f)^F$ \perp	$b(f, p)^T$	$b(f, f)^T$ $b(f, f)^F$ \perp
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- **Observation:** Pronoun resolution introduces **ambiguities**.
- **Pragmatics:** Use world knowledge to filter out impossible **readings**.

7.2.4 The Computational Role of Ambiguities

The computational Role of Ambiguities

- ▶ **Observation:** (in the traditional waterfall model)
Every processing stage introduces **ambiguities** that need to be resolved.
 - ▶ **Syntax:** e.g. *Peter chased the man in the red sports car* (attachment)
 - ▶ **Semantics:** e.g. *Peter went to the bank* (lexical)
 - ▶ **Pragmatics:** e.g. *Two men carried two bags* (collective vs. distributive)
- ▶ **Question:** Where does pronoun-ambiguity belong? (much less clear)
- ▶ **Answer:** we have freedom to choose
 - 1. resolve the pronouns in the syntax (generic waterfall model)
 - ↪ multiple syntactic representations (pragmatics as filter)
 - 2. resolve the pronouns in the pragmatics (our model here)
 - ↪ need underspecified syntactic representations (e.g. variables)
 - ↪ pragmatics needs **ambiguity** treatment (e.g. tableaux)

Translation for \mathcal{F}_2 Reconsidered

- ▶ **Idea:** Pronouns are translated into **new variables** (so far)
- ▶ **Problem:** *Peter loves Mary. She loves him.*

$(\text{loves}(\text{peter}, \text{mary})^T)$

$(\text{loves}(X, Y)^T)$

$\text{loves}(\text{peter}, \text{peter})^T \mid \text{loves}(\text{peter}, \text{mary})^T \mid \text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{peter})^T \mid \text{loves}(\text{mary}, \text{mary})^T$

- ▶ **Idea:** attach world knowledge to pronouns (just as with Peter and Fido)
 - ▶ use the world knowledge to distinguish (linguistic) gender by predicates **masc** and **fem**
- ▶ **Idea:** attach world knowledge to pronouns (just as with Peter and Fido)
- ▶ **Problem:** properties of
 - ▶ **proper names** are given in the model,
 - ▶ **pronouns** must be given by the syntax/semantics interface
- ▶ **In particular:** How to generate $\text{loves}(X, Y) \wedge \text{masc}(X) \wedge \text{fem}(Y)$ compositionally?

Sorts refine World Categories

- ▶ **Definition 2.22 (Sorted Logics).** (in our case PL_S^1) assume a set of **sorts** $\mathcal{S} := \{\mathbb{A}, \mathbb{B}, \mathbb{C}, \dots\}$, annotate every syntactic and semantic structure with **them**. Make all constructions and operations **well sorted**:
 - ▶ **Syntax:** variables and constants are sorted $X_{\mathbb{A}}, Y_{\mathbb{B}}, Z_{\mathbb{C}_1}^1, \dots, a_{\mathbb{A}}, b_{\mathbb{A}}, \dots$
 - ▶ **Semantics:** subdivide the Universe \mathcal{D}_i into subsets $\mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{A}} \subseteq \mathcal{D}_i$
Interpretation \mathcal{I} and variable assignment φ have to be well-sorted.
 $\mathcal{I}(a_{\mathbb{A}}), \varphi(X_{\mathbb{A}}) \in \mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{A}}$.
 - ▶ **calculus:** **substitutions** must be well sorted $[a_{\mathbb{A}}/X_{\mathbb{A}}]$ OK, $[a_{\mathbb{A}}/X_{\mathbb{B}}]$ not.
- ▶ **Observation:** Sorts do not add expressivity in principle (**just practically**) For every sort \mathbb{A} , we introduce a first-order predicate $\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{A}}$ and
 - ▶ Translate $R(X_{\mathbb{A}}) \wedge \neg P(Z_{\mathbb{C}})$ to $\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{A}}(X) \wedge \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{C}}(Z) \Rightarrow R(X) \wedge \neg P(Z)$ in world knowledge.
 - ▶ Translate $R(X_{\mathbb{A}}) \wedge \neg P(Z_{\mathbb{C}})$ to $\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{A}}(X) \wedge \mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{C}}(Z) \wedge R(X, Y) \wedge \neg P(Z)$ in input.
 - ▶ **Meaning** is preserved, but translation is **non-compositional!**

7.3 Tableaux and Model Generation

7.3.1 Tableau Branches and Herbrand Models

Model Generation and Models

- ▶ **Idea:** Choose the universe U as the set Σ_0^f of constants, choose $\mathcal{I}(=)\text{Id}_{\Sigma_0^f}$, interpret $p \in \Sigma_k^p$ via $\mathcal{I}(p) := \{\langle a_1, \dots, a_k \rangle \mid p(a_1, \dots, a_k) \in \mathcal{H}\}$.
- ▶ **Definition 3.2.** We call a model a **Herbrand model**, iff $U = \Sigma_0^f$ and $\mathcal{I} = \text{Id}_{\Sigma_0^f}$.
- ▶ **Lemma 3.3.**

Let \mathcal{H} be a set of *atomic propositions*, then setting

$$\mathcal{I}(p) := \{\langle a_1, \dots, a_k \rangle \mid p(a_1, \dots, a_k) \in \mathcal{H}\}$$

yields a Herbrand Model that satisfies \mathcal{H} . (proof trivial)

- ▶ **Corollary 3.4.** Let \mathcal{H} be a consistent (i.e. ∇_c holds) set of *atomic propositions*, then there is a Herbrand Model that satisfies \mathcal{H} . (take \mathcal{H}^T)

7.3.2 Using Model Generation for Interpretation

- ▶ **Definition 3.5.** **Mental model theory** [JL83; JLB91] posits that humans form **mental models** of the world, i.e. (neural) representations of possible states of the world that are consistent with the perceptions up to date and use them to reason about the world.
- ▶ **So** communication by **natural language** is a process of transporting parts of the **mental model** of the speaker into the **mental model** of the hearer.
- ▶ **Therefore** the NL interpretation process on the part of the hearer is a process of integrating the **meaning** of the **utterances** of the speaker into his **mental model**.
- ▶ **Idea:** We can model **discourse** understanding as a process of generating Herbrand models for the **logical form** of an **utterance** in a **discourse** by a **tableau** based **model generation** procedure.
- ▶ **Advantage:** Capturing **ambiguity** by generating multiple models for input **logical forms**.

- **Definition 3.6.** The **tableau machine** is an inferential cognitive model for incremental natural language understanding that implements **mental model theory** via **tableau based model generation** over a sequence of **input sentences**. It iterates the following process for every **input sentence** starting with the empty tableau:
1. add the **logical form** of the **input sentence** S_i to the selected branch,
 2. perform tableau inferences below S_i until saturated or some resource criterion is met
 3. if there are open branches choose a “preferred branch”, otherwise **backtrack** to previous tableau for S_j with $j < i$ and open branches, then re-process S_{j+1}, \dots, S_i if possible, else fail.

The output is application dependent; some choices are

- the Herbrand model for the preferred branch \rightsquigarrow **preferred interpretation**;
- the **literals** augmented with all non expanded formulae (from the **discourse**); (resource-bound was reached)
- machine answers user **queries** (preferred model \models query?)
- **model generation** mode (guided by resources and strategies)
- **theorem proving** mode (\square for side conditions; using tableau rules)

The Tableau Machine in Action

- ▶ **Example 3.7.** The **tableau machine** in action on two **sentences**.

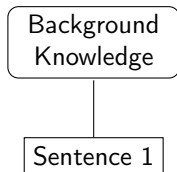
initialize tableau

Background
Knowledge

The Tableau Machine in Action

- ▶ **Example 3.8.** The tableau machine in action on two sentences.

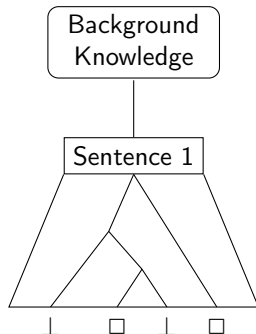
input sentence



The Tableau Machine in Action

- ▶ **Example 3.9.** The tableau machine in action on two sentences.

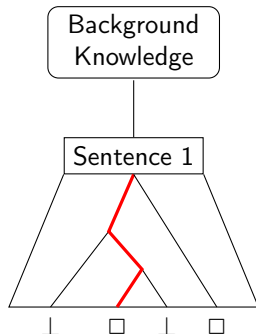
saturate tableau



The Tableau Machine in Action

- **Example 3.10.** The tableau machine in action on two sentences.

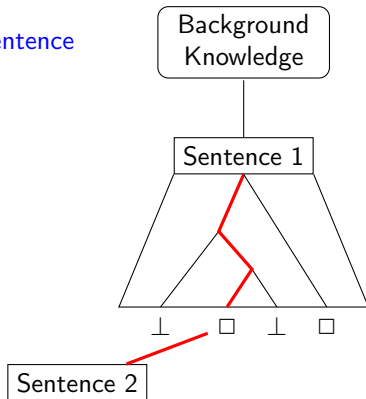
choose branch



The Tableau Machine in Action

- **Example 3.11.** The tableau machine in action on two sentences.

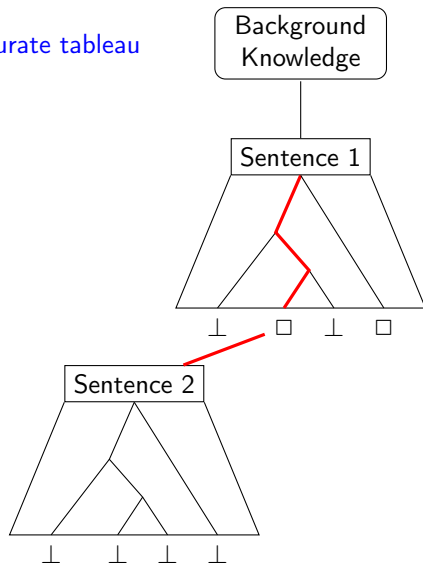
input sentence



The Tableau Machine in Action

- **Example 3.12.** The tableau machine in action on two sentences.

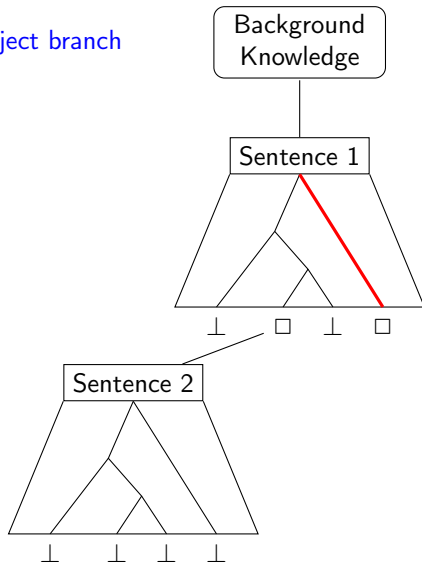
Saturate tableau



The Tableau Machine in Action

- **Example 3.13.** The tableau machine in action on two sentences.

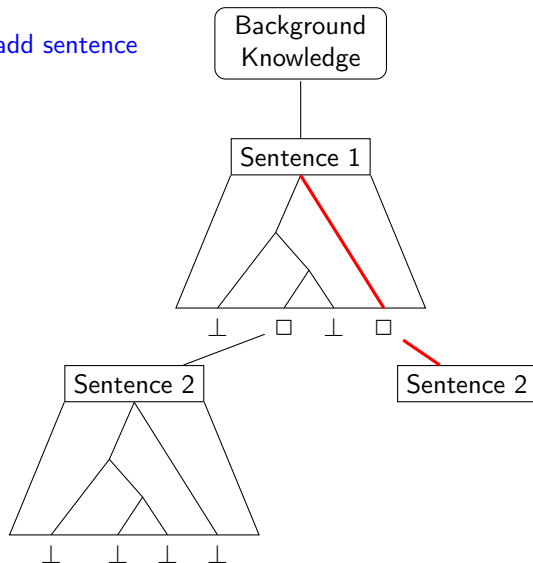
reject branch



The Tableau Machine in Action

- **Example 3.14.** The tableau machine in action on two sentences.

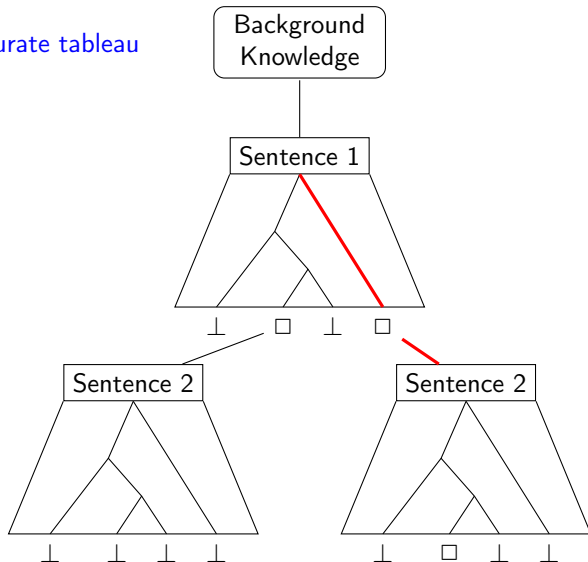
re-add sentence



The Tableau Machine in Action

- **Example 3.15.** The tableau machine in action on two sentences.

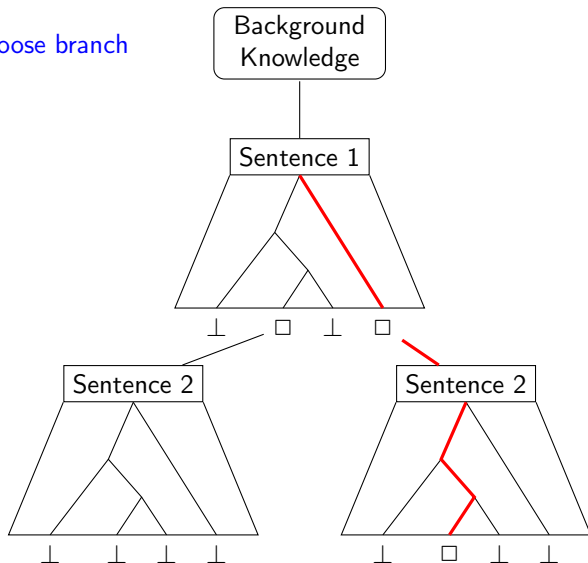
saturate tableau



The Tableau Machine in Action

- **Example 3.16.** The tableau machine in action on two sentences.

choose branch



Two (Syntactical) Readings

- ▶ **Example 3.17.** *Peter loves Mary and Mary sleeps or Peter snores* (syntactically ambiguous)

Reading 1 $\text{loves}(\text{peter}, \text{mary}) \wedge (\text{sleeps}(\text{mary}) \vee \text{snores}(\text{peter}))$

Reading 2 $\text{loves}(\text{peter}, \text{mary}) \wedge \text{sleeps}(\text{mary}) \vee \text{snores}(\text{peter})$

- ▶ Let us first consider the first reading in 3.17. Let us furthermore assume that we start out with the empty tableau, even though this is cognitively implausible, since it simplifies the presentation.

$\text{loves}(\text{peter}, \text{mary}) \wedge (\text{sleeps}(\text{mary}) \vee \text{snores}(\text{peter}))$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{loves}(\text{peter}, \text{mary})^T \\ (\text{sleeps}(\text{mary}) \vee \text{snores}(\text{peter}))^T \\ \text{sleeps}(\text{mary})^T \mid \text{snores}(\text{peter})^T \end{array}$$

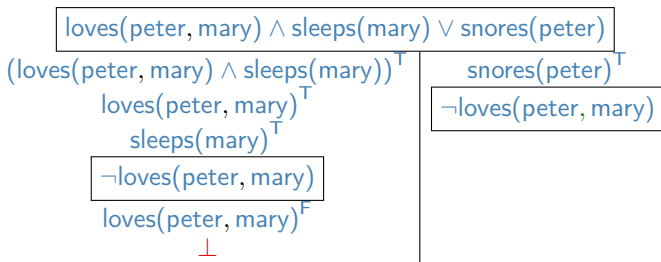
- ▶ **Observation:** We have two models, so we have a case of **semantical ambiguity**.

The other (Syntactical) Reading

$$\begin{array}{l} \boxed{\text{loves}(\text{peter}, \text{mary}) \wedge \text{sleeps}(\text{mary}) \vee \text{snores}(\text{peter})} \\ (\text{loves}(\text{peter}, \text{mary}) \wedge \text{sleeps}(\text{mary}))^{\top} \quad | \quad \text{snores}(\text{peter})^{\top} \\ \quad \text{loves}(\text{peter}, \text{mary})^{\top} \\ \quad \quad \text{sleeps}(\text{mary})^{\top} \end{array}$$

Continuing the Discourse

- ▶ **Example 3.18.** *Peter does not love Mary*
then the second tableau would be extended to




and the first tableau closes altogether.

- ▶ In effect the choice of models has been reduced to one, which constitutes the intuitively correct reading of the **discourse**

- ▶ Conforms with **psycholinguistic findings**:
 - ▶ Zwaan& Radvansky [ZR98]: listeners not only represent logical form, but also **models containing referents**.
 - ▶ deVega [de 95]: online, **incremental** process.
 - ▶ Singer [Sin94]: enriched by **background knowledge**.
 - ▶ Glenberg et al. [GML87]: major function is to provide basis for **anaphor resolution**.

Towards a Performance Model for NLU

- ▶ **Problem:** The **tableau machine** is only a **competence model**.
- ▶ **Definition 3.19.** A **competence model** is a **meaning theory** that delineates a space of possible **discourses**. A **performance model** delineates the **discourses** actually used in communication. (after [Cho65a])
- ▶ **Idea:** We need to guide the **tableau machine** in which inferences and branch choices it performs.
- ▶ **Idea:** Each tableau rule comes with rule costs.
 - ▶ **Here:** each **sentence** in the **discourse** has a fixed inference budget.
Expansion until budget used up.
 - ▶ **Ultimately** we want bounded optimization regime [Rus91]:
Expansion as long as expected gain in model quality outweighs proof costs
- ▶ **Effect:** Expensive rules are rarely applied. (only if the promise great rewards)
- ▶  Finding appropriate values for rule costs and model quality is an open problem.

7.3.3 Adding Equality to PLNQ or Fragment 1

$PL_{NQ}^{\wedge} =:$ Adding Equality to PL^{nq}

- ▶ **Syntax:** Just another binary predicate constant =
- ▶ **Semantics:** Fixed as $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi}(a = b) = \top$, iff $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi}(a) = \mathcal{I}_{\varphi}(b)$. (logical constant)
- ▶ **Definition 3.20 (Tableau Calculus $\mathcal{T}_{NQ}^{\overline{=}}$).** Add two additional inference rules (a positive and a negative) to \mathcal{T}_0

$$\frac{a \in \mathcal{H}}{a = a^{\top}} \mathcal{T}_{NQ}^{\overline{=}} \text{sym} \qquad \frac{a = b^{\top} \quad A[a]_p^{\alpha}}{[b/p]A^{\alpha}} \mathcal{T}_{NQ}^{\overline{=}} \text{rep}$$

where

- ▶ $\mathcal{H} \hat{=}$ the Herbrand Base, i.e. the set of constants occurring on the branch
- ▶ we write $C[A]_p$ to indicate that $C|_p = A$ (C has subterm A at position p).
- ▶ $[A/p]C$ is obtained from C by replacing the subterm at position p with A .
- ▶ **Note:** We could have equivalently written $\mathcal{T}_{NQ}^{\overline{=}} \text{sym}$ as $\frac{a = a^{\text{F}}}{\perp}$: With $\mathcal{T}_{NQ}^{\overline{=}} \text{sym}$ we can conjure a $a = a^{\top}$ from thin air which can then be used to close the $a = a^{\text{F}}$.
- ▶ **So, ...** $\mathcal{T}_{NQ}^{\overline{=}} \text{sym}$ and $\mathcal{T}_{NQ}^{\overline{=}} \text{rep}$ follow the pattern of having a \top and a F rule per logical constant.

Reading Comprehension Example: Mini TOEFL test

- ▶ **Example 3.21 (Reading Comprehension).** If you hear/read *Mary is the teacher. Peter likes the teacher.*, do you know whether *Peter likes Mary*?
- ▶ **Idea:** Interpret via tableau machine (interpretation mode) and test entailment in theorem proving mode.
- ▶ **Interpretation:** Feed $\Phi_1 := \text{mary} = \text{the_teacher}$ and $\Phi_2 := \text{likes}(\text{peter}, \text{the_teacher})$ to the tableau machine in turn.
Model generation tableau (nothing to do on these inputs)

$$\begin{array}{c} \boxed{\text{mary} = \text{the_teacher}^T} \\ \boxed{\text{likes}(\text{peter}, \text{the_teacher})^T} \end{array}$$

- ▶ **Entailment Test:** label $\varphi := \text{likes}(\text{peter}, \text{mary})$ with F and saturate the tableau.

$$\begin{array}{c} \boxed{\text{mary} = \text{the_teacher}^T} \\ \boxed{\text{likes}(\text{peter}, \text{the_teacher})^T} \\ \text{likes}(\text{peter}, \text{mary})^F \\ \text{likes}(\text{peter}, \text{the_teacher})^F \\ \perp \end{array}$$

Indeed, it closes, so $\Phi_1, \Phi_2 \models \varphi$.

Chapter 8

Pronouns and World Knowledge in First-Order Logic

8.1 First-Order Logic

First-Order Predicate Logic (PL¹)

- ▶ **Coverage:** We can talk about *(All humans are mortal)*
 - ▶ **individual things** and denote them by variables or constants
 - ▶ **properties of individuals**, *(e.g. being human or mortal)*
 - ▶ **relations of individuals**, *(e.g. sibling_of relationship)*
 - ▶ **functions on individuals**, *(e.g. the father_of function)*
- We can also state the **existence** of an individual with a certain property, or the **universality** of a property.
- ▶ But we cannot state assertions like
 - ▶ *There is a surjective function from the natural numbers into the reals.*
- ▶ First-Order Predicate Logic has many good properties *(complete calculi, compactness, unitary, linear unification, ...)*
- ▶ But too weak for formalizing: *(at least directly)*
 - ▶ natural numbers, torsion groups, calculus, ...
 - ▶ **generalized quantifiers** *(most, few, ...)*

8.1.1 First-Order Logic: Syntax and Semantics

PL¹ Syntax (Signature and Variables)

- ▶ **Definition 1.1.** **First-order logic (PL¹)**, is a **formal system** extensively used in **mathematics**, **philosophy**, **linguistics**, and **computer science**. It combines **propositional logic** with the ability to quantify over individuals.
- ▶ PL¹ talks about two kinds of objects: (so we have two kinds of symbols)
 - ▶ **truth values** by reusing PL⁰
 - ▶ **individuals**, e.g. numbers, foxes, Pokémon,...
- ▶ **Definition 1.2.** A **first-order signature** consists of (all disjoint; $k \in \mathbb{N}$)
 - ▶ **connectives**: $\Sigma_0 = \{T, F, \neg, \vee, \wedge, \Rightarrow, \Leftrightarrow, \dots\}$ (functions on truth values)
 - ▶ **function constants**: $\Sigma_k^f = \{f, g, h, \dots\}$ (k -ary functions on individuals)
 - ▶ **predicate constants**: $\Sigma_k^p = \{p, q, r, \dots\}$ (k -ary relations among individuals.)
 - ▶ (**Skolem constants**: $\Sigma_k^{sk} = \{f_k^1, f_k^2, \dots\}$) (witness constructors; countably ∞)
 - ▶ We take Σ_1 to be all of these together: $\Sigma_1 := \Sigma^f \cup \Sigma^p \cup \Sigma^{sk}$ and define $\Sigma := \Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_0$.
- ▶ **Definition 1.3.** We assume a set of **individual variables**: $\mathcal{V}_i := \{X, Y, Z, \dots\}$. (countably ∞)

- ▶ **Definition 1.4. Terms:** $A \in \text{wff}_l(\Sigma_1, \mathcal{V}_l)$ (denote individuals)
 - ▶ $\mathcal{V}_l \subseteq \text{wff}_l(\Sigma_1, \mathcal{V}_l)$,
 - ▶ if $f \in \Sigma_k^f$ and $A^i \in \text{wff}_l(\Sigma_1, \mathcal{V}_l)$ for $i \leq k$, then $f(A^1, \dots, A^k) \in \text{wff}_l(\Sigma_1, \mathcal{V}_l)$.
- ▶ **Definition 1.5. Propositions:** $A \in \text{wff}_o(\Sigma_1, \mathcal{V}_l)$: (denote truth values)
 - ▶ if $p \in \Sigma_k^p$ and $A^i \in \text{wff}_l(\Sigma_1, \mathcal{V}_l)$ for $i \leq k$, then $p(A^1, \dots, A^k) \in \text{wff}_o(\Sigma_1, \mathcal{V}_l)$,
 - ▶ if $A, B \in \text{wff}_o(\Sigma_1, \mathcal{V}_l)$ and $X \in \mathcal{V}_l$, then $T, A \wedge B, \neg A, \forall X.A \in \text{wff}_o(\Sigma_1, \mathcal{V}_l)$.
 \forall is a binding operator called the **universal quantifier**.
- ▶ **Definition 1.6.** We define the **connectives** $F, \vee, \Rightarrow, \Leftrightarrow$ via the abbreviations $A \vee B := \neg(\neg A \wedge \neg B)$, $A \Rightarrow B := \neg A \vee B$, $A \Leftrightarrow B := (A \Rightarrow B) \wedge (B \Rightarrow A)$, and $F := \neg T$. We will use them like the primary **connectives** \wedge and \neg
- ▶ **Definition 1.7.** We use $\exists X.A$ as an abbreviation for $\neg(\forall X.\neg A)$. \exists is a **binding operator** called the **existential quantifier**.
- ▶ **Definition 1.8.** Call **formulae** without **connectives** or **quantifiers** **atomic** else **complex**.

Alternative Notations for Quantifiers

Here	Elsewhere
$\forall x.A$	$\bigwedge x.A \quad (x)A$
$\exists x.A$	$\bigvee x.A$

- ▶ **Definition 1.9.** We call an **occurrence** of a **variable** X **bound** in a formula A , iff it occurs in a sub-formula $\forall X.B$ of A . We call a **variable occurrence** **free** otherwise.

For a formula A , we will use $BVar(A)$ (and $free(A)$) for the set of **bound** (**free**) variables of A , i.e. variables that have a **free/bound occurrence** in A .

- ▶ **Definition 1.10.** We define the set $free(A)$ of **free** variable of a formula A :

$$free(X) := \{X\}$$

$$free(f(A_1, \dots, A_n)) := \bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq n} free(A_i)$$

$$free(p(A_1, \dots, A_n)) := \bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq n} free(A_i)$$

$$free(\neg A) := free(A)$$

$$free(A \wedge B) := free(A) \cup free(B)$$

$$free(\forall X.A) := free(A) \setminus \{X\}$$

- ▶ **Definition 1.11.** We call a **formula** A **closed** or **ground**, iff $free(A) = \emptyset$. We call a **closed proposition** a **sentence**, and denote the set of all **ground terms** with $cwff_i(\Sigma_1)$ and the set of **sentences** with $cwff_o(\Sigma_1)$.

Semantics of PL^1 (Models)

- ▶ **Definition 1.12.** We inherit the domain $\mathcal{D}_0 = \{T, F\}$ of truth values from PL^0 and assume an arbitrary domain $\mathcal{D}_i \neq \emptyset$ of individuals. (this choice is a parameter to the semantics)
- ▶ **Definition 1.13.** An interpretation \mathcal{I} assigns values to constants, e.g.
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}(\neg): \mathcal{D}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_0$ with $T \mapsto F$, $F \mapsto T$, and $\mathcal{I}(\wedge) = \dots$ (as in PL^0)
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}: \Sigma_k^f \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_i^k \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_i$ (interpret function symbols as arbitrary functions)
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}: \Sigma_k^p \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{D}_i^k)$ (interpret predicates as arbitrary relations)
- ▶ **Definition 1.14.** A variable assignment $\varphi: \mathcal{V}_i \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_i$ maps variables into the domain.
- ▶ **Definition 1.15.** A model $\mathcal{M} = \langle \mathcal{D}_i, \mathcal{I} \rangle$ of PL^1 consists of a domain \mathcal{D}_i and an interpretation \mathcal{I} .

- ▶ **Definition 1.16.** Given a model $\langle \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{I} \rangle$, the **value function** \mathcal{I}_φ is recursively defined:
(two parts: terms & propositions)
- ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi: \text{wff}_l(\Sigma_1, \mathcal{V}_l) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_l$ assigns values to terms.
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(X) := \varphi(X)$ and
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(f(A_1, \dots, A_k)) := \mathcal{I}(f)(\mathcal{I}_\varphi(A_1), \dots, \mathcal{I}_\varphi(A_k))$
- ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi: \text{wff}_o(\Sigma_1, \mathcal{V}_l) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_0$ assigns values to formulae:
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(\top) = \mathcal{I}(\top) = \top$,
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(\neg A) = \mathcal{I}(\neg)(\mathcal{I}_\varphi(A))$
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(A \wedge B) = \mathcal{I}(\wedge)(\mathcal{I}_\varphi(A), \mathcal{I}_\varphi(B))$ (just as in PL^0)
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(p(A_1, \dots, A_k)) := \top$, iff $\langle \mathcal{I}_\varphi(A_1), \dots, \mathcal{I}_\varphi(A_k) \rangle \in \mathcal{I}(p)$
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(\forall X.A) := \top$, iff $\mathcal{I}_{(\varphi, [a/X])}(A) = \top$ for all $a \in \mathcal{D}_l$.
- ▶ **Definition 1.17 (Assignment Extension).** Let φ be a **variable assignment** into D and $a \in D$, then $\varphi, [a/X]$ is called the **extension** of φ with $[a/X]$ and is defined as $\{(Y, a) \in \varphi \mid Y \neq X\} \cup \{(X, a)\}$: $\varphi, [a/X]$ coincides with φ off X , and gives the result a there.

► **Example 1.18.** We define an instance of first-order logic:

► **Signature:** Let $\Sigma_0^f := \{j, m\}$, $\Sigma_1^f := \{f\}$, and $\Sigma_2^p := \{o\}$

► **Universe:** $\mathcal{D}_\iota := \{J, M\}$

► **Interpretation:** $\mathcal{I}(j) := J$, $\mathcal{I}(m) := M$, $\mathcal{I}(f)(J) := M$, $\mathcal{I}(f)(M) := M$, and $\mathcal{I}(o) := \{(M, J)\}$.

Then $\forall X.o(f(X), X)$ is a **sentence** and with $\psi := \varphi, [a/X]$ for $a \in \mathcal{D}_\iota$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I}_\varphi(\forall X.o(f(X), X)) = \text{T} & \text{ iff } \mathcal{I}_\psi(o(f(X), X)) = \text{T} \text{ for all } a \in \mathcal{D}_\iota \\ & \text{ iff } (\mathcal{I}_\psi(f(X)), \mathcal{I}_\psi(X)) \in \mathcal{I}(o) \text{ for all } a \in \{J, M\} \\ & \text{ iff } (\mathcal{I}(f)(\mathcal{I}_\psi(X)), \psi(X)) \in \{(M, J)\} \text{ for all } a \in \{J, M\} \\ & \text{ iff } (\mathcal{I}(f)(\psi(X)), a) = (M, J) \text{ for all } a \in \{J, M\} \\ & \text{ iff } \mathcal{I}(f)(a) = M \text{ and } a = J \text{ for all } a \in \{J, M\} \end{aligned}$$

But $a \neq J$ for $a = M$, so $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(\forall X.o(f(X), X)) = \text{F}$ in the model $\langle \mathcal{D}_\iota, \mathcal{I} \rangle$.

8.1.2 First-Order Substitutions

Substitutions on Terms

- ▶ **Intuition:** If B is a **term** and X is a **variable**, then we denote the result of systematically replacing all **occurrences** of X in a **term** A by B with $[B/X](A)$.
- ▶ **Problem:** What about $[Z/Y], [Y/X](X)$, is that Y or Z ?
- ▶ **Folklore:** $[Z/Y], [Y/X](X) = Y$, but $[Z/Y]([Y/X](X)) = Z$ of course. (Parallel application)
- ▶ **Definition 1.19.** Let $wfe(\Sigma, \mathcal{V})$ be an **expression language**, then we call $\sigma: \mathcal{V} \rightarrow wfe(\Sigma, \mathcal{V})$ a **substitution**, iff the **support** $\text{supp}(\sigma) := \{X \mid (X, A) \in \sigma, X \neq A\}$ of σ is **finite**. We denote the **empty substitution** with ϵ .
- ▶ **Definition 1.20 (Substitution Application).** We define **substitution application** by
 - ▶ $\sigma(c) = c$ for $c \in \Sigma$
 - ▶ $\sigma(X) = A$, iff $A \in \mathcal{V}$ and $(X, A) \in \sigma$.
 - ▶ $\sigma(f(A_1, \dots, A_n)) = f(\sigma(A_1), \dots, \sigma(A_n))$,
 - ▶ $\sigma(\beta X. A) = \beta X. \sigma_{-X}(A)$.
- ▶ **Example 1.21.** $[a/x], [f(b)/y], [a/z]$ instantiates $g(x, y, h(z))$ to $g(a, f(b), h(a))$.
- ▶ **Definition 1.22.** Let σ be a **substitution** then we call $\text{intro}(\sigma) := \bigcup_{X \in \text{supp}(\sigma)} \text{free}(\sigma(X))$ the set of variables **introduced** by σ .

► **Definition 1.23 (Substitution Extension).**

Let σ be a substitution, then we denote the extension of σ with $[A/X]$ by $\sigma, [A/X]$ and define it as $\{(Y, B) \in \sigma \mid Y \neq X\} \cup \{(X, A)\}$: $\sigma, [A/X]$ coincides with σ off X , and gives the result A there.

► **Note:** If σ is a substitution, then $\sigma, [A/X]$ is also a substitution.

► We also need the dual operation: removing a variable from the support:

► **Definition 1.24.** We can discharge a variable X from a substitution σ by setting $\sigma_{-X} := \sigma, [X/X]$.

Substitutions on Propositions

- ▶ **Problem:** We want to extend substitutions to propositions, in particular to quantified formulae: What is $\sigma(\forall X.A)$?
- ▶ **Idea:** σ should not instantiate bound variables. $([A/X](\forall X.B) = \forall A.B')$
ill-formed)
- ▶ **Definition 1.25.** $\sigma(\forall X.A) := (\forall X.\sigma_{-X}(A))$.
- ▶ **Problem:** This can lead to variable capture: $[f(X)/Y](\forall X.p(X, Y))$ would evaluate to $\forall X.p(X, f(X))$, where the second occurrence of X is bound after instantiation, whereas it was free before.
- ▶ **Definition 1.26.** Let $B \in \text{wff}_l(\Sigma_l, \mathcal{V}_l)$ and $A \in \text{wff}_o(\Sigma_l, \mathcal{V}_l)$, then we call B substitutable for X in A , iff A has no occurrence of X in a subterm $\forall Y.C$ with $Y \in \text{free}(B)$.
- ▶ **Solution:** Forbid substitution $[B/X]A$, when B is not substitutable for X in A .
- ▶ **Better Solution:** Rename away the bound variable X in $\forall X.p(X, Y)$ before applying the substitution. (see alphabetic renaming later.)

Substitution Value Lemma for Terms

► **Lemma 1.27.** Let A and B be terms, then $\mathcal{I}_\varphi([B/X]A) = \mathcal{I}_\psi(A)$, where $\psi = \varphi, [I_\varphi(B)/X]$.

► *Proof:* by induction on the depth of A :

1. depth=0 Then A is a variable (say Y), or constant, so we have three cases

1.1. $A = Y = X$

1.1.1. then

$$\mathcal{I}_\varphi([B/X](A)) = \mathcal{I}_\varphi([B/X](X)) = \mathcal{I}_\varphi(B) = \psi(X) = \mathcal{I}_\psi(X) = \mathcal{I}_\psi(A).$$

1.2. $A = Y \neq X$

1.2.1. then $\mathcal{I}_\varphi([B/X](A)) = \mathcal{I}_\varphi([B/X](Y)) = \mathcal{I}_\varphi(Y) = \varphi(Y) = \psi(Y) = \mathcal{I}_\psi(Y) = \mathcal{I}_\psi(A).$

1.3. A is a constant

1.3.1. Analogous to the preceding case ($Y \neq X$).

1.4. This completes the **base case** (depth = 0).

2. depth > 0

2.1. then $A = f(A_1, \dots, A_n)$ and we have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{I}_\varphi([B/X](A)) &= \mathcal{I}(f)(\mathcal{I}_\varphi([B/X](A_1)), \dots, \mathcal{I}_\varphi([B/X](A_n))) \\ &= \mathcal{I}(f)(\mathcal{I}_\psi(A_1), \dots, \mathcal{I}_\psi(A_n)) \\ &= \mathcal{I}_\psi(A).\end{aligned}$$

Substitution Value Lemma for Propositions

- ▶ **Lemma 1.28.** Let $B \in \text{wff}_\iota(\Sigma_\iota, \mathcal{V}_\iota)$ be substitutable for X in $A \in \text{wff}_o(\Sigma_\iota, \mathcal{V}_\iota)$, then $\mathcal{I}_\varphi([B/X](A)) = \mathcal{I}_\psi(A)$, where $\psi = \varphi, [\mathcal{I}_\varphi(B)/X]$.
- ▶ *Proof:* by induction on the number n of connectives and quantifiers in A
 1. $n = 0$
 - 1.1. then A is an atomic proposition, and we can argue like in the induction step of the substitution value lemma for terms.
 2. $n > 0$ and $A = \neg B$ or $A = C \circ D$
 - 2.1. Here we argue like in the induction step of the term lemma as well.
 3. $n > 0$ and $A = \forall X.C$
 - 3.1. then $\mathcal{I}_\psi(A) = \mathcal{I}_\psi(\forall X.C) = \top$, iff $\mathcal{I}_{(\psi, [a/X])}(C) = \mathcal{I}_{(\varphi, [a/X])}(C) = \top$, for all $a \in \mathcal{D}_\iota$, which is the case, iff $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(\forall X.C) = \mathcal{I}_\varphi([B/X](A)) = \top$.
 4. $n > 0$ and $A = \forall Y.C$ where $X \neq Y$
 - 4.1. then $\mathcal{I}_\psi(A) = \mathcal{I}_\psi(\forall Y.C) = \top$, iff $\mathcal{I}_{(\psi, [a/Y])}(C) = \mathcal{I}_{(\varphi, [a/Y])}([B/X](C)) = \top$, by induction hypothesis.
 - 4.2. So $\mathcal{I}_\psi(A) = \mathcal{I}_\varphi(\forall Y.[B/X](C)) = \mathcal{I}_\varphi([B/X](\forall Y.C)) = \mathcal{I}_\varphi([B/X](A))$

8.1.3 Alpha-Renaming for First-Order Logic

- ▶ **Lemma 1.29.** *Bound variables can be renamed:* If Y is substitutable for X in A , then $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(\forall X.A) = \mathcal{I}_\varphi(\forall Y.[Y/X](A))$.
- ▶ *Proof:* by the definitions:
 1. $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(\forall X.A) = \top$, iff
 2. $\mathcal{I}_{(\varphi, [a/X])}(A) = \top$ for all $a \in \mathcal{D}_v$, iff
 3. $\mathcal{I}_{(\varphi, [a/Y])}([Y/X](A)) = \top$ for all $a \in \mathcal{D}_v$, iff (by substitution value lemma)
 4. $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(\forall Y.[Y/X](A)) = \top$.
- ▶ **Definition 1.30.** We call two formulae A and B **alphabetic variants** (or **α -equal**; write $A =_\alpha B$), iff $A = \forall X.C$ and $B = \forall Y.[Y/X](C)$ for some variables X and Y .

Avoiding Variable Capture by Built-in α -renaming

- ▶ **Idea:** Given alphabetic renaming, consider alphabetic variants as identical!
- ▶ **So:** Bound variable names in formulae are just a representational device. (we rename bound variables wherever necessary)
- ▶ **Formally:** Take $cwff_o(\Sigma_l)$ (new) to be the quotient space of $cwff_o(\Sigma_l)$ (old) modulo $=_\alpha$. (formulae as syntactic representatives of equivalence classes)
- ▶ **Definition 1.31 (Capture-Avoiding Substitution Application).** Let σ be a substitution, A a formula, and A' an alphabetic variant of A , such that $\text{intro}(\sigma) \cap \text{BVar}(A) = \emptyset$. Then $[A]_{=\alpha} = [A']_{=\alpha}$ and we can define $\sigma([A]_{=\alpha}) := [(\sigma(A'))]_{=\alpha}$.
- ▶ **Notation:** After we have understood the quotient construction, we will neglect making it explicit and write formulae and substitutions with the understanding that they act on quotients.
- ▶ **Alternative:** Replace variables with numbers in formulae (de Bruijn indices).

- ▶ **Theorem 1.32.** *Validity in first-order logic is undecidable.*
- ▶ *Proof:* We prove this by contradiction
 1. Let us assume that there is a

8.2 First-Order Inference with Tableaux

First-Order Standard Tableaux (\mathcal{T}_1)

- **Definition 2.1.** The **standard tableau calculus** (\mathcal{T}_1) extends \mathcal{T}_0 (propositional tableau calculus) with the following **quantifier** rules:

$$\frac{(\forall X.A)^T \quad C \in \text{cwf}_l(\Sigma_l)}{([C/X](A))^T} \mathcal{T}_1 \forall \qquad \frac{(\forall X.A)^F \quad c \in \Sigma_0^{sk} \text{ new}}{([c/X](A))^F} \mathcal{T}_1 \exists$$

- **Problem:** The rule $\mathcal{T}_1 \forall$ displays a case of “don’t know indeterminism”: to find a **refutation** we have to guess a formula C from the (usually **infinite**) set $\text{cwf}_l(\Sigma_l)$. For proof search, this means that we have to systematically try all, so $\mathcal{T}_1 \forall$ is **infinitely** branching in general.

8.2.1 Free Variable Tableaux

Free variable Tableaux (\mathcal{T}_1^f)

- **Definition 2.2.** The **free variable tableau calculus** (\mathcal{T}_1^f) extends \mathcal{T}_0 (propositional tableau calculus) with the **quantifier** rules:

$$\frac{(\forall X.A)^T \quad Y \text{ new}}{([Y/X](A))^T} \mathcal{T}_1^f \forall \qquad \frac{(\forall X.A)^F \quad \text{free}(\forall X.A) = \{X^1, \dots, X^k\} \quad f \in \Sigma_k^{sk} \text{ new}}{([f(X^1, \dots, X^k)/X](A))^F} \mathcal{T}_1^f \exists$$

and generalizes its cut rule $\mathcal{T}_0 \perp$ to:

$$\frac{A^\alpha \quad B^\beta \quad \alpha \neq \beta \quad \sigma(A) = \sigma(B)}{\perp : \sigma} \mathcal{T}_1^f \perp$$

$\mathcal{T}_1^f \perp$ instantiates the whole tableau by σ .

- **Advantage:** No guessing necessary in $\mathcal{T}_1^f \forall$ -rule!
- **New Problem:** find suitable substitution (most general unifier) (later)

- **Definition 2.3.** Derivable quantifier rules in \mathcal{T}_1^f :

$$\frac{(\exists X.A)^T \text{ free}(\forall X.A) = \{X^1, \dots, X^k\} \quad f \in \Sigma_k^{sk} \text{ new}}{([f(X^1, \dots, X^k)/X](A))^T}$$
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Start, close left branch	use $\mathcal{T}_1^f \forall$ again (right branch)
$ \begin{array}{l} ((p(a) \vee p(b)) \Rightarrow (\exists x.p(x)))^F \\ (p(a) \vee p(b))^T \\ (\exists x.p(x))^F \\ (\forall x.\neg p(x))^T \\ \neg p(y)^T \\ p(y)^F \\ p(a)^T \quad \quad p(b)^T \\ \perp : [a/y] \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{l} ((p(a) \vee p(b)) \Rightarrow (\exists x.p(x)))^F \\ (p(a) \vee p(b))^T \\ (\exists x.p(x))^F \\ (\forall x.\neg p(x))^T \\ \neg p(a)^T \\ p(a)^F \\ p(a)^T \quad \quad p(b)^T \\ \perp : [a/y] \quad \quad \neg p(z)^T \\ \quad \quad \quad \quad p(z)^F \\ \quad \quad \quad \quad \perp : [b/z] \end{array} $

After we have used up $p(y)^F$ by applying $[a/y]$ in $\mathcal{T}_1^f \perp$, we have to get a new instance $p(z)^F$ via $\mathcal{T}_1^f \forall$.

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- ▶ **Remark:** Otherwise validity in PL^1 would be **decidable**.
- ▶ **Implementation:** We need an iterative **multiplicity** deepening process.

Treating $\mathcal{T}_1^f \perp$

- ▶ **Recall:** The $\mathcal{T}_1^f \perp$ rule instantiates the whole tableau.
- ▶ **Problem:** There may be more than one $\mathcal{T}_1^f \perp$ opportunity on a branch.
- ▶ **Example 2.29.** Choosing which matters – this tableau does not close!

$$\begin{array}{c} (\exists x.(p(a) \wedge p(b) \Rightarrow p()) \wedge (q(b) \Rightarrow q(x)))^F \\ ((p(a) \wedge p(b) \Rightarrow p()) \wedge (q(b) \Rightarrow q(y)))^F \\ (p(a) \Rightarrow p(b) \Rightarrow p())^F \quad | \quad (q(b) \Rightarrow q(y))^F \\ \quad p(a)^T \quad \quad \quad q(b)^T \\ \quad p(b)^T \quad \quad \quad q(y)^F \\ \quad p(y)^F \\ \perp : [a/y] \end{array}$$

choosing the other $\mathcal{T}_1^f \perp$ in the left branch allows closure.

- ▶ **Idea:** Two ways of systematic proof search in \mathcal{T}_1^f :
 - ▶ backtracking search over $\mathcal{T}_1^f \perp$ opportunities
 - ▶ saturate without $\mathcal{T}_1^f \perp$ and find spanning matings

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Spanning Matings for $\mathcal{T}_1^f \perp$

► **Observation 2.30.** \mathcal{T}_1^f without $\mathcal{T}_1^f \perp$ is terminating and confluent for given multiplicities.

► **Idea:** Saturate without $\mathcal{T}_1^f \perp$ and treat all cuts at the same time (later).

► **Definition 2.31.**

Let \mathcal{T} be a \mathcal{T}_1^f tableau, then we call a unification problem

$\mathcal{E} := A_1 = ? B_1 \wedge \dots \wedge A_n = ? B_n$ a **mating** for \mathcal{T} , iff A_i^T and B_i^F occur in the same branch in \mathcal{T} .

We say that \mathcal{E} is a **spanning mating**, if \mathcal{E} is unifiable and every branch \mathcal{B} of \mathcal{T} contains A_i^T and B_i^F for some i .

► **Theorem 2.32.** A \mathcal{T}_1^f -tableau with a *spanning mating* induces a closed \mathcal{T}_1 tableau.

► *Proof sketch:* Just apply the unifier of the *spanning mating*.

► **Idea:** Existence is sufficient, we do not need to compute the unifier.

► **Implementation:** Saturate without $\mathcal{T}_1^f \perp$, backtracking search for spanning matings with \mathcal{DU} , adding pairs incrementally.

Spanning Matings for $\mathcal{T}_1^f \perp$

► **Observation 2.33.** \mathcal{T}_1^f without $\mathcal{T}_1^f \perp$ is terminating and confluent for given multiplicities.

► **Idea:** Saturate without $\mathcal{T}_1^f \perp$ and treat all cuts at the same time (later).

► **Definition 2.34.**

Let \mathcal{T} be a \mathcal{T}_1^f tableau, then we call a unification problem

$\mathcal{E} := A_1 = ? B_1 \wedge \dots \wedge A_n = ? B_n$ a **mating** for \mathcal{T} , iff A_i^T and B_i^F occur in the same branch in \mathcal{T} .

We say that \mathcal{E} is a **spanning mating**, if \mathcal{E} is unifiable and every branch \mathcal{B} of \mathcal{T} contains A_i^T and B_i^F for some i .

► **Theorem 2.35.** A \mathcal{T}_1^f -tableau with a *spanning mating* induces a closed \mathcal{T}_1 tableau.

► *Proof sketch:* Just apply the unifier of the *spanning mating*.

► **Idea:** Existence is sufficient, we do not need to compute the unifier.

► **Implementation:** Saturate without $\mathcal{T}_1^f \perp$, backtracking search for spanning matings with \mathcal{DU} , adding pairs incrementally.

8.3 Model Generation with Quantifiers

Model Generation (The *RM* Calculus [Kon04])

- ▶ **Idea:** Try to generate domain-minimal (i.e. fewest individuals) models (for NL interpretation)
- ▶ **Problem:** Even one function constant makes Herbrand base infinite (solution: leave them out)
- ▶ **Definition 3.1.** *RM* adds ground quantifier rules to propositional tableau calculus

$$\frac{(\forall X.A)^T \quad c \in \mathcal{H}}{([c/X](A))^T} \text{RM}\forall \quad \frac{(\forall X.A)^F \quad \mathcal{H} = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\} \quad w \notin \mathcal{H} \text{ new}}{([a_1/X](A))^F \mid \dots \mid ([a_n/X](A))^F \mid ([w/X](A))^F}$$

- ▶ *RM* \exists rule introduces new witness constant w to Herbrand base \mathcal{H} of branch
- ▶ Apply *RM* \forall exhaustively (for new w reapply all *RM* \forall rules on branch!)

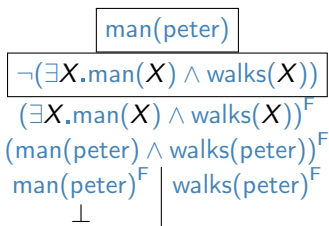
Generating infinite models (Natural Numbers)

- ▶ We have to re-apply the $RM\forall$ rule for any new constant
- ▶ **Example 3.2.** This leads to the generation of infinite models

$$\begin{array}{c}
 (\forall x. \neg x > x \wedge \dots)^T \\
 N(0)^T \\
 (\forall x. N(x) \Rightarrow (\exists y. N(y) \wedge y > x))^T \\
 (N(0) \Rightarrow (\exists y. N(y) \wedge y > 0))^T \\
 (\exists y. N(y) \wedge y > 0)^T \\
 \begin{array}{l}
 N(0)^F \\
 \perp
 \end{array}
 \left|
 \begin{array}{l}
 0 > 0^T \\
 N(0)^T \\
 0 > 0^F \\
 \perp
 \end{array}
 \right|
 \begin{array}{l}
 N(1)^T \\
 1 > 0^T \\
 (N(1) \Rightarrow (\exists y. N(y) \wedge y > 1))^T \\
 (\exists y. N(y) \wedge y > 1)^T \\
 N(1)^F \\
 \perp
 \end{array}
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 N(0)^T \\
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 \vdots \\
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 \begin{array}{l}
 N(1)^T \\
 1 > 1^T \\
 1 > 1^F \\
 \perp
 \end{array}
 \left|
 \begin{array}{l}
 N(2)^T \\
 2 > 1^T \\
 \vdots
 \end{array}
 \right.
 \end{array}$$

Example: *Peter is a man. No man walks*

without sorts

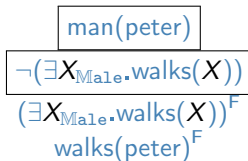


problem: 1000 women

\Rightarrow

1000 closed branches

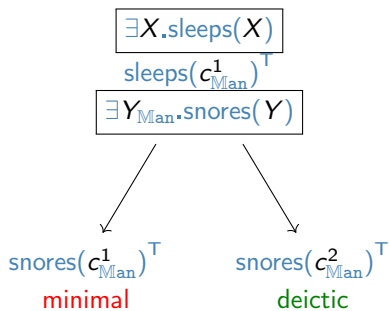
with sort Male



► Herbrand-model

$\{\text{man}(\text{peter})^T, \text{walks}(\text{peter})^F\}$

Anaphor Resolution *A man sleeps. He snores*



▶ In a situation without men (but maybe thousands of women)

- ▶ **Example 3.3.** *Mary is married to Jeff. Her husband is not in town.* (slightly outside \mathcal{F}_2) In PL^1 : $\text{married}(\text{mary}, \text{jeff})$, and

$$\exists W_{\text{Male}}, W'_{\text{Female}}. \text{husband}(W, W') \wedge \neg \text{intown}(W)$$

- ▶ World knowledge

- ▶ If woman X is married to man Y , then Y is the only husband of X .
- ▶ $\forall X_{\text{Female}}, Y_{\text{Male}}. \text{married}(X, Y) \Rightarrow \text{husband}(Y, X) \wedge (\forall Z. \text{husband}(Z, X) \Rightarrow (Z = Y))$

- ▶ Model generation gives tableau where all open branches contain

$$\{\text{married}(\text{mary}, \text{jeff})^T, \text{husband}(\text{jeff}, \text{mary})^T, \text{intown}(\text{jeff})^F\}$$

- ▶ **Differences:** Additional negative facts e.g. $\text{married}(\text{mary}, \text{mary})^F$.

A branch without world knowledge

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{married}(\text{mary}, \text{jeff})^T \\ & (\exists Z_{\text{Male}}, Z'_{\text{Female}}. \text{husband}(Z, Z') \wedge \neg \text{intown}(Z))^T \\ & (\exists Z'. \text{husband}(c_{\text{Male}}^1, Z') \wedge \neg \text{intown}(c_{\text{Male}}^1))^T \\ & (\text{husband}(c_{\text{Male}}^1, \text{mary}) \wedge \neg \text{intown}(c_{\text{Male}}^1))^T \\ & \text{husband}(c_{\text{Male}}^1, \text{mary})^T \\ & \neg \text{intown}(c_{\text{Male}}^1)^T \\ & \text{intown}(c_{\text{Male}}^1)^F \end{aligned}$$

- **Problem: Bigamy:**
 c_{Male}^1 and jeff are
husbands of *Mary*!

Chapter 9

Fragment 3: Complex Verb Phrases

9.1 Fragment 3 (Handling Verb Phrases)

New Data (Verb Phrases)

- ▶ *Ethel howled and screamed.*
- ▶ *Ethel kicked the dog and poisoned the cat.*
- ▶ *Fiona liked Jo and loathed Ethel and tolerated Prudence.*
- ▶ *Fiona kicked the cat and laughed.*
- ▶ *Prudence kicked and scratched Ethel.*
- ▶ *Bertie didn't laugh.*
- ▶ *Bertie didn't laugh and didn't scream.*
- ▶ *Bertie didn't laugh or scream.*
- ▶ *Bertie didn't laugh or kick the dog.*
- ▶ ** Bertie didn't didn't laugh.*

New Grammar in Fragment 3 (Verb Phrases)

- ▶ To account for the syntax we come up with the concept of a verb-phrase (VP)
- ▶ **Definition 1.1.** \mathcal{F}_3 has the following rules:

S1.	S	\rightarrow	$NPVP_{+fin}$
S2.	S	\rightarrow	$SconjS$
V1.	$VP_{\pm fin}$	\rightarrow	$V'_{\pm fin}$
V2.	$VP_{\pm fin}$	\rightarrow	$V^t_{\pm fin}, NP$
V3.	$VP_{\pm fin}$	\rightarrow	$VP_{\pm fin}, conj, VP_{\pm fin}$
V4.	VP_{+fin}	\rightarrow	$BE_=, NP$
V5.	VP_{+fin}	\rightarrow	$BE_{pred}, Adj.$
V6.	VP_{+fin}	\rightarrow	$didn't VP_{-fin}$
N1.	NP	\rightarrow	N_{pr}
N2.	NP	\rightarrow	$Pron$
N3.	NP	\rightarrow	$the N$

L8.	$BE_=$	\rightarrow	is
L9.	BE_{pred}	\rightarrow	is
L10.	V'_{-fin}	\rightarrow	run, laugh, sing,...
L11.	V^t_{-fin}	\rightarrow	read, poison, eat,...

▶ Limitations of \mathcal{F}_3 :

- ▶ The rule for *didn't* over-generates: * *John didn't didn't run* (need tense for that)
- ▶ \mathcal{F}_3 does not allow coordination of transitive verbs (problematic anyways)

Implementing Fragment 3 in GF

- ▶ The grammar of Fragment 3 only differs from that of Fragment 2 by
 - ▶ **Verb phrases:** cat VP; VPf; infinite and finite **verb phrases**
 - ▶ **Verb Form:** to distinguish *howl* and *howled* in English

```
param VForm = VInf | VPast;  
oper VerbType : Type = {s : VForm => Str };
```

- ▶ English Paradigms to deal with verb forms.

```
mkVP = overload {  
  mkVP : (v : VForm => Str) -> VP = \v -> lin VP {s = v};  
  mkVP : (v : VForm => Str) -> Str -> VP =  
  \v, str -> lin VP {s = table{VInf => v!VInf ++ str; VPast => v!VPast ++ str}}};  
  mkVP : (v : VForm => Str) -> Str -> (v : VForm => Str) -> VP =  
  \v1, str, v2 -> lin VP {s = table{VInf => v1!VInf ++ str ++ v2!VInf;  
    VPast => v1!VPast ++ str ++ v2!VPast}}};  
  mkVPf : Str -> VPf = \str -> lin VPf {s = str};
```

9.2 Dealing with Functions in Logic and Language

- ▶ Types are semantic annotations for terms that prevent antinomies
- ▶ **Definition 2.1.** Given a set \mathcal{BT} of **base types**, construct **function types**: $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$ is the type of functions with **domain type** α and **range type** β . We call the closure \mathcal{T} of \mathcal{BT} under **function types** the set of **types** over \mathcal{BT} .
- ▶ **Definition 2.2.**
We will use ι for the **type of individuals** and **prop** for the **type of truth values**.
- ▶ **Right Associativity:** The type constructor is used as a right-associative operator, i.e. we use $\alpha \rightarrow \beta \rightarrow \gamma$ as an abbreviation for $\alpha \rightarrow (\beta \rightarrow \gamma)$
- ▶ **Vector Notation:**
We will use a kind of vector notation for function types, abbreviating $\alpha_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \alpha_n \rightarrow \beta$ with $\bar{\alpha}_n \rightarrow \beta$.

Syntactical Categories and Types

- ▶ Now, we can assign types to phrasial categories.

Cat	Type	Intuition
S	prop	truth value
NP	ι	individual
N_{pr}	ι	individuals
VP	$\iota \rightarrow \text{prop}$	property
V^i	$\iota \rightarrow \text{prop}$	unary predicate
V^t	$\iota \rightarrow \iota \rightarrow \text{prop}$	binary relation

- ▶ For the category conj , we cannot get by with a single type. Depending on where it is used, we need the types

- ▶ $\text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop}$ for S -coordination in rule $S2: S \rightarrow S, \text{conj}, S$
- ▶ $\iota \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \iota \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \iota \rightarrow \text{prop}$ for VP -coordination in $V3: VP \rightarrow VP, \text{conj}, VP$.

- ▶ **Note:** Computational Linguistics, often uses a different notation for types: e (entity) for ι , t (truth value) for prop , and $\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle$ for $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$ (no bracket elision convention).

So the type for VP -coordination has the form $\langle \langle \iota, [\text{ling}]t \rangle, \langle \langle \iota, [\text{ling}]t \rangle, \langle \iota, [\text{ling}]t \rangle \rangle$

From Comprehension to β -Conversion

- ▶ $\exists F_{\alpha \rightarrow \beta} . \forall X_{\alpha} . FX = A_{\beta}$ for arbitrary variable X_{α} and term $A \in \text{wff}_{\beta}(\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}}, \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}})$ (for each term A and each variable X there is a function $f \in \mathcal{D}_{(\alpha \rightarrow \beta)}$, with $f(\varphi(X)) = \mathcal{I}_{\varphi}(A)$)
 - ▶ schematic in $\alpha, \beta, X_{\alpha}$ and A_{β} , very inconvenient for deduction
- ▶ Transformation in \mathcal{H}_{Ω}
 - ▶ $\exists F_{\alpha \rightarrow \beta} . \forall X_{\alpha} . FX = A_{\beta}$
 - ▶ $\forall X_{\alpha} . (\lambda X_{\alpha} . A)X = A_{\beta}$ ($\exists E$)
Call the function F whose existence is guaranteed “ $(\lambda X_{\alpha} . A)$ ”
 - ▶ $(\lambda X_{\alpha} . A)B = [B/X]A_{\beta}$ ($\forall E$), in particular for $B \in \text{wff}_{\alpha}(\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}}, \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}})$.
- ▶ **Definition 2.3. Axiom of β equality:** $(\lambda X_{\alpha} . A) B = [B/X](A_{\beta})$
- ▶ **Idea:** Introduce a new class of formulae (λ -calculus [Chu40])

► **Definition 2.4. Extensionality Axiom:**

$$\forall F_{\alpha \rightarrow \beta}. \forall G_{\alpha \rightarrow \beta}. (\forall X_{\alpha}. FX = GX) \Rightarrow F = G$$

► **Idea:** Maybe we can get by with a simplified equality schema here as well.

► **Definition 2.5.** We say that A and $\lambda X_{\alpha}. A X$ are η -equal, (write $A_{\alpha \rightarrow \beta} =_{\eta} (\lambda X_{\alpha}. A X)$), iff $X \notin \text{free}(A)$.

► **Theorem 2.6.** η -equality and Extensionality are equivalent

► *Proof:* We show that η -equality is special case of extensionality; the converse direction is trivial

1. Let $\forall X_{\alpha}. AX = BX$, thus $AX = BX$ with $\forall E$

2. $\lambda X_{\alpha}. AX = \lambda X_{\alpha}. BX$, therefore $A = B$ with η

3. Hence $\forall F_{\alpha \rightarrow \beta}. \forall G_{\alpha \rightarrow \beta}. (\forall X_{\alpha}. FX = GX) \Rightarrow F = G$ by twice $\forall I$.

► Axiom of truth values: $\forall F_{\text{prop}}. \forall G_{\text{prop}}. FG \Leftrightarrow F = G$ unsolved.

9.3 Translation for Fragment 3

Translations for Fragment 3

- ▶ We will look at the new translation rules (the rest stay the same).

$$T1: [X_{NP}, Y_{VP}]_S \rightsquigarrow VP'(NP'), \quad T3: [X_{VP}, Y_{conj}, Z_{VP}]_{VP} \rightsquigarrow conj'(VP', VP'),$$

$$T4: [X_{V^t}, Y_{NP}]_{VP} \rightsquigarrow V^t'(NP')$$

- ▶ The lexical insertion rules will give us two items each for *is*, *and*, and *or*, corresponding to the two types we have given them.

word	type	term	case
BE _{pred}	$\iota \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \iota \rightarrow \text{prop}$	$\lambda P_{\iota \rightarrow \text{prop}}.P$	adjective
BE _{eq}	$\iota \rightarrow \iota \rightarrow \text{prop}$	$\lambda X_{\iota} Y_{\iota}.X = Y$	verb
and	$\text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop}$	$\vee!$	S-coord.
and	$\iota \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \iota \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \iota \rightarrow \text{prop}$	$\lambda F_{\iota \rightarrow \text{prop}} G_{\iota \rightarrow \text{prop}} X_{\iota}.F(X) \wedge G(X)$	VP-coord.
or	$\text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop}$	\vee	S-coord.
or	$\iota \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \iota \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \iota \rightarrow \text{prop}$	$\lambda F_{\iota \rightarrow \text{prop}} G_{\iota \rightarrow \text{prop}} X_{\iota}.F(X) \vee G(X)$	VP-coord.
didn't	$\iota \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \iota \rightarrow \text{prop}$	$\lambda P_{\iota \rightarrow \text{prop}} X_{\iota}.\neg P X$	

Need to assume the logical connectives as constants of the λ -calculus.

- ▶ **Note:** With these definitions, it is easy to restrict ourselves to binary branching in the syntax of the fragment.

► **Example 3.1.** *Ethel howled and screamed* to

$$\begin{aligned} & (\lambda F_{\iota \rightarrow \text{prop}} G_{\iota \rightarrow \text{prop}} X_{\iota}. F(X) \wedge G(X)) \text{ howls screams ethel} \\ \rightarrow_{\beta} & (\lambda G_{\iota \rightarrow \text{prop}} X_{\iota}. \text{howls}(X) \wedge G(X)) \text{ screams ethel} \\ \rightarrow_{\beta} & (\lambda X_{\iota}. \text{howls}(X) \wedge \text{screams}(X)) \text{ ethel} \\ \rightarrow_{\beta} & \text{howls(ethel)} \wedge \text{screams(ethel)} \end{aligned}$$

Higher-Order Logic without Quantifiers (HOL_{NQ})

- ▶ **Problem:** Need a logic like PL^{nq} , but with λ -terms to interpret \mathcal{F}_3 into.
- ▶ **Idea:** Re-use the syntactical framework of Λ^\rightarrow .
- ▶ **Definition 3.2.** Let HOL_{NQ} be an instance of Λ^\rightarrow , with $\mathcal{BT} = \{\iota, \text{prop}\}$, $\wedge \in \Sigma_{\text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop}}$, $\neg \in \Sigma_{\text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop}}$, and $= \in \Sigma_{\alpha \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \text{prop}}$ for all types α .
- ▶ **Idea:** To extend this to a semantics for HOL_{NQ} , we only have to say something about the base type prop , and the logical constants $\neg_{\text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop}}$, $\wedge_{\text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop}}$, and $=_{\alpha \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \text{prop}}$.
- ▶ **Definition 3.3.** We define the semantics of HOL_{NQ} by setting
 1. $\mathcal{D}_{\text{prop}} = \{\text{T}, \text{F}\}$; the set of truth values
 2. $\mathcal{I}(\neg) \in \mathcal{D}_{(\text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop})}$, is the function $\{\text{F} \mapsto \text{T}, \text{T} \mapsto \text{F}\}$
 3. $\mathcal{I}(\wedge) \in \mathcal{D}_{(\text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop})}$ is the function with $\mathcal{I}(\wedge) @ \langle a, b \rangle = \text{T}$, iff $a = \text{T}$ and $b = \text{T}$.
 4. $\mathcal{I}(=) \in \mathcal{D}_{(\alpha \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \text{prop})}$ is the identity relation on \mathcal{D}_α .

9.4 Simply Typed λ -Calculus

Simply typed λ -Calculus (Syntax)

► **Definition 4.1.** **Signature** $\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}} = \bigcup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{T}} \Sigma_{\alpha}$ (includes countably infinite signatures Σ_{α}^{Sk} of **Skolem constants**).

► $\mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}} = \bigcup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{T}} \mathcal{V}_{\alpha}$, such that \mathcal{V}_{α} are countably infinite.

► **Definition 4.2.** We call the set $wff_{\alpha}(\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}}, \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}})$ defined by the rules

► $\mathcal{V}_{\alpha} \cup \Sigma_{\alpha} \subseteq wff_{\alpha}(\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}}, \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}})$

► If $C \in wff_{\alpha \rightarrow \beta}(\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}}, \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}})$ and $A \in wff_{\alpha}(\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}}, \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}})$, then $C A \in wff_{\beta}(\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}}, \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}})$

► If $A \in wff_{\alpha}(\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}}, \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}})$, then $\lambda X_{\beta}. A \in wff_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha}(\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}}, \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}})$

the set of **well typed formulae** of type α over the signature $\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}}$ and use $wff_{\mathcal{T}}(\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}}, \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}}) := \bigcup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{T}} wff_{\alpha}(\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}}, \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}})$ for the set of all well-typed formulae.

► **Definition 4.3.** We will call all **occurrences** of the **variable** X in A **bound** in $\lambda X.A$. **Variables** that are not **bound** in B are called **free** in B .

► **Substitutions** are well typed, i.e. $\sigma(X_{\alpha}) \in wff_{\alpha}(\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}}, \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}})$ and **capture-avoiding**.

► **Definition 4.4 (Simply Typed λ -Calculus).** The **simply typed λ calculus** Λ^{\rightarrow} over a signature $\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}}$ has the formulae $wff_{\mathcal{T}}(\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}}, \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}})$ (they are called **λ -terms**) and the following equalities:

► **α conversion:** $(\lambda X.A) =_{\alpha} (\lambda Y.[Y/X](A))$.

► **β conversion:** $(\lambda X.A) B =_{\beta} [B/X](A)$.

► **η conversion:** $(\lambda X.A X) =_{\eta} A$ if $X \notin \text{free}(A)$.

Simply typed λ -Calculus (Notations)

► **Application is left-associative:**

We abbreviate $F A^1 A^2 \dots A^n$ with $F(A^1, \dots, A^n)$ eliding the brackets and further with $F \overline{A^n}$ in a kind of vector notation.

► **Andrews' dot Notation:** $A \cdot$ stands for a left bracket whose partner is as far right as is consistent with existing brackets; i.e. $A \cdot B C$ abbreviates $A (B C)$.

► **Abstraction is right-associative:**

We abbreviate $\lambda X^1. \lambda X^2. \dots \lambda X^n. A \dots$ with $\lambda X^1 \dots X^n. A$ eliding brackets, and further to $\lambda \overline{X^n}. A$ in a kind of vector notation.

► **Outer brackets:** Finally, we allow ourselves to elide outer brackets where they can be inferred.

- ▶ **Definition 4.5.** Reduction with $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} =_{\beta} : (\lambda X.A) B \rightarrow_{\beta} [B/X](A) \\ =_{\eta} : (\lambda X.A X) \rightarrow_{\eta} A \end{array} \right.$ under

$$=_{\alpha} : \begin{array}{l} \lambda X.A \\ \lambda Y.[Y/X](A) \end{array} =_{\alpha}$$

- ▶ **Theorem 4.6.** β -reduction is well-typed, terminating and confluent in the presence of α -conversion.
- ▶ **Definition 4.7 (Normal Form).** We call a λ -term A a **normal form** (in a reduction system \mathcal{E}), iff no rule (from \mathcal{E}) can be applied to A .
- ▶ **Corollary 4.8.** $=_{\beta\eta}$ -reduction yields unique normal forms (up to $=_{\alpha}$ -equivalence).

Syntactic Parts of λ -Terms

- ▶ **Definition 4.9 (Parts of λ -Terms).** We can always write a λ -term in the form $T = \lambda X^1 \dots X^k . H A^1 \dots A^n$, where H is not an application. We call
 - ▶ H the **syntactic head** of T
 - ▶ $H(A^1, \dots, A^n)$ the **matrix** of T , and
 - ▶ $\lambda X^1 \dots X^k$. (or the sequence X^1, \dots, X^k) the **binder** of T

- ▶ **Definition 4.10.**

Head reduction always has a unique β redex

$$(\lambda \overline{X^n} . \lambda Y . A(B^2, \dots, B^n)) \rightarrow_{\beta}^h (\lambda \overline{X^n} . [B^1 / Y](A)(B^2, \dots, B^n))$$

- ▶ **Theorem 4.11.** *The syntactic heads of β -normal forms are constant or variables.*
- ▶ **Definition 4.12.** Let A be a λ -term, then the syntactic head of the β -normal form of A is called the **head symbol** of A and written as $\text{head}(A)$. We call a λ -term a **j -projection**, iff its head is the j^{th} **bound variable**.
- ▶ **Definition 4.13.** We call a λ -term a **η long form**, iff its matrix has base type.
- ▶ **Definition 4.14.** **η Expansion** makes η long forms

$$\eta[(\lambda X^1 \dots X^n . A)] := (\lambda X^1 \dots X^n . \lambda Y^1 \dots Y^m . A(Y^1, \dots, Y^m))$$

- ▶ **Definition 4.15.** **Long $\beta\eta$ normal form**, iff it is β normal and η -long.

- ▶ **Definition 4.16.** We call a collection $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}} := \{\mathcal{D}_{\alpha} \mid \alpha \in \mathcal{T}\}$ a **typed collection** (of sets) and a collection $f_{\mathcal{T}}: \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{T}}$, a **typed function**, iff $f_{\alpha}: \mathcal{D}_{\alpha} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_{\alpha}$.
- ▶ **Definition 4.17.** A typed collection $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}$ is called a **frame**, iff
$$\mathcal{D}_{(\alpha \rightarrow \beta)} \subseteq \mathcal{D}_{\alpha} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{\beta}$$
- ▶ **Definition 4.18.** Given a frame $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}$, and a typed function $\mathcal{I}: \Sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$, then we call $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi}: \text{wff}_{\mathcal{T}}(\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}}, \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}}) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ the **value function** induced by \mathcal{I} , iff
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi} \upharpoonright_{\mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}}} = \varphi, \quad \mathcal{I}_{\varphi} \upharpoonright_{\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}}} = \mathcal{I}$
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi}(A B) = \mathcal{I}_{\varphi}(A)(\mathcal{I}_{\varphi}(B))$
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi}(\lambda X_{\alpha}. A)$ is that function $f \in \mathcal{D}_{(\alpha \rightarrow \beta)}$, such that $f(a) = \mathcal{I}_{(\varphi, [a/X])}(A)$ for all $a \in \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}$
- ▶ **Definition 4.19.** We call a frame $\langle \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{I} \rangle$ **comprehension closed** or a $\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}}$ -**algebra**, iff $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi}: \text{wff}_{\mathcal{T}}(\Sigma_{\mathcal{T}}, \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}}) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ is total. (every λ -term has a value)

- ▶ **Observation 1:** We we can reuse the lexicon theories from \mathcal{F}_1
- ▶ **Observation 2:** We we can even reuse the grammar theory from \mathcal{F}_1 , if we extend it in the obvious way (Mmt has all we need)

```
4 theory frag3log_be : ?plngd =  
5   include ?frag1log_be  
6   useVP : pred1 → pred1 | = [v] v  
7   useVPf : pred1 → t → o | = [v,x] v x  
8   and_VP : pred1 → pred1 → pred1 | = [a,b,x] a x ∧ b x  
9   or_VP : pred1 → pred1 → pred1 | = [a,b,x] a x ∨ b x  
10  not_VP : pred1 → pred1 | = [a,x] ¬ a x  
11  and_VPf : pred1 → pred1 → pred1 | = [a,b,x] a x ∧ b x  
12  or_VPf : pred1 → pred1 → pred1 | = [a,b,x] a x ∨ b x  
13  not_VPf : pred1 → pred1 | = [a,x] ¬ a x  
14
```

Chapter 10

Fragment 4: Noun Phrases and Quantification

10.1 Fragment 4

New Data (more Noun Phrases)

- ▶ We want to be able to deal with the following **sentences** (without the “the-NP” trick)
 1. *Peter loved the cat.*, but not * *Peter loved the the cat.*
 2. *John killed a cat with a white tail.*
 3. *Peter chased the gangster in the car.*
 4. *Peter loves every cat.*
 5. *Every man loves a woman.*

New Grammar in Fragment 4 (Common Noun Phrases)

► To account for the syntax we extend the functionality of **noun phrases**.

► **Definition 1.1.** \mathcal{F}_4 adds the rules on the right to \mathcal{F}_3 (on the left):

$S1: S \rightarrow NP, VP_{+fin}, S2: S \rightarrow S, Sconj,$

$V1: VP_{\pm fin} \rightarrow V_{\pm fin}^i, V2: VP_{\pm fin} \rightarrow V_{\pm fin}^t, CNP,$

$V3: VP_{\pm fin} \rightarrow VP_{\pm fin}, VPconj_{\pm fin},$

$V4: VP_{+fin} \rightarrow BE_{=}, NP,$

$V5: VP_{+fin} \rightarrow BE_{pred}, Adj,$

$V6: VP_{+fin} \rightarrow didn't, VP_{-fin}, N1: NP \rightarrow N_{pr},$

$N2: NP \rightarrow Pron$

$N3: NP \rightarrow DetCNP, N4: CNP \rightarrow N,$

$N5: CNP \rightarrow PP, N6: CNP \rightarrow Adj,$

$P1: PP \rightarrow P, NP, S3: Sconj \rightarrow conj, S,$

$V4: VPconj_{\pm fin} \rightarrow conj, VP_{\pm fin},$

$L1: P \rightarrow with | of | \dots$

► **Definition 1.2.** A **common noun** is a noun that describes a type, for example *woman*, or *philosophy* rather than an individual, such as *Amelia Earhart* (**proper name**).

Implementing Fragment 4 in GF (Grammar)

- ▶ The grammar of Fragment 4 only differs from that of Fragment 4 by
 - ▶ **common noun phrases**: `cat CNP; Npr; lincat CNP = NounPhraeType;`
 - ▶ **prepositional phrases** :
`cat PP; Det; Prep; lincat Npr, Det, Prep, PP = {s: Str}`
 - ▶ new grammar rules
- ▶ grammar rules for “special” words that might not belong into the lexicon

```
useDet : Det -> CNP -> NP; -- every book
useNpr : Npr -> NP; -- Bertie
useN : N -> CNP; -- book
usePrep : Prep -> NP -> PP; -- with a book
usePP : PP -> CNP -> CNP; -- teacher with a book
```

Abstract

```
with_Prep : Prep;
of_Prep : Prep;
the_Det : Det;
every_Det : Det;
a_Det : Det;
```

English

```
with_Prep = mkPrep "with";
of_Prep = mkPrep "of";
the_Det = mkDet "the";
every_Det = mkDet "every";
a_Det = mkDet "a";
```


Implementing Fragment 4 in GF (Grammar)

- ▶ English Paradigms to deal with (common) noun phrases
- ▶ Another case for mkNP

```
mkNP : Str -> (Case => Str) -> NP
      = \prefix,t -> lin NP { s = table { nom => prefix ++ t!nom;
                                          acc => prefix ++ t!acc}}};
```

```
mkNpr : Str -> Npr = \name -> lin Npr { s = name };
```

```
mkDet : Str -> Det = \every -> lin Det { s = every };
```

```
mkPrep : Str -> Prep = \p -> lin Prep { s = p };
```

```
mkPP : Str -> PP = \s -> lin PP { s = s };
```

```
mkCNP = overload {
```

```
  mkCNP : Str -> CNP
```

```
    = \book -> lin CNP { s = table { nom => book; acc => book } };
```

```
  mkCNP : (Case => Str) -> Str -> CNP
```

```
    = \t,suffix -> lin CNP { s = table { nom => (t!nom) ++ suffix;
                                          acc => (t!acc) ++ suffix}}};};
```

Translation of Determiners and Quantifiers

- ▶ **Idea:** We establish the semantics of quantifying determiners by $=_{\beta}$ -expansion.
 1. assume that we are translating into a λ -calculus with quantifiers and that $\forall X.\text{boy}(X) \Rightarrow \text{runs}(X)$ translates *Every boy runs*, and $\exists X.\text{boy}(X) \wedge \text{runs}(X)$ for *Some boy runs*
 2. $\forall := (\lambda P_{\iota \rightarrow \text{prop}} Q_{\iota \rightarrow \text{prop}}. (\forall. P(X) \Rightarrow Q(X)))$ for *every*. (subset relation)
 3. $\exists := (\lambda P_{\iota \rightarrow \text{prop}} Q_{\iota \rightarrow \text{prop}}. (\exists. P(X) \wedge Q(X)))$ for *some*. (nonempty intersection)
- ▶ **Problem:** Linguistic Quantifiers take two arguments (restriction and scope), logical ones only one! (in logics, restriction is the universal set)
- ▶ We cannot treat *the* with regular quantifiers (new logical constant; see below)
- ▶ **Definition 1.3.** We translate *the* to $\tau := (\lambda P_{\iota \rightarrow \text{prop}} Q_{\iota \rightarrow \text{prop}}. Q \iota P)$, where ι is a new operator that given a set returns its (unique) member.
- ▶ **Example 1.4.** This translates *The pope spoke* to $\tau(\text{pope}, \text{speaks})$, which $=_{\beta}$ -reduces to $\text{speaks}(\iota \text{ pope})$.

10.2 Inference for Fragment 4

10.2.1 Quantifiers and Equality in Higher-Order Logic

Higher-Order Abstract Syntax

- ▶ **Idea:** In HOL^{\rightarrow} , we already have variable binder: λ , use that to treat quantification.
- ▶ **Definition 2.1.** We assume logical constants Π^{α} and σ^{α} of type $\alpha \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop}$.
Regain **quantifiers** as abbreviations:

$$(\forall X_{\alpha}.A) := \Pi^{\alpha} (\lambda X_{\alpha}.A) \quad (\exists X_{\alpha}.A) := \sigma^{\alpha} (\lambda X_{\alpha}.A)$$

- ▶ **Definition 2.2.** We must fix the semantics of logical constants:
 1. $\mathcal{I}(\Pi^{\alpha})(p) = \top$, iff $p(a) = \top$ for all $a \in \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}$ (i.e. if p is the universal set)
 2. $\mathcal{I}(\sigma^{\alpha})(p) = \top$, iff $p(a) = \top$ for some $a \in \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}$ (i.e. iff p is non-empty)
- ▶ With this, we re-obtain the semantics we have given for **quantifiers** above:

$$\mathcal{I}_{\varphi}(\forall X_{\iota}.A) = \mathcal{I}_{\varphi}(\Pi^{\iota} (\lambda X_{\iota}.A)) = \mathcal{I}(\Pi^{\iota})(\mathcal{I}_{\varphi}(\lambda X_{\iota}.A)) = \top$$

$$\text{iff } \mathcal{I}_{\varphi}(\lambda X_{\iota}.A)(a) = \mathcal{I}_{([a/X]_{\varphi})}(A) = \top \text{ for all } a \in \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}$$

Equality

- ▶ **Definition 2.3 (Leibniz equality).** $Q^\alpha A_\alpha B_\alpha = \forall P_{\alpha \rightarrow \text{prop}}. PA \Leftrightarrow PB$
(indiscernability)
- ▶ **Note:** $\forall P_{\alpha \rightarrow \text{prop}}. PA \Rightarrow PB$ (get the other direction by instantiating P with Q , where $QX \Leftrightarrow (\neg PX)$)
- ▶ **Theorem 2.4.** If $\mathcal{M} = \langle \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{I} \rangle$ is a standard model, then $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(Q^\alpha)$ is the identity relation on \mathcal{D}_α .
- ▶ **Definition 2.5 (Notation).** We write $A = B$ for QAB (A and B are equal, iff there is no property P that can tell them apart.)
- ▶ **Proof:**
 1. $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(QAB) = \mathcal{I}_\varphi(\forall P. PA \Rightarrow PB) = \mathbf{T}$, iff $\mathcal{I}_{(\varphi, [r/P])}(PA \Rightarrow PB) = \mathbf{T}$ for all $r \in \mathcal{D}_{(\alpha \rightarrow \text{prop})}$.
 2. For $A = B$ we have $\mathcal{I}_{(\varphi, [r/P])}(PA) = r(\mathcal{I}_\varphi(A)) = \mathbf{F}$ or $\mathcal{I}_{(\varphi, [r/P])}(PB) = r(\mathcal{I}_\varphi(B)) = \mathbf{T}$.
 3. Thus $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(QAB) = \mathbf{T}$.
 4. Let $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(A) \neq \mathcal{I}_\varphi(B)$ and $r = \{\mathcal{I}_\varphi(A)\} \in \mathcal{D}_{(\alpha \rightarrow \text{prop})}$ (exists in a standard model)
 5. so $r(\mathcal{I}_\varphi(A)) = \mathbf{T}$ and $r(\mathcal{I}_\varphi(B)) = \mathbf{F}$
 6. $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(QAB) = \mathbf{F}$, as $\mathcal{I}_{(\varphi, [r/P])}(PA \Rightarrow PB) = \mathbf{F}$, since $\mathcal{I}_{(\varphi, [r/P])}(PA) = r(\mathcal{I}_\varphi(A)) = \mathbf{T}$ and $\mathcal{I}_{(\varphi, [r/P])}(PB) = r(\mathcal{I}_\varphi(B)) = \mathbf{F}$.

Alternative: HOL^∞

- **Definition 2.6.** There is only one logical constant in HOL^∞ : $q^\alpha \in \Sigma_{\alpha \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \text{prop}}$ with $\mathcal{I}(q^\alpha)(a, b) = \top$, iff $a = b$.

We define the rest as below: Definitions (D) and Notations (N)

N	$A_\alpha = B_\alpha$	for	$q^\alpha A_\alpha B_\alpha$
D	T	for	$q^{\text{prop}} = q^{\text{prop}}$
D	F	for	$\lambda X_{\text{prop}}. T = \lambda X_{\text{prop}}. X_{\text{prop}}$
D	\prod^α	for	$q^{\alpha \rightarrow \text{prop}} (\lambda X_\alpha. T)$
N	$\forall X_\alpha. A$	for	$\prod^\alpha (\lambda X_\alpha. A)$
D	\wedge	for	$\lambda X_{\text{prop}}. \lambda Y_{\text{prop}}. (\lambda G_{\text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop}}. G T T = \lambda G_{\text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop}})$
N	$A \wedge B$	for	$\wedge (A_{\text{prop}}) (B_{\text{prop}})$
D	\Rightarrow	for	$\lambda X_{\text{prop}}. \lambda Y_{\text{prop}}. (X = X \wedge Y)$
N	$A \Rightarrow B$	for	$\Rightarrow (A_{\text{prop}}) (B_{\text{prop}})$
D	\neg	for	$q^{\text{prop}} F$
D	\vee	for	$\lambda X_{\text{prop}}. \lambda Y_{\text{prop}}. \neg(\neg X \wedge \neg Y)$
N	$A \vee B$	for	$\vee (A_{\text{prop}}) (B_{\text{prop}})$
D	$\exists X_\alpha. A_{\text{prop}}$	for	$\neg(\forall X_\alpha. \neg A)$
N	$A_\alpha \neq B_\alpha$	for	$\neg q^\alpha (A_\alpha) (B_\alpha)$

- yield the intuitive meanings for connectives and quantifiers.

- ▶ **Problem:** What about *Most boys run.*: linguistically *most* behaves exactly like *every* or *some*.
- ▶ **Idea:** *Most boys run* is true just in case the number of boys who run is greater than the number of boys who do not run.

$$\#(\mathcal{I}_\varphi(\text{boy}) \cap \mathcal{I}_\varphi(\text{runs})) > \#(\mathcal{I}_\varphi(\text{boy}) \setminus \mathcal{I}_\varphi(\text{runs}))$$

- ▶ **Definition 2.7.** $\#(A) > \#(B)$, iff there is no surjective function from B to A , so we can define

$$\text{most}' := (\lambda AB. \neg(\exists F. \forall X. A(X) \wedge \neg B(X) \Rightarrow (\exists Y. A(Y) \wedge B(Y) \wedge X = F(Y))))$$

Back to *every* and *some* (set characterization)

- ▶ We can now give an explicit set characterization of *every* and *some*:
 1. *every* denotes $\{\langle X, Y \rangle \mid X \subseteq Y\}$
 2. *some* denotes $\{\langle X, Y \rangle \mid X \cap Y \neq \emptyset\}$
- ▶ The denotations can be given in equivalent function terms, as demonstrated above with the denotation of *most*.

10.2.2 Model Generation with Definite Descriptions

Semantics of Definite Descriptions

- ▶ **Problem:** We need a semantics for the determiner *the*, as in *the boy runs*
- ▶ **Idea (Type):** *the boy* behaves like a proper name (e.g. *Peter*), i.e. has type ι . Applying *the* to a noun (type $\iota \rightarrow \text{prop}$) yields ι . So *the* has type $\alpha \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \alpha$, i.e. it takes a set as argument.
- ▶ **Idea (Semantics):** *the* has the fixed semantics that this function returns the single member of its argument if the argument is a singleton, and is otherwise undefined. (new logical constant)
- ▶ **Definition 2.8.** We introduce a new logical constant ι . $\mathcal{I}(\iota)$ is the function $f \in \mathcal{D}_{(\alpha \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \alpha)}$, such that $f(s) = a$, iff $s \in \mathcal{D}_{(\alpha \rightarrow \text{prop})}$ is the singleton $\{a\}$, and is otherwise undefined. (remember that we can interpret predicates as sets)
- ▶ **Axioms for ι :**

$$\forall X_{\alpha}. X = \iota = X$$
$$\forall P, Q. Q(\iota P) \wedge (\forall X, Y. P(X) \wedge P(Y) \Rightarrow X = Y) \Rightarrow (\forall Z. P(Z) \Rightarrow Q(Z))$$

More Operators and Axioms for HOL \rightarrow

- ▶ **Definition 2.9.** The **unary conditional** $w^\alpha \in \Sigma_{\text{prop} \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \alpha}$
 $w (A_{\text{prop}}) B_\alpha$ means: “If A, then B”.
- ▶ **Definition 2.10.** The **binary conditional** $\text{if}^\alpha \in \Sigma_{\text{prop} \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \alpha}$
 $\text{if} (A_{\text{prop}}) (B_\alpha) (C_\alpha)$ means: “if A, then B else C”.
- ▶ **Definition 2.11.** The **description operator** $\iota^\alpha \in \Sigma_{\alpha \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \alpha}$
if P is a **singleton** set, then $\iota (P_{\alpha \rightarrow \text{prop}})$ is the (unique) **element** in P.
- ▶ **Definition 2.12.** The **choice operator** $\gamma^\alpha \in \Sigma_{\alpha \rightarrow \text{prop} \rightarrow \alpha}$
if P is non-empty, then $\gamma (P_{\alpha \rightarrow \text{prop}})$ is an arbitrary **element** from P.
- ▶ **Definition 2.13 (Axioms for these Operators).**
 - ▶ **unary conditional:** $\forall \varphi_{\text{prop}}. \forall X_\alpha. \varphi \Rightarrow w \varphi X = X$
 - ▶ **binary conditional:** $\forall \varphi_{\text{prop}}. \forall X_\alpha, Y_\alpha, Z_\alpha. (\varphi \Rightarrow \text{if } \varphi X Y = X) \wedge (\neg \varphi \Rightarrow \text{if } \varphi Z X = X)$
 - ▶ **description operator** $\forall P_{\alpha \rightarrow \text{prop}}. (\exists^1 X_\alpha. PX) \Rightarrow (\forall Y_\alpha. PY \Rightarrow \iota P = Y)$
 - ▶ **choice operator** $\forall P_{\alpha \rightarrow \text{prop}}. (\exists X_\alpha. PX) \Rightarrow (\forall Y_\alpha. PY \Rightarrow \gamma P = Y)$
- ▶ **Idea:** These operators ensure a much larger supply of functions in Henkin models.

- ▶ ι is a weak form of the choice operator. (only works on singletons)
- ▶ Alternative Axiom of Descriptions: $\forall X_{\alpha}.\iota^{\alpha} = X = X$.
 - ▶ use that $\mathcal{I}_{[a/X]}(= X) = \{a\}$
 - ▶ we only need this for base types $\neq \text{prop}$
 - ▶ Define $\iota^{\text{PROP}} := (\lambda X_{\text{PROP}}.X)$ or $\iota^{\text{PROP}} := (\lambda G_{\text{PROP} \rightarrow \text{PROP}}.G T)$ or $\iota^{\text{PROP}} := = T$
 - ▶ $\iota^{(\alpha \rightarrow \beta)} := (\lambda H_{\alpha \rightarrow \beta \rightarrow \text{PROP}}.X_{\alpha}.\iota^{\beta} (\lambda Z_{\beta}.\exists F_{\alpha \rightarrow \beta}.H F \wedge F X = Z))$

A Model Generation Rule for ι

► **Definition 2.14.**

$$\frac{P(c)^{\top} \quad Q(\iota P)^{\alpha} \quad \mathcal{H} = \{c, a_1, \dots, a_n\}}{Q(c)^{\alpha} \quad (P(a_1) \Rightarrow c = a_1)^{\top} \quad \vdots \quad (P(a_n) \Rightarrow c = a_n)^{\top}} \text{RM}_{\iota}$$

- **Intuition:** If we have a member c of P and $Q(\iota P)$ is defined (it has truth value $\alpha \in \{T, F\}$), then P must be a **singleton** (i.e. all other members X of P are identical to c) and Q must hold on c . So the rule RM_{ι} forces it to be by making all other members of P equal to c .

Mary owned a lousy computer. The hard drive crashed.

$(\forall X.\text{computer}(X) \Rightarrow (\exists Y.\text{harddrive}(Y) \wedge \text{partof}(Y, X)))^T$

$(\exists X.\text{computer}(X) \wedge \text{lousy}(X) \wedge \text{own}(\text{mary}, X))^T$

$\text{computer}(c)^T$

$\text{lousy}(c)^T$

$\text{own}(\text{mary}, c)^T$

$\text{harddrive}(c)^T$

$\text{partof}(c, c)^T$

\vdots

\perp

$\text{harddrive}(d)^T$

$\text{partof}(d, c)^T$

$\text{crashes}(\iota \text{harddrive})^T$

$\text{crashes}(d)^T$

$(\text{harddrive}(\text{mary}) \Rightarrow \text{mary} = d)^T$

$(\text{harddrive}(c) \Rightarrow c = d)^T$

Another Example *The dog barks*

- ▶ In a situation, where there are two dogs: Fido and Chester

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{dog(fido)}^T \\ \text{dog(chester)}^T \\ \boxed{\text{bark}(\iota \text{ dog})} \\ \text{bark(fido)}^T \end{array} \quad (1)$$
$$\begin{array}{c} (\text{dog(chester)} \Rightarrow \text{chester} = \text{fido})^T \\ \text{dog(chester)}^F \quad | \quad \text{chester} = \text{fido}^T \\ \perp \end{array}$$

- ▶ Note that none of our rules allows us to close the right branch, since we do not know that Fido and Chester are distinct. Indeed, they could be the same dog (with two different names). But we can eliminate this possibility by adopting a new assumption.

10.2.3 Model Generation with Unique Name Assumptions

Model Generation with Unique Name Assumption (UNA)

- ▶ **Problem:** Names are unique usually in natural language
- ▶ **Definition 2.15.** The **unique name assumption (UNA)** makes the assumption that names are unique (in the respective context)
- ▶ **Idea:** Add background knowledge of the form $n = m^F$ (n and m names)
- ▶ **Better Idea:** Build UNA into the calculus: partition the Herbrand base $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{U} \cup \mathcal{W}$ into subsets \mathcal{U} for constants with a UNA, and \mathcal{W} without. (treat them differently)
- ▶ **Definition 2.16 (Model Generation with UNA).** We add the following two rules to the RM calculus to deal with the unique name assumption.

$$\frac{a = b^T \quad A^\alpha \quad a \in \mathcal{W} \quad b \in \mathcal{H}}{([b/a](A))^\alpha} \text{RM subst} \qquad \frac{a = b^T \quad a, b \in \mathcal{U}}{\perp} \text{RM una}$$

Solving a Crime with Unique Names

- **Example 2.17.** Tony has observed (at most) two people. Tony observed a murderer that had black hair. It turns out that Bill and Bob were the two people Tony observed. Bill is blond, and Bob has black hair. (Who was the murderer.) Let $\mathcal{U} = \{\text{Bill}, \text{Bob}\}$ and $\mathcal{W} = \{\text{murderer}\}$:

$$\begin{aligned} & (\forall z. \text{observes}(\text{Tony}, z) \Rightarrow (z = \text{Bill} \vee z = \text{Bob}))^T \\ & \quad \text{observes}(\text{Tony}, \text{Bill})^T \\ & \quad \text{observes}(\text{Tony}, \text{Bob})^T \\ & \quad \text{observes}(\text{Tony}, \text{murderer})^T \\ & \quad \text{black_hair}(\text{murderer})^T \\ & \quad \neg \text{black_hair}(\text{Bill})^T \\ & \quad \text{black_hair}(\text{Bill})^F \\ & \quad \text{black_hair}(\text{Bob})^T \\ & (\text{observes}(\text{Tony}, \text{murderer}) \Rightarrow (\text{murderer} = \text{Bill} \vee \text{murderer} = \text{Bob}))^T \\ & \quad (\text{murderer} = \text{Bill} \vee \text{murderer} = \text{Bob})^T \\ & \quad \text{murderer} = \text{Bill}^T \quad | \quad \text{murderer} = \text{Bob}^T \\ & \quad \text{black_hair}(\text{Bill})^T \\ & \quad \perp \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Interpret “the” as $\lambda PQ.Q \iota P \wedge \text{uniq}(P)$
where $\text{uniq} := (\lambda P. (\exists X. P(X) \wedge (\forall Y. P(Y) \Rightarrow X = Y)))$
and $\mathbb{W} := (\lambda PQ. (\forall X. P(X) \Rightarrow Q(X)))$.
 - ▶ “the rabbit is cute”, has logical form $\text{uniq}(\text{rabbit}) \wedge (\text{rabbit} \subseteq \text{cute})$.
 - ▶ RM generates $\{ \dots, \text{rabbit}(c), \text{cute}(c) \}$ in situations with at most 1 rabbit.
(special $RM \exists$ rule yields identification and accommodation (c^{new}))
 - + At last an approach that takes world knowledge into account!
 - tractable only for toy *discourses*/ontologies
The world cup final was watched on TV by 7 million people.
A rabbit is in the garden.
- $$\forall X. \text{human}(x) \exists Y. \text{human}(X) \wedge \text{father}(X, Y) \quad \forall X, Y. \text{father}(X, Y) \Rightarrow X \neq Y$$

- ▶ **Problem:** What about two rabbits?
Bugs and Bunny are rabbits. Bugs is in the hat. Jon removes the rabbit from the hat.
- ▶ **Idea: Uniqueness under Scope [Gardent & Konrad '99]:**
 - ▶ refine *the* to $\lambda PRQ.\text{uniq}(P \cap R \wedge \forall (P \cap R, Q))$
where R is an “identifying property” (identified from the context and passed as an argument to *the*)
 - ▶ here R is “being in the hat” (by world knowledge about removing)
 - ▶ makes Bugs unique (in $P \cap R$) and the discourse acceptable.
- ▶ **Idea:** [Hobbs & Stickel&...]:
 - ▶ use generic relation *rel* for “relatedness to context” for P^2 .
- ?? Is there a general theory of relatedness?

10.3 Davidsonian Semantics: Treating Verb Modifiers

- ▶ **Problem:** How to deal with argument structure of (action verbs) and their modifiers

- ▶ *John killed a cat with a hammer.*

- ▶ **Idea:** Just add an argument to *kills* for express the means

- ▶ **Problem:** But there may be more modifiers

1. *Peter killed the cat in the bathroom with a hammer.*

2. *Peter killed the cat in the bathroom with a hammer at midnight.*

So we would need a lot of different predicates for the verb *killed*. (impractical)

- ▶ **Definition 3.1.** In **event semantics** we extend the argument structure of (action) verbs contains a 'hidden' argument, the **event argument**, then treat modifiers as **predicates** (often called **roles**) over **events** [Dav67a].

- ▶ **Example 3.2.**

1. $\exists e. \exists x, y. \text{bathroom}(x) \wedge \text{hammer}(y) \wedge \text{kill}(e, \text{peter}, \iota \text{cat}) \wedge \text{in}(e, x) \wedge \text{with}(e, y)$

2. $\exists e. \exists x, y. \text{bathroom}(x) \wedge \text{hammer}(y) \wedge \text{kill}(e, \text{peter}, \iota \text{cat}) \wedge \text{in}(e, x) \wedge \text{with}(e, y) \wedge \text{at}(e, 24 : 00)$

Event semantics: Neo-Davidsonian Systems

- ▶ **Idea:** Take apart the Davidsonian predicates even further, add event participants via thematic roles (from [Par90]).
- ▶ **Definition 3.3.** Neo-Davidsonian semantics extends event semantics by adding two standardized roles: the agent $ag(e, s)$ and the patient $pat(e, o)$ for the subject s and direct object d of the event e .
- ▶ **Example 3.4.** Translate *John killed a cat with a hammer.* as $\exists e. \exists x. hammer(x) \wedge killing(e) \wedge ag(e, peter) \wedge pat(e, \iota cat) \wedge with(e, x)$
- ▶ **Further Elaboration:** Events can be broken down into sub-events and modifiers can predicate over sub-events.
- ▶ **Example 3.5.** The “process” of climbing Mt. Everest starts with the “event” of (optimistically) leaving the base camp and culminates with the “achievement” of reaching the summit (being completely exhausted).
- ▶ **Note:** This system can get by without functions, and only needs unary and binary predicates. (well-suited for model generation)

Event types and properties of events

- ▶ **Example 3.6 (Problem).** Some (temporal) modifiers are incompatible with some events, e.g. in English progressive:
 1. *He is eating a sandwich* and *He is pushing the cart.*, but not
 2. * *He is being tall.* or * *He is finding a coin.*
- ▶ **Definition 3.7 (Types of Events).** There are different types of events that go with different temporal modifiers. [Ven57] distinguishes
 1. **states**: e.g. *know the answer*, *stand in the corner*
 2. **processes**: e.g. *run*, *eat*, *eat apples*, *eat soup*
 3. **accomplishments**: e.g. *run a mile*, *eat an apple*, and
 4. **achievements**: e.g. *reach the summit*
- ▶ **Observations:**
 1. **processes** and **accomplishments** appear in the progressive (1),
 2. **states** and **achievements** do not (2).
- ▶ **Definition 3.8.** The **in test**
 1. **states** and **activities**, but not **accomplishments** and **achievements** are compatible with *for*-adverbials
 2. whereas the opposite holds for *in*-adverbials (5).
- ▶ **Example 3.9.**
 1. *run a mile in an hour* vs. * *run a mile for an hour*, but
 2. * *reach the summit for an hour* vs *reach the summit in an hour*

Chapter 11

Davidsonian Semantics: Treating Verb Modifiers

- ▶ **Problem:** How to deal with argument structure of (action verbs) and their modifiers

- ▶ *John killed a cat with a hammer.*

- ▶ **Idea:** Just add an argument to *kills* for express the means

- ▶ **Problem:** But there may be more modifiers

1. *Peter killed the cat in the bathroom with a hammer.*

2. *Peter killed the cat in the bathroom with a hammer at midnight.*

So we would need a lot of different predicates for the verb *killed*. (impractical)

- ▶ **Definition 0.1.** In **event semantics** we extend the argument structure of (action) verbs contains a 'hidden' argument, the **event argument**, then treat modifiers as **predicates** (often called **roles**) over **events** [Dav67a].

- ▶ **Example 0.2.**

1. $\exists e. \exists x, y. \text{bathroom}(x) \wedge \text{hammer}(y) \wedge \text{kill}(e, \text{peter}, \iota \text{cat}) \wedge \text{in}(e, x) \wedge \text{with}(e, y)$

2. $\exists e. \exists x, y. \text{bathroom}(x) \wedge \text{hammer}(y) \wedge \text{kill}(e, \text{peter}, \iota \text{cat}) \wedge \text{in}(e, x) \wedge \text{with}(e, y) \wedge \text{at}(e, 24 : 00)$

- ▶ **Idea:** Take apart the Davidsonian predicates even further, add event participants via thematic roles (from [Par90]).
- ▶ **Definition 0.3.** Neo-Davidsonian semantics extends event semantics by adding two standardized roles: the agent $ag(e, s)$ and the patient $pat(e, o)$ for the subject s and direct object d of the event e .
- ▶ **Example 0.4.** Translate *John killed a cat with a hammer.* as $\exists e. \exists x. hammer(x) \wedge killing(e) \wedge ag(e, peter) \wedge pat(e, \iota cat) \wedge with(e, x)$
- ▶ **Further Elaboration:** Events can be broken down into sub-events and modifiers can predicate over sub-events.
- ▶ **Example 0.5.** The “process” of climbing Mt. Everest starts with the “event” of (optimistically) leaving the base camp and culminates with the “achievement” of reaching the summit (being completely exhausted).
- ▶ **Note:** This system can get by without functions, and only needs unary and binary predicates. (well-suited for model generation)

Event types and properties of events

- ▶ **Example 0.6 (Problem).** Some (temporal) modifiers are incompatible with some events, e.g. in English progressive:
 1. *He is eating a sandwich* and *He is pushing the cart.*, but not
 2. * *He is being tall.* or * *He is finding a coin.*
- ▶ **Definition 0.7 (Types of Events).** There are different types of events that go with different temporal modifiers. [Ven57] distinguishes
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Part 2

Topics in Semantics

Chapter 12

Dynamic Approaches to NL Semantics

12.1 Discourse Representation Theory

- ▶ **Observation:** We have concentrated on single sentences so far; let's do better.
- ▶ **Definition 1.1.** A **discourse** is a unit of **natural language** longer than a single sentence.
- ▶ **New Data:** **discourses** interact with anaphora.:
 - ▶ *Peter¹ is sleeping. He₁ is snoring.* (normal anaphoric reference)
 - ▶ *A man¹ is sleeping. He₁ is snoring.* (Scope of existential?)
 - ▶ *Peter has a car¹. It₁ is parked outside.* (even if this worked)
 - ▶ ** Peter has no car¹. It₁ is parked outside.* (what about negation?)
 - ▶ *There is a book¹ that Peter does not own. It₁ is a novel.* (OK)
 - ▶ ** Peter does not own every book¹. It₁ is a novel.* (equivalent in PL¹)
 - ▶ *If a farmer¹ owns a donkey₂, he₁ beats it₂.* (even inside sentences)

- ▶ **Problem:** E.g. Quantifier Scope
 - ▶ * *A man sleeps. He snores.*
 - ▶ $(\exists X.\text{man}(X) \wedge \text{sleeps}(X)) \wedge \text{snores}(X)$
 - ▶ X is **bound** in the first **conjunct**, and **free** in the second.
- ▶ **Problem:** **donkey sentence:** *If a farmer owns a donkey, he beats it.*
 $\forall X, Y.\text{farmer}(X) \wedge \text{donkey}(Y) \wedge \text{own}(X, Y) \Rightarrow \text{beat}(X, Y)$
- ▶ **Ideas:**
 - ▶ Composition of **sentences** by **conjunction** inside the scope of **existential quantifiers** (**non-compositional**, ...)
 - ▶ Extend the scope of **quantifiers** dynamically (DPL)
 - ▶ Replace **existential quantifiers** by something else (DRT)

Discourse Representation Theory (DRT)

- ▶ **Definition 1.2.** Discourse Representation Theory (DRT) is a logical system, which uses discourse referents to model quantification and pronouns. DRT formulae are called discourse representation structure (DRS); these introduce a set of discourse referents and specify their meaning by conditions:

- ▶ atomic propositions,
- ▶ dynamic negations $\neg D$,
- ▶ dynamic implications $D \Rightarrow E$, and
- ▶ dynamic disjunctions $D \vee E$.

- ▶ Discourse referents e.g. in *A student owns a book.*

- ▶ are kept in a dynamic context (\rightsquigarrow accessibility)

- ▶ are declared e.g. in indefinite nominals

- ▶ specified in conditions via predicates

- ▶ Discourse representation structures (DRS)

A student owns a book. He reads it. If a farmer owns a donkey, he beats it.

X, Y
student(X)
book(Y)
own(X, Y)

X, Y, R, S
student(X)
book(Y)
own(X, Y)
read(R, S)
$X = R$
$Y = S$

X, Y		
farmer(X)		
donkey(Y)		
own(X, Y)	\Rightarrow <table border="1"><tr><td>beat(X, Y)</td></tr></table>	beat(X, Y)
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Discourse DRS Construction

- ▶ **Problem:** How do we construct DRSes for multi-sentence discourses?
- ▶ **Solution:** We construct sentence DRSes individually and merge them (DRSes and conditions separately)
- ▶ **Example 1.3.** A three-sentence discourse. (not quite Shakespeare)

Mary sees John. John kills a cat. Mary calls a cop.

see(mary, john)

U
cat(U) kills(john, U)

V
policeman(V) calls(mary, V)

merge

U, V
see(mary, john) cat(U) kills(john, U) policeman(V) calls(mary, V)

- ▶ Sentence composition via the DRT Merge Operator \otimes . (acts on DRSes)

Anaphor Resolution in DRT

- ▶ **Problem:** How do we resolve anaphora in DRT?
- ▶ **Solution:** Two phases
 - ▶ translate pronouns into discourse referents (semantics construction)
 - ▶ identify (equate) coreferring discourse referents, (maybe) simplify (semantic/pragmatic analysis)
- ▶ **Example 1.4.** *A student owns a book. He reads it.*

A student¹ owns a book². He₁ reads it₂

X, Y, R, S
student(X)
book(Y)
read(R, S)

resolution
X, Y, R, S
student(X)
book(Y)
read(R, S)
$X = R$
$Y = S$

simplify
X, Y
student(X)
book(Y)
read(X, Y)

- ▶ **Definition 1.5.** Given a set \mathcal{DR} of **discourse referents**, **discourse representation structure (DRSes)** are given by the following grammar:

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{conditions} \quad \mathcal{C} ::= p(a_1, \dots, a_n) \mid \mathcal{C}_1 \wedge \mathcal{C}_2 \mid \neg \mathcal{D} \mid \mathcal{D}_1 \vee \mathcal{D}_2 \mid \mathcal{D}_1 \Rightarrow \mathcal{D}_2 \\ \text{DRSes} \quad \mathcal{D} ::= \delta U^1, \dots, U^n. \mathcal{C} \mid \mathcal{D}_1 \otimes \mathcal{D}_2 \mid \mathcal{D}_1 ;; \mathcal{D}_2 \end{array}$$

- ▶ \otimes and $;;$ are for **sentence composition** (\otimes from DRT, $;;$ from DPL)
- ▶ **Example 1.6.** $\delta U, V. \text{farmer}(U) \wedge \text{donkey}(V) \wedge \text{own}(U, V) \wedge \text{beat}(U, V)$
- ▶ **Definition 1.7.** The **meaning** of \otimes and $;;$ is given operationally by $=_{\tau}$ **Equality**:

$$\begin{array}{l} \delta \mathcal{X}. \mathcal{C}_1 \otimes \delta \mathcal{Y}. \mathcal{C}_2 \quad \rightarrow_{\tau} \quad \delta \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}. \mathcal{C}_1 \wedge \mathcal{C}_2 \\ \delta \mathcal{X}. \mathcal{C}_1 ;; \delta \mathcal{Y}. \mathcal{C}_2 \quad \rightarrow_{\tau} \quad \delta \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}. \mathcal{C}_1 \wedge \mathcal{C}_2 \end{array}$$

- ▶ **Discourse referents** used instead of **bound variables**. (specify scoping independently of logic)
- ▶ **Idea:** Semantics inherited from first-order logic by a translation mapping.

Sub DRSes and Accessibility

- ▶ **Problem:** How can we formally define accessibility. (to make predictions)
- ▶ **Idea:** Make use of the structural properties of DRT.
- ▶ **Definition 1.8.** A referent is accessible in all sub DRS of the declaring DRS.
 - ▶ If $\mathcal{D} = \delta U^1, \dots, U^n.C$, then any sub DRS of C is a sub DRS of \mathcal{D} .
 - ▶ If $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{D}^1 \otimes \mathcal{D}^2$, then \mathcal{D}^1 is a sub DRS of \mathcal{D}^2 and vice versa.
 - ▶ If $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{D}^1 ; \mathcal{D}^2$, then \mathcal{D}^2 is a sub DRS of \mathcal{D}^1 .
 - ▶ If C is of the form $C^1 \wedge C^2$, or $\neg D$, or $\mathcal{D}^1 \vee \mathcal{D}^2$, or $\mathcal{D}^1 \Rightarrow \mathcal{D}^2$, then any sub DRS of the C^i , and the \mathcal{D}^i is a sub DRS of C .
 - ▶ If $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{D}^1 \Rightarrow \mathcal{D}^2$, then \mathcal{D}^2 is a sub DRS of \mathcal{D}^1
- ▶ **Definition 1.9 (Dynamic Potential).** (which referents can be picked up?) A referent U is in the dynamic potential of a DRS \mathcal{D} , iff it is accessible in

$\mathcal{D} \otimes$
$p(U)$
- ▶ **Definition 1.10.** We call a DRS static, iff the dynamic potential is empty, and dynamic, if it is not.

- ▶ **Observation:** Accessibility gives DRSes the flavor of binding structures. (with non-standard scoping!)
- ▶ **Idea:** Apply the usual binding heuristics to DRT, e.g.
 - ▶ reject DRSes with unbound discourse referents.
- ▶ **Questions:** if view of discourse referents as “nonstandard bound variables”
 - ▶ what about renaming referents?

Translation from DRT to FOL

- **Definition 1.11.** For $=_{\tau}$ -normal (fully merged) DRSEs use the translation $\bar{\cdot}$:

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{\delta U^1, \dots, U^n.C} &= \exists U^1, \dots, U^n. \bar{C} \\ \overline{\neg D} &= \neg \bar{D} \\ \overline{D \forall E} &= \bar{D} \forall \bar{E} \\ \overline{D \wedge E} &= \bar{D} \wedge \bar{E} \\ \overline{(\delta U^1, \dots, U^n.C_1) \Rightarrow (\delta V^1, \dots, V^n.C_2)} &= \forall U^1, \dots, U^n. \bar{C}_1 \Rightarrow (\exists V^1, \dots, V^n. \bar{C}_2)\end{aligned}$$

- **Example 1.12.**

X, Y
student(X)
book(Y)
own(X, Y)

 = $\exists X. \exists Y. \text{student}(X) \wedge \text{book}(Y) \wedge \text{own}(X, Y)$.

- **Example 1.13.**

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{(\delta U, V. \text{farmer}(U) \wedge \text{donkey}(V) \wedge \text{own}(U, V)) \Rightarrow (\delta W. \text{stick}(W) \wedge \text{beatwith}(U, V, W))} \\ = \forall X, Y. \text{farmer}(X) \wedge \text{donkey}(X) \wedge \text{own}(X, Y) \Rightarrow (\exists Z. \text{stick}(Z) \wedge \text{beatwith}(Z, X, Y))\end{aligned}$$

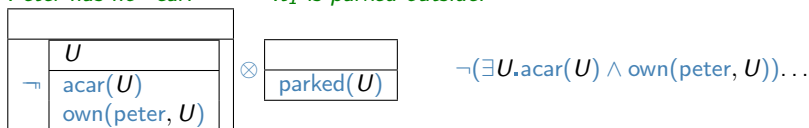
- **Consequence:** Validity of DRSEs can be checked by translation.
- **Question:** Why not use first-order logic directly?
- **Answer:** Only translate at the end of a discourse (translation closes all dynamic contexts: frequent re-translation).

Properties of Dynamic Scope

- ▶ **Idea:** Test DRT on the data above for the dynamic phenomena

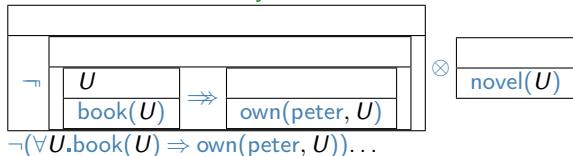
- ▶ **Example 1.14 (Negation Closes Dynamic Potential).**

Peter has no¹ car. * *It₁ is parked outside.*



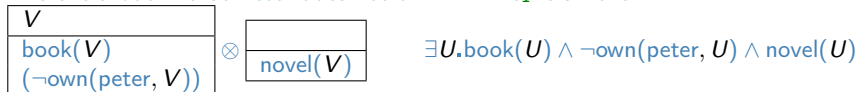
- ▶ **Example 1.15 (Universal Quantification is Static).**

Peter does not own every book¹. * *It₁ is a novel.*



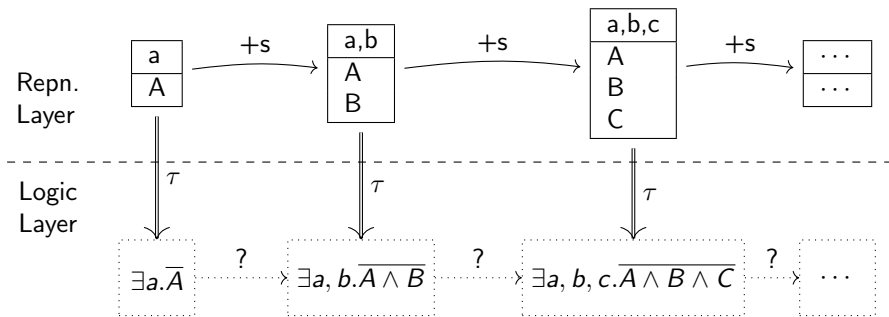
- ▶ **Example 1.16 (Existential Quantification is Dynamic).**

There is a book¹ that Peter does not own. * *It₁ is a novel.*



DRT as a Representational Level

- ▶ DRT adds a level to the knowledge representation which provides anchors (the *discourse referents*) for *anaphora* and the like.
- ▶ Propositional semantics by translation into PL^1 . (“+s” adds a sentence)



- ▶ *Anaphor resolution* works *incrementally* on the representational level.

A Direct Semantics for DRT (Dyn. Interpretation $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^\delta$)

- ▶ **Definition 1.17.** Let $\mathcal{M} = \langle \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{I} \rangle$ be a first-order model, then a **state** is an assignment from discourse referents into \mathcal{D} .
 - ▶ **Definition 1.18.** Let $\varphi, \psi: \mathcal{DR} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$ be **states**, then we say that ψ **extends** φ on $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathcal{DR}$ (write $\varphi[\mathcal{X}]\psi$), if $\varphi(U) = \psi(U)$ for all $U \notin \mathcal{X}$.
 - ▶ **Idea:** Conditions as truth values; DRSEs as pairs $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{S})$ (\mathcal{S} set of states)
 - ▶ **Definition 1.19 (Meaning of complex formulae).** The value function \mathcal{I}_φ for DRT is defined with the help of a dynamic value function $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^\delta$ on DRSEs: For conditions:
- ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(\neg \mathcal{D}) = \top$, if $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^\delta(\mathcal{D})^2 = \emptyset$.
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(\mathcal{D} \vee \mathcal{E}) = \top$, if $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^\delta(\mathcal{D})^2 \neq \emptyset$ or $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^\delta(\mathcal{E})^2 \neq \emptyset$.
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(\mathcal{D} \Rightarrow \mathcal{E}) = \top$, if for all $\psi \in \mathcal{I}_\varphi^\delta(\mathcal{D})^2$ there is a $\tau \in \mathcal{I}_\varphi^\delta(\mathcal{E})^2$ with $\psi[\mathcal{I}_\varphi^\delta(\mathcal{E})^1]\tau$.

For DRSEs \mathcal{D} we set $\mathcal{I}_\varphi(\mathcal{D}) = \top$, iff $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^\delta(\mathcal{D})^2 \neq \emptyset$, and define

- ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^\delta(\delta \mathcal{X}. \mathbf{C}) = (\mathcal{X}, \{\psi \mid \varphi[\mathcal{X}]\psi \text{ and } \mathcal{I}_\psi(\mathbf{C}) = \top\})$.
- ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^\delta(\mathcal{D} \otimes \mathcal{E}) = \mathcal{I}_\varphi^\delta(\mathcal{D} \parallel \mathcal{E}) = (\mathcal{I}_\varphi^\delta(\mathcal{D})^1 \cup \mathcal{I}_\varphi^\delta(\mathcal{E})^1, \mathcal{I}_\varphi^\delta(\mathcal{D})^2 \cap \mathcal{I}_\varphi^\delta(\mathcal{E})^2)$

Examples (Computing Direct Semantics)

► **Example 1.20.** *Peter owns a car*

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{I}_\varphi^\delta(\delta U.\text{acar}(U) \wedge \text{own}(\text{peter}, U)) \\ = & (\{U\}, \{\psi \mid \varphi[U]\psi \text{ and } \mathcal{I}_\psi(\text{acar}(U) \wedge \text{own}(\text{peter}, U)) = \text{T}\}) \\ = & (\{U\}, \{\psi \mid \varphi[U]\psi \text{ and } \mathcal{I}_\psi(\text{acar}(U)) = \text{T} \text{ and } \mathcal{I}_\psi(\text{own}(\text{peter}, U)) = \text{T}\}) \\ = & (\{U\}, \{\psi \mid \varphi[U]\psi \text{ and } \psi(U) \in \mathcal{I}(\text{acar}) \text{ and } (\psi(U), \text{peter}) \in \mathcal{I}(\text{own})\}) \end{aligned}$$

The set of states $[a/U]$, such that a is a car and is owned by Peter

► **Example 1.21.** For *Peter owns no car* we look at the condition:

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{I}_\varphi(\neg(\delta U.\text{acar}(U) \wedge \text{own}(\text{peter}, U))) = \text{T} \\ \Leftrightarrow & \mathcal{I}_\varphi^\delta(\delta U.\text{acar}(U) \wedge \text{own}(\text{peter}, U))^2 = \emptyset \\ \Leftrightarrow & (\{U\}, \{\psi \mid \varphi[\mathcal{X}]\psi \text{ and } \psi(U) \in \mathcal{I}(\text{acar}) \text{ and } (\psi(U), \text{peter}) \in \mathcal{I}(\text{own})\})^2 = \emptyset \\ \Leftrightarrow & \{\psi \mid \varphi[\mathcal{X}]\psi \text{ and } \psi(U) \in \mathcal{I}(\text{acar}) \text{ and } (\psi(U), \text{peter}) \in \mathcal{I}(\text{own})\} = \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

i.e. iff there are no a , that are cars and that are owned by Peter.

12.2 Dynamic Model Generation

- ▶ Mechanize the **dynamic entailment relation** (with anaphora)
- ▶ Use dynamic deduction theorem to reduce (dynamic) entailment to (dynamic) satisfiability
- ▶ Direct Deduction on **DRT** (or DPL) [Sau93; RG94; MR98]
- (++) Specialized Calculi for dynamic representations
- (--) Needs lots of development until we have efficient implementations
- ▶ Translation approach (used in our experiment)
 - (-) Translate to FOL
 - (++) Use off-the-shelf theorem prover (in this case **MathWeb**)

An Opportunity for Off-The-Shelf ATP?

- ▶ **Pro:** ATP is mature enough to tackle applications
 - ▶ Current ATP are highly efficient reasoning tools.
 - ▶ Full automation is needed for NLP. (ATP as an oracle)
 - ▶ ATP as logic engines is one of the initial promises of the field.
- ▶ **contra:** ATP are general logic systems
 1. NLP uses other representation formalisms (DRT, Feature Logic, ...)
 2. ATP optimized for mathematical (combinatorially complex) proofs.
 3. ATP (often) do not terminate.
- ▶ **Experiment:** Use translation approach for 1. to test 2. and 3. [Bla+01] (Wow, it works!)

Excursion: Incrementality in Dynamic Calculi

- ▶ For applications, we need to be able to check for
 - ▶ **satisfiability** ($\exists \mathcal{M}. \mathcal{M} \models A$), **validity** ($\forall \mathcal{M}. \mathcal{M} \models A$) and
 - ▶ **entailment** ($\mathcal{H} \models A$, iff $\mathcal{M} \models \mathcal{H}$ implies $\mathcal{M} \models A$ for all \mathcal{M})
- ▶ **Theorem 2.1 (Entailment Theorem)**. $\mathcal{H}, A \models B$, iff $\mathcal{H} \models A \Rightarrow B$. (e.g. for first-order logic and DPL)
- ▶ **Theorem 2.2 (Deduction Theorem)**. For most *calculi* \mathcal{C} we have $\mathcal{H}, A \vdash_{\mathcal{C}} B$, iff $\mathcal{H} \vdash_{\mathcal{C}} A \Rightarrow B$. (e.g. for \mathcal{ND}^1)
- ▶ **Problem:** Analogue $H_1 \otimes \dots \otimes H_n \models A$ is not equivalent to $\models (H_1 \otimes \dots \otimes H_n) \Rightarrow A$ in DRT, as \otimes symmetric.
- ▶ **Thus** the **validity** check cannot be used for **entailment** in DRT.
- ▶ **Solution:** Use **sequential merge** $;;$ (from DPL) for **sentence** composition.

- ▶ **Problem:** Translation approach is not **incremental**!
 - ▶ For each check, the **DRS** for the whole **discourse** has to be translated.
 - ▶ Can become infeasible, once **discourses** get large (e.g. novel).
 - ▶ This applies for all other approaches for dynamic deduction too.
- ▶ **Idea:** Extend **model generation** techniques instead!
 - ▶ **Remember:** A **DRS** \mathcal{D} is **valid** in $\mathcal{M} = \langle \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{I} \rangle$, iff $\mathcal{I}_{\emptyset}^{\delta}(\mathcal{D})^2 \neq \emptyset$.
 - ▶ Find a **model** \mathcal{M} and **state** φ , such that $\varphi \in \mathcal{I}_{\emptyset}^{\delta}(\mathcal{D})^2$.
 - ▶ Adapt first-order **model generation** technology for that.

- ▶ **Definition 2.3.** We call a model $\mathcal{M} = \langle \mathcal{U}, \mathcal{I}, \mathcal{I}^\delta \rangle$ a **dynamic Herbrand interpretation**, if $\langle \mathcal{U}, \mathcal{I} \rangle$ is a Herbrand model.
- ▶ Can represent \mathcal{M} as a triple $\langle \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{S}, \mathcal{B} \rangle$, where \mathcal{B} is the Herbrand base for $\langle \mathcal{U}, \mathcal{I} \rangle$.
- ▶ **Definition 2.4.** \mathcal{M} is called **finite**, iff \mathcal{U} is **finite**.
- ▶ **Definition 2.5.** \mathcal{M} is **minimal**, iff for all \mathcal{M}' the following holds:
 $(\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{M})' \subseteq \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{M})) \Rightarrow \mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}'$.
- ▶ **Definition 2.6.** \mathcal{M} is **domain minimal** if for all \mathcal{M}' the following holds:

$$\#(\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{M})) \leq \#(\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{M})')$$

- ▶ **Definition 2.7.** We use a **tableau** framework, extend by **state** information, and **rules** for **DRSes**.



$$\frac{(\delta U_{\mathbf{A}} \cdot \mathbf{A})^T \quad \mathcal{H} = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\} \quad w \notin \mathcal{H} \text{ new}}{\begin{array}{c|c|c} [a_1/U] & \dots & [a_n/U] \\ \hline ([a_1/U](\mathbf{A}))^T & & ([a_n/U](\mathbf{A}))^T \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} [w/U] \\ \hline ([w/U](\mathbf{A}))^T \end{array}} \text{RM } \delta$$

- ▶ Mechanize δ by adding representation of the second **DRS** at all **leaves**. (↔ tableau machine)
- ▶ Treat **conditions** by **DRT translation**

$$\frac{\neg \mathcal{D}}{\neg \mathcal{D}} \qquad \frac{\mathcal{D} \Rightarrow \mathcal{D}'}{\mathcal{D} \Rightarrow \mathcal{D}'} \qquad \frac{\mathcal{D} \vee \mathcal{D}'}{\mathcal{D} \vee \mathcal{D}'}$$

Example: *Peter is a man. No man walks*

- **Example 2.8 (Model Generation).** *Peter is a man. No man walks*

$$\begin{array}{c} \boxed{\text{man}(\text{peter})} \\ \boxed{\neg(\exists U.\text{man}(U) \wedge \text{walks}(U))} \\ (\text{man}(U) \wedge \text{walks}(U))^T \\ (\forall X.\text{man}(X) \wedge \text{walks}(X))^F \\ (\text{man}(\text{peter}) \wedge \text{walks}(\text{peter}))^F \\ \text{man}(\text{peter})^F \quad | \quad \text{walks}(\text{peter})^F \\ \perp \quad \quad \quad | \end{array}$$

Dynamic Herbrand interpretation: $\langle \emptyset, \emptyset, \{\text{man}(\text{peter})^T, \text{walks}(\text{peter})^F\} \rangle$

Example: Anaphor Resolution *A man sleeps. He snores*

- Example 2.9 (Anaphor Resolution). *A man sleeps. He snores*

$$\begin{array}{c} \boxed{\delta U_{\text{Man}}.\text{man}(U) \wedge \text{sleeps}(U)} \\ [c_{\text{Man}}^1 / U_{\text{Man}}] \\ \text{man}(c_{\text{Man}}^1)^T \\ \text{sleeps}(c_{\text{Man}}^1)^T \\ \boxed{\delta V_{\text{Man}}.\text{snores}(V)} \\ [c_{\text{Man}}^1 / V_{\text{Man}}] \quad | \quad [c_{\text{Man}}^2 / V_{\text{Man}}] \\ \text{snores}(c_{\text{Man}}^1)^T \quad | \quad \text{snores}(c_{\text{Man}}^2)^T \\ \text{minimal} \quad | \quad \text{deictic} \end{array}$$

▶ Example 2.10 (Anaphora with World Knowledge).

- ▶ *Mary is married to Jeff. Her husband is not in town.*
- ▶ $\delta U_{\mathbb{F}}, V_{\mathbb{M}}. U = \text{mary} \wedge \text{married}(U, V) \wedge V = \text{jeff} ; ; \delta W_{\mathbb{M}}, W'_{\mathbb{F}}. \text{husband}(W, W') \wedge \neg \text{intown}(W)$
- ▶ World knowledge
 - ▶ if a female X is married to a male Y , then Y is X 's only husband
 - ▶ $\forall X_{\mathbb{F}}, Y_{\mathbb{M}}. \text{married}(X, Y) \Rightarrow \text{husband}(Y, X) \wedge (\forall Z. \text{husband}(Z, X) \Rightarrow Z = Y)$
- ▶ Model generation yields tableau, all branches contain

$$\langle \{U, V, W, W'\}, \{[\text{mary}/U], [\text{jeff}/V], [\text{jeff}/W], [\text{mary}/W']\}, \mathcal{H} \rangle$$

with

$$\mathcal{H} = \{ \text{married}(\text{mary}, \text{jeff})^T, \text{husband}(\text{jeff}, \text{mary})^T, \neg \text{intown}(\text{jeff})^T \}$$

- ▶ they only differ in additional negative facts, e.g. $\text{married}(\text{mary}, \text{mary})^F$.

- ▶ Conforms with **psycholinguistic findings**:
 - ▶ Zwaan& Radvansky [ZR98]: listeners not only represent logical form, but also **models containing referents**.
 - ▶ deVega [de 95]: online, **incremental** process.
 - ▶ Singer [Sin94]: enriched by **background knowledge**.
 - ▶ Glenberg et al. [GML87]: major function is to provide basis for **anaphor resolution**.

Chapter 13

Propositional Attitudes and Modalities

13.1 Introduction

- ▶ **Definition 1.1.** **Modality** is a feature of language that allows for communicating things about, or based on, situations which need not be actual.
- ▶ **Definition 1.2.** **Modality** is signaled by grammatical expressions (called **moods**) that express a speaker's general intentions and commitment to how believable, obligatory, desirable, or actual an expressed proposition is.
- ▶ **Example 1.3.** Data on modalities (moods in red)
 - ▶ *A probably holds,* (possibilistic)
 - ▶ *it has always been the case that A,* (temporal)
 - ▶ *it is well-known that A,* (epistemic)
 - ▶ *A is allowed/prohibited,* (deontic)
 - ▶ *A is provable,* (provability)
 - ▶ *A holds after the program P terminates,* (program)
 - ▶ *A holds during the execution of P.* (dito)
 - ▶ *it is necessary that A,* (aletic)
 - ▶ *it is possible that A,* (dito)

Modeling Modalities and Propositional Attitudes

- ▶ **Example 1.4.** Again, the pattern from above:
 - ▶ *it is necessary that Peter knows logic* (A = Peter knows logic)
 - ▶ *it is possible that John loves logic,* (A = John loves logic)
- ▶ **Observation:** All of the red parts above modify the clause/sentence A. We call them **modalities**.
- ▶ **Definition 1.5 (A related Concept from Philosophy).** A **propositional attitude** is a mental state held by an agent toward a proposition.
- ▶ **Question:** But how to model this in logic?
- ▶ **Idea:** New sentence-to-sentence operators for *necessary* and *possible*. (extend existing logics with them.)
- ▶ **Observation:** *A is necessary*, iff $\neg A$ is impossible.
- ▶ **Definition 1.6.** A **modal logic** is a **logical system** that has **logical constants** that model **modalities**.

- ▶ Aristoteles studies the logic of necessity and possibility
- ▶ Diodorus: temporal modalities
 - ▶ possible: *is true or will be*
 - ▶ necessary: *is true and will never be false*
- ▶ Clarence Irving Lewis 1918 [Lew18] (Systems S_1, \dots, S_5)
 - ▶ strict implication $I(A \wedge B)$ (I for “impossible”)
- ▶ Kurt Gödel 1932: **Modal logic** of provability (S_4) [Göd32]
- ▶ Saul Kripke 1959-63: **Possible worlds** semantics [Kri63]
- ▶ Vaughan Pratt 1976: Dynamic Program Logic [Pra76]
- ▶ \vdots

- ▶ **Definition 1.7.** Propositional modal logic ML^0 extends propositional logic with two new logical constants: \Box for necessity and \Diamond for possibility. ($\Diamond A = \neg(\Box \neg A)$)
- ▶ **Observation:** Nothing hinges on the fact that we use propositional logic!
- ▶ **Definition 1.8.** First-order modal logic ML^1 extends first-order logic with two new logical constants: \Box for necessity and \Diamond for possibility.
- ▶ **Example 1.9.** We interpret
 1. *Necessarily, every mortal will die.* as $\Box(\forall X.\text{mortal}(X) \Rightarrow \text{willdie}(X))$
 2. *Possibly, something is immortal.* as $\Diamond(\exists X.\neg\text{mortal}(X))$
- ▶ **Questions:** What do \Box and \Diamond mean? How do they behave?

Epistemic and Doxastic Modality

- ▶ **Definition 1.10.** Modal sentences can convey information about the speaker's state of knowledge (**epistemic state**) or belief (**doxastic state**).
- ▶ **Example 1.11.** We might paraphrase sentence (eposs) as (3):
 1. A: *Where's John?*
 2. B: *He might be in the library.*
 3. B': *It is consistent with the speaker's knowledge that John is in the library.*
- ▶ **Definition 1.12.** We say that a world w is an **epistemic possibility** for an agent B if it could be consistent with B 's knowledge.
- ▶ **Definition 1.13.** An **epistemic logic** is one that models the **epistemic state** of a speaker. **Doxastic logic** does the same for the **doxastic state**.
- ▶ **Definition 1.14.** In **deontic modal logic**, we interpret the **accessibility relation** \mathcal{R} as **epistemic accessibility**:
 - ▶ With this \mathcal{R} , represent B 's **utterance** as $\diamond \text{inlib}(j)$.
 - ▶ Similarly, represent *John must be in the library.* as $\square \text{inlib}(j)$.
- ▶ **Question:** If \mathcal{R} is **epistemic accessibility**, what properties should it have?

- ▶ **Definition 1.15.** **Deontic modality** is a **modality** that indicates how the world ought to be according to certain norms, expectations, speaker desire, etc.
- ▶ **Definition 1.16.** **Deontic modality** has the following subcategories
 - ▶ **Commissive modality** (the speaker's commitment to do something, like a promise or threat): e.g. *I shall help you.*
 - ▶ **Directive modality** (commands, requests, etc.): e.g. *Come!, Let's go!, You've got to taste this curry!*
 - ▶ **Volitive modality** (wishes, desires, etc.): *If only I were rich!*
- ▶ **Question:** If we want to interpret $\Box \text{runs}(j)$ as *It is required that John runs* (or, more idiomatically, as *John must run*), what formulae should be valid on this interpretation of the operators? (This is for homework!)

13.2 Semantics for Modal Logics

- ▶ **Definition 2.1.** We use a set \mathcal{W} of **possible worlds**, and a **accessibility relation** $\mathcal{R} \subseteq \mathcal{W} \times \mathcal{W}$: if $\mathcal{R}(v, w)$, then we say that w is **accessible** from v .
- ▶ **Example 2.2.** $\mathcal{W} = \mathbb{N}$ with $\mathcal{R} = \{\langle n, n+1 \rangle \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$. (temporal logic)
- ▶ **Definition 2.3.** **Variable assignment** $\varphi: \mathcal{V}_0 \times \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_0$ assigns values to variables in a given possible world.
- ▶ **Definition 2.4.** **Value function** $\mathcal{I}: \mathcal{W} \times \text{wff}_0() \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_0$ (assigns values to formulae in a possible world)
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^w(V) = \varphi(w, V)$
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^w(\neg A) = \top$, iff $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^w(A) = \text{F}$ (\wedge analogous)
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^w(\Box A) = \top$, iff $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi'}^{w'}(A) = \top$ for all $w' \in \mathcal{W}$ with $w\mathcal{R}w'$.
- ▶ **Definition 2.5.** We call a triple $\mathcal{M} := \langle \mathcal{W}, \mathcal{R}, \mathcal{I} \rangle$ a **Kripke model**.

Accessibility Relations. E.g. for Temporal Modalities

- ▶ **Example 2.6 (Temporal Worlds with Ordering).** Let $\langle \mathcal{W}, \circ, <, \subseteq \rangle$ an interval time structure, then we can use $\langle \mathcal{W}, < \rangle$ as a Kripke models. Then PAST becomes a modal operator.
- ▶ **Example 2.7.** Suppose we have $i < j$ and $j < k$. Then intuitively, if *Jane is laughing* is true at i , then *Jane laughed* should be true at j and at k , i.e. $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^w(j)\text{PAST}(\text{laughs}(j))$ and $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^w(k)\text{PAST}(\text{laughs}(j))$.
But this holds only if “ $<$ ” is transitive. (which it is!)
- ▶ **Example 2.8.** Here is a clearly counter-intuitive claim: For any time i and any sentence A , if $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^w(i)\text{PRES}(A)$ then $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^w(i)\text{PAST}(A)$.
(For example, the truth of *Jane is at the finish line* at i implies the truth of *Jane was at the finish line* at i .)
But we would get this result if we allowed $<$ to be reflexive. ($<$ is irreflexive)
- ▶ Treating tense modally, we obtain reasonable truth conditions.

Modal Axioms (Propositional Logic)

► **Definition 2.9. Necessitation:** $\frac{A}{\Box A} N$

► **Definition 2.10 (Normal Modal Logics).**

System	Axioms	Accessibility Relation
\mathbb{K}	$\Box(A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow (\Box A \Rightarrow \Box B)$	general
\mathbb{T}	$\mathbb{K} + \Box A \Rightarrow A$	reflexive
$\mathbb{S4}$	$\mathbb{T} + \Box A \Rightarrow \Box \Box A$	reflexive + transitive
\mathbb{B}	$\mathbb{T} + \Diamond \Box A \Rightarrow A$	reflexive + symmetric
$\mathbb{S5}$	$\mathbb{S4} + \Diamond A \Rightarrow \Box \Diamond A$	equivalence relation

- ▶ **Observation 2.11.** $\Box(A \wedge B) \models \Box A \wedge \Box B$ in \mathbb{K} .
- ▶ **Observation 2.12.** $A \Rightarrow B \models \Box A \Rightarrow \Box B$ in \mathbb{K} .
- ▶ **Observation 2.13.** $A \Rightarrow B \models \Diamond A \Rightarrow \Diamond B$ in \mathbb{K} .

Translation to First-Order Logic

- ▶ **Question:** Is modal logic more expressive than predicate logic?
- ▶ **Answer:** Very rarely! (usually can be translated)
- ▶ **Definition 2.14.** Translation τ from ML into PL^1 , (so that the diagram commutes)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Kripke-Sem.} & \xrightarrow{\bar{\tau}} & \text{Tarski-Sem.} \\ \mathcal{I}_\varphi^w \uparrow & & \uparrow \mathcal{I}_\varphi \\ \text{modal logic} & \xrightarrow{\tau} & \text{predicate logic} \end{array}$$

- ▶ **Idea:** Axiomatize Kripke models in PL^1 . (diagram is simple consequence)
- ▶ **Definition 2.15.** A logic morphism $\Theta: \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}'$ is called
 - ▶ **correct**, iff $\exists \mathcal{M}. \mathcal{M} \models \Phi$ implies $\exists \mathcal{M}'. \mathcal{M}' \models' \Theta(\Phi)$.
 - ▶ **complete**, iff $\exists \mathcal{M}'. \mathcal{M}' \models' \Theta(\Phi)$ implies $\exists \mathcal{M}. \mathcal{M} \models \Phi$.

- ▶ **Definition 2.16.** The **standard translation** τ_w from **modal logics** to **first-order logic** is given by the following process:
 - ▶ Extend all **function constants** by a “world argument”: $\bar{f} \in \Sigma_{k+1}^f$ for every $f \in \Sigma_k^f$
 - ▶ for **predicate constants** accordingly.
 - ▶ insert the “translation world” there: e.g. $\tau_w(f(a, b)) = \bar{f}(w, \bar{a}(w), \bar{b}(w))$.
 - ▶ New **predicate constant** \mathcal{R} for the **accessibility relation**.
 - ▶ New **constant** s for the “start world”.
 - ▶ $\tau_w(\Box A) = \forall w'. w\mathcal{R}w' \Rightarrow \tau_{w'}(A)$.
 - ▶ Use all axioms from the respective correspondence theory.
- ▶ **Definition 2.17 (Alternative).** **Functional translations**, if \mathcal{R} associative:
 - ▶ New function constant $f_{\mathcal{R}}$ for the accessibility relation.
 - ▶ Revise the **standard translation** by one of the following
 - ▶ $\tau_w(\Box A) = \forall w'. w = f_{\mathcal{R}}(w') \Rightarrow \tau_{w'}(A)$. (naive solution)
 - ▶ $\tau_{f_{\mathcal{R}}(w)}(\Box A) = \tau_w(A)$ (better for mechanizing [Ohl88])

- ▶ **Theorem 2.18.** $\tau_s: ML^0 \rightarrow PL^0$ is correct and complete.
- ▶ *Proof:* show that $\exists \mathcal{M}. \mathcal{M} \models \Phi$ iff $\exists \mathcal{M}'. \mathcal{M}' \models \tau_s(\Phi)$
 1. Let $\mathcal{M} = \langle \mathcal{W}, \mathcal{R}, \varphi \rangle$ with $\mathcal{M} \models A$
 2. chose $\mathcal{M} = \langle \mathcal{W}, \mathcal{I}' \rangle$, such that $\mathcal{I}(\bar{p}) = \varphi(p): \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \{\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{F}\}$ and $\mathcal{I}(r) = \mathcal{R}$.
we prove $\mathcal{M} \models_{\psi} \tau_w(A)'$ for $\psi = Id_{\mathcal{W}}$ by structural induction over A .
 3. $A = P$
 - 3.1. $\mathcal{I}_{\psi}(\tau_w(A)) = \mathcal{I}_{\psi}(\bar{p}(w)) = \mathcal{I}(\bar{p}(w)) = \varphi(P, w) = \mathbf{T}$
 4. $A = \neg B$, $A = B \wedge C$ trivial by IH.
 5. $A = \Box B$
 - 5.1. $\mathcal{I}_{\psi}(\tau_w(A)) = \mathcal{I}_{\psi}(\forall w.r(w, v) \Rightarrow \tau_v(B)) = \mathbf{T}$, if $\mathcal{I}_{\psi}(r(w, v)) = \mathbf{F}$ or $\mathcal{I}_{\psi}(\tau_v(B)) = \mathbf{T}$ for all $v \in \mathcal{W}$.
 - 5.2. $\mathcal{M} \models_{\psi} \tau_{v'}(B)$ so by IH $\mathcal{M} \models^v B$.
 - 5.3. so $\mathcal{M} \models_{\psi} \tau_w(A)'$.

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13.3 A Multiplicity of Modalities \rightsquigarrow Multimodal Logic

A Multiplicity of Modalities

- ▶ Epistemic (knowledge and belief) modalities must be relativized to an individual
 - ▶ *Peter knows that Trump is lying habitually.*
 - ▶ *John believes that Peter knows that Trump is lying habitually.*
 - ▶ *You must take the written drivers' exam to be admitted to the practical test.*
- ▶ Similarly, we find in **natural language** expressions of necessity and possibility relative to many different kinds of things.
- ▶ Consider the deontic (obligatory/permissible) modalities
 - ▶ *[Given the university's rules] Jane can take that class.*
 - ▶ *[Given her intellectual ability] Jane can take that class.*
 - ▶ *[Given her schedule] Jane can take that class.*
 - ▶ *[Given my desires] I must meet Henry.*
 - ▶ *[Given the requirements of our plan] I must meet Henry.*
 - ▶ *[Given the way things are] I must meet Henry [every day and not know it].*
- ▶ Many different sorts of modality, sentences are multiply **ambiguous** towards which one.

- ▶ **Definition 3.1.** A **multi modal** logic provides operators for multiple **modalities**:
 $[1], [2], [3], \dots, \langle 1 \rangle, \langle 2 \rangle, \dots$
- ▶ **Definition 3.2.** **Multi modal Kripke models** provide multiple **accessibility relations** $\mathcal{R}_1, \mathcal{R}_2, \dots \subseteq \mathcal{W} \times \mathcal{W}$.
- ▶ **Definition 3.3.** The **value function** in logic generalizes the clause for \Box in ML^0 to
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^w([i]A) = \text{T}$, iff $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^{w'}(A) = \text{T}$ for all $w' \in \mathcal{W}$ with $w\mathcal{R}_i w'$.
- ▶ **Example 3.4 (Epistemic Logic: talking about knowing/believing).**
 $\langle \text{peter} \rangle \langle \text{klaus} \rangle A$ (Peter knows that Klaus considers A possible)
- ▶ **Example 3.5 (Program Logic: talking about programs).**
 $[X:=A][Y:=A]X = Y$ (after assignments, the values of X and Y are equal)

13.4 Dynamic Logic for Imperative Programs

- ▶ **Modal logics** for argumentation about **imperative**, non-deterministic **programs**.
- ▶ **Idea:** Formalize the traditional argumentation about program correctness: tracing the variable assignments (state) across program statements.

- ▶ **Example 4.1 (Fibonacci).**

Consider the following (imperative) program that computes $\text{Fib}(X)$ as the value of Z :

$\alpha := \langle Y, Z \rangle := \langle 1, 1 \rangle ; \text{while } X \neq 0 \text{ do } \langle X, Y, Z \rangle := \langle X - 1, Z, Y + Z \rangle \text{ end}$

- ▶ **States** for the “input” $X = 4$: $\langle 4, _, _ \rangle, \langle 4, 1, 1 \rangle, \langle 3, 1, 2 \rangle, \langle 2, 2, 3 \rangle, \langle 1, 3, 5 \rangle, \langle 0, 5, 8 \rangle$
- ▶ **Correctness?** For positive X , running α with input $\langle X, _, _ \rangle$ we end with $\langle 0, F_{(X-1)}, F_X \rangle$
- ▶ **Termination?** α does not terminate on input $\langle -1, _, _ \rangle$.

- ▶ **Observation:** Multi modal logic fits well
 - ▶ States as possible worlds, program statements as accessibility relations.
 - ▶ Two syntactic categories: programs α and formulae A .
 - ▶ Interpret $[\alpha]A$ as *If α terminates, then A holds afterwards*
 - ▶ Interpret $\langle\alpha\rangle A$ as *α terminates and A holds afterwards.*
- ▶ **Example 4.2.** Assertions about Fibonacci number (α)
 - ▶ $\forall X, Y. [\alpha]Z = \text{Fib}(X)$
 - ▶ $\forall X, Y. (X \geq 0) \Rightarrow \langle\alpha\rangle Z = \text{Fib}(X)$

Levels of Description in Dynamic Logic

- ▶ Propositional dynamic logic (DL^0) (independent of variable assignments)
 - ▶ $\models ([\alpha]A \wedge [\alpha]B) \Leftrightarrow ([\alpha](A \wedge B))$
 - ▶ $\models ([\text{while } A \vee B \text{ do } \alpha \text{ end}]C) \Leftrightarrow ([\text{while } A \text{ do } \alpha \text{ end} ; \text{while } B \text{ do } \alpha ; \text{while } A \text{ do } \alpha \text{ end end}]C)$
- ▶ First-order program logic (DL^1) (function, predicates uninterpreted)
 - ▶ $\models p(f(X)) \Rightarrow g(Y, f(X)) \Rightarrow \langle\langle Z := f(X) \rangle\rangle p(Z, g(Y, Z))$
 - ▶ $\models Z = Y \wedge (\forall X. f(g(X)) = X) \Rightarrow [\text{while } p(Y) \text{ do } Y := g(Y) \text{ end}] \langle\text{while } Y \neq Z \text{ do } Y := f(Y) \text{ end}\rangle T$
- ▶ DL^1 with interpreted functions, predicates (maybe some other time)
 - ▶ $\forall X. \langle\text{while } X \neq 1 \text{ do if } \text{even}(X) \text{ then } X := \frac{X}{2} \text{ else } X := 3X + 1 \text{ end}\rangle T$

► **Definition 4.3.** Propositional dynamic logic (DL⁰) is PL⁰ extended by

► program variables $\mathcal{V}_\pi = \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \dots\}$,

► modalities $[\alpha], \langle \alpha \rangle$.

► program constructors $\Sigma^\pi = \{;, \cup, *, ?\}$

(minimal set)

$\alpha ; \beta$	execute first α , then β	sequence
$\alpha \cup \beta$	execute (non-deterministically) either α or β	distribution
$*\alpha$	(non-deterministically) repeat α finitely often	iteration
$A?$	proceed if $\models A$, else error	test

► **Idea:** Standard program primitives as derived concepts

Construct	as
if A then α else β	$(A? ; \alpha) \cup (\neg A? ; \beta)$
while A do α end	$*(A? ; \alpha) ; \neg A?$
repeat α until A end	$*(\alpha ; \neg A?) ; A?$

- ▶ **Definition 4.4.** A model for DL⁰ consists of a set \mathcal{W} of possible worlds called **states** for DL⁰.
- ▶ **Definition 4.5.** DL⁰ **variable assignments** come in two parts:
 - ▶ $\varphi: \mathcal{V}_0 \times \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_0$ (for propositional variables)
 - ▶ $\pi: \mathcal{V}_\pi \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{W} \times \mathcal{W})$ (maps program variables to accessibility relations)
- ▶ **Definition 4.6.** The meaning of complex formulae is given by the following **value function** $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi, \pi}^w: \text{wff}_0(\mathcal{V}_0) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_0$:
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi, \pi}^w(V) = \varphi(w, V)$ for $V \in \mathcal{V}_0$ and $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi, \pi}^w(\alpha) = \pi(\alpha)$ for $\alpha \in \mathcal{V}_\pi$.
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi, \pi}^w(\neg A) = \top$ iff $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi, \pi}^w(A) = \text{F}$
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi, \pi}^w([\alpha]A) = \top$ iff $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi, \pi}^{w'}(A) = \top$ for all $w' \in \mathcal{W}$ with $w \mathcal{I}_{\varphi, \pi}^w(\alpha) w'$.
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi, \pi}^w(\alpha) = \pi(\alpha)$. (program variable by assignment)
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi, \pi}^w(\alpha; \beta) = \mathcal{I}_{\varphi, \pi}^w(\beta) \circ \mathcal{I}_{\varphi, \pi}^w(\alpha)$ (sequence by composition)
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi, \pi}^w(\alpha \cup \beta) = \mathcal{I}_{\varphi, \pi}^w(\alpha) \cup \mathcal{I}_{\varphi, \pi}^w(\beta)$ (distribution by union)
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi, \pi}^w(*\alpha) = \mathcal{I}_{\varphi, \pi}^w(\alpha)^*$ (iteration by reflexive transitive closure)
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_{\varphi, \pi}^w(A?) = \{\langle w, w \rangle \mid \mathcal{I}_{\varphi, \pi}^w(A) = \top\}$ (test by subset of identity relation)

First-Order Program Logic (DL^1)

- ▶ **Observation:** Imperative programs contain variables, constants, functions and predicates (uninterpreted), but no program variables. The main operation is variable assignment.
- ▶ **Idea:** Make a multi modal logic in the spirit of DL^0 that features all of these for a deeper understanding.
- ▶ **Definition 4.7.** First-order program logic (DL^1) combines the features of PL^1 , DL^0 without program variables, with the following two assignment operators:
 - ▶ nondeterministic assignment $X := ?$
 - ▶ deterministic assignment $X := A$
- ▶ **Example 4.8.** $\models p(f(X)) \Rightarrow g(Y, f(X)) \Rightarrow \langle Z := f(X) \rangle p(Z, g(Y, Z))$ in DL^1 .
- ▶ **Example 4.9.** In DL^1 we have $\models Z = Y \wedge (\forall X. p(f(g(X)) = X)) \Rightarrow [\text{while } p(Y) \text{ do } Y := g(Y) \text{ end}] \langle \text{while } Y \neq Z \text{ do } Y := f(Y) \text{ end} \rangle T$

- ▶ **Definition 4.10.** Let $\mathcal{M} = \langle \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{I} \rangle$ be a first-order model then the states (possible worlds) are variable assignments: $\mathcal{W} = \{\varphi \mid \varphi: \mathcal{V}_i \rightarrow \mathcal{D}\}$
- ▶ **Definition 4.11.** For a set \mathcal{X} of variables, write $\varphi[\mathcal{X}]\psi$, iff $\varphi(X) = \psi(X)$ for all $X \notin \mathcal{X}$.
- ▶ **Definition 4.12.** The meaning of complex formulae is given by the following value function $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^w: \text{wff}_o(\Sigma, \mathcal{V}_i) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_0$
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^w(A) = \mathcal{I}_\varphi(A)$ if A term or atom.
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^w(\neg A) = \top$ iff $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^w(A) = \text{F}$
 - ▶ \vdots
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^w(X:=?) = \{\langle \varphi, \psi \rangle \mid \varphi[X]\psi\}$
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi^w(X:=A) = \{\langle \varphi, \psi \rangle \mid \varphi[X]\psi \text{ and } \psi(X) = \mathcal{I}_\varphi(A)\}$.
- ▶ **Observation 4.13 (Substitution and Quantification).** We have
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_\varphi([X:=A]B) = \mathcal{I}_{(\varphi, [\mathcal{I}_\varphi(A)/X])}(B)$
 - ▶ $\forall X.A = [X:=?]A$.
- ▶ Thus substitutions and quantification are definable in DL¹.

- ▶ **Question:** Why is dynamic program logic interesting in a natural language course?
- ▶ **Answer:** There are fundamental relations between dynamic ([discourse](#)) logics and dynamic program logics.
- ▶ **David Israel:** “*Natural languages are programming languages for mind*” [Isr93]

Chapter 14

Some Issues in the Semantics of Tense

Tense as a Deictic Element

- ▶ **Goal:** capturing the **truth conditions** and the **logical form** of sentences of English.
- ▶ **Clearly:** the following three sentences have different **truth conditions**.
 1. *Jane saw George.*
 2. *Jane sees George.*
 3. *Jane will see George.*
- ▶ **Observation 0.1.** *Tense is a **deictic** element, i.e. its interpretation requires reference to something outside the sentence itself.*
- ▶ **Remark:** Often, in particular in the case of monoclausal sentences occurring in isolation, as in our examples, this “something” is the **speech** time.
- ▶ **Idea:** make use of the reference time *now*:
 - ▶ *Jane saw George* is true at a time iff *Jane sees George* was true at some point in time before now.
 - ▶ *Jane will see George* is true at a time iff *Jane sees George* will be true at some point in time after now.

A Simple Semantics for Tense

- ▶ **Problem:** the meaning of *Jane saw George* and *Jane will see George* is defined in terms of *Jane sees George*.
~ We need the truth conditions of the present tense sentence.
- ▶ **Idea:** *Jane sees George* is true at a time iff Jane sees George at that time.
- ▶ **Implementation:** Postulate tense operators as sentential operators (expressions of type $\text{prop} \rightarrow \text{prop}$). Interpret
 1. *Jane saw George* as $\text{PAST}(\text{see}(g, j))$,
 2. *Jane sees George* as $\text{PRES}(\text{see}(g, j))$, and
 3. *Jane wil see George* as $\text{FUT}(\text{see}(g, j))$.

- ▶ **Problem:** The interpretations of constants vary over time.
- ▶ **Idea:** Introduce times into our models, and let the interpretation function give values of constants at a time. Relativize the valuation function to times
- ▶ **Idea:** We will consider temporal structures, where denotations are constant on intervals.
- ▶ **Definition 0.2.** Let $I \subseteq \{[i,j] \mid i, j \in \mathbb{R}\}$ be a set of real intervals, then we call $\langle I, \circ, <, \subseteq \rangle$ an **interval time structure**, where for intervals $i := [i_l, i_r]$ and $j := [j_l, j_r]$ we say that
 - ▶ i and j **overlap** (written $i \circ j$), iff $i_l \leq i_r$,
 - ▶ i **precedes** j (written $i < j$), iff $i_r \leq j_l$, and
 - ▶ i is **contained** in j (written $i \subseteq j$), iff $i_l \leq j_l$ and $i_r \leq j_r$.
- ▶ **Definition 0.3.** A **temporal model** is a triple $\langle \mathcal{D}, \mathbb{I}, \mathcal{I} \rangle$, where
 - ▶ \mathcal{D} is a set called the **domain**,
 - ▶ \mathbb{I} is a **interval time structure**, and
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}: \mathbb{I} \times \Sigma_{\mathcal{T}} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ an interpretation function.

- ▶ **Definition 0.4.** For the value function $\mathcal{I}_i(\varphi)$, we only redefine the clause for constants:
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_i(\varphi)c := \mathcal{I}(i, c)$
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_i(\varphi)X := \varphi(X)$
 - ▶ $\mathcal{I}_i(\varphi)FA := \mathcal{I}_i(\varphi)F(\mathcal{I}_i(\varphi)A)$.
- ▶ **Definition 0.5.** We define the meaning of the tense operators
 1. $\mathcal{I}_i(\varphi)\text{PRES}(\Phi) = \text{T}$, iff $\mathcal{I}_i(\varphi)\Phi = \text{T}$.
 2. $\mathcal{I}_i(\varphi)\text{PAST}(\Phi) = \text{T}$ iff there is an interval $j \in I$ with $j < i$ and $\mathcal{I}_j(\varphi)\Phi = \text{T}$.
 3. $\mathcal{I}_i(\varphi)\text{FUT}(\Phi) = \text{T}$ iff there is an interval $j \in I$ with $i < j$ and $\mathcal{I}_j(\varphi)\Phi = \text{T}$.

- ▶ How do we use this machinery to deal with complex tenses in English?
 - ▶ Past of past (pluperfect): *Jane had left (by the time I arrived)*.
 - ▶ Future perfect: *Jane will have left (by the time I arrive)*.
 - ▶ Past progressive: *Jane was going to leave (when I arrived)*.
- ▶ Perfective vs. imperfective
 - ▶ *Jane left*.
 - ▶ *Jane was leaving*.
- ▶ How do the **truth conditions** of these sentences differ? **Standard observation:** Perfective indicates a completed action, imperfective indicates an incomplete or ongoing action. This becomes clearer when we look at the “creation predicates” like *build a house* or *write a book*
 - ▶ *Jane built a house*. entails: *There was a house that Jane built*.
 - ▶ *Jane was building a house*. does not entail that *there was a house that Jane built*.

► New Data;

1. *Jane leaves tomorrow.*
2. *Jane is leaving tomorrow.*
3. ?? *It rains tomorrow.*
4. ?? *It is raining tomorrow.*
5. ?? *The dog barks tomorrow.*
6. ?? *The dog is barking tomorrow.*

- Future readings of present tense appear to arise only when the event described is planned, or planable, either by the subject of the sentence, the speaker, or a third party.

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- ▶ *George will say that Jane is laughing.*
 - ▶ **Reading 1:** George will say “*Jane is laughing.*” Saying and laughing co-occur, but both saying and laughing are future of **utterance** time. So present tense in subordinate clause indicates futurity relative to **utterance** time, but not to main clause reference time.
 - ▶ **Reading 2:** Laughing overlaps **utterance** time and saying (by George). So present tense in subordinate clause is present relative to **utterance** time *and* main clause reference time.

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- ▶ And just for fun, consider past under present. . . *George will claim that Mary hit Bill.*
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- ▶ And finally. . .
 1. *A week ago, John decided that in ten days at breakfast he would tell his mother that they were having their last meal together.* (Abusch 1988)
 2. *John said a week ago that in ten days he would buy a fish that was still alive.* (Ogihara 1996)

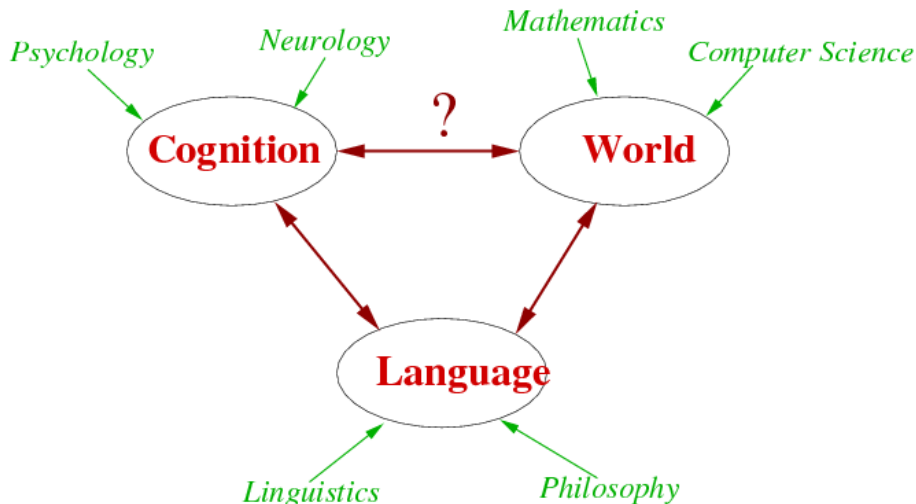
- ▶ **Example 0.6 (Ordering and Overlap).** *A man walked into the bar. He sat down and ordered a beer. He was wearing a nice jacket and expensive shoes, but he asked me if I could spare a buck.*
- ▶ **Example 0.7 (Tense as **anaphora**?).**
 1. Said while driving down the NJ turnpike: *I forgot to turn off the stove.*
 2. *I didn't turn off the stove.*

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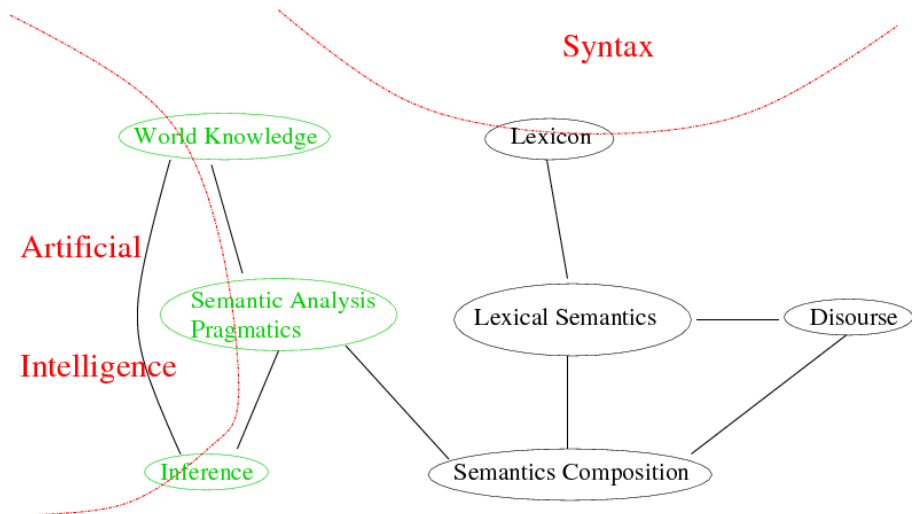
Conclusion

15.1 A Recap in Diagrams

NL Semantics as an Intersective Discipline

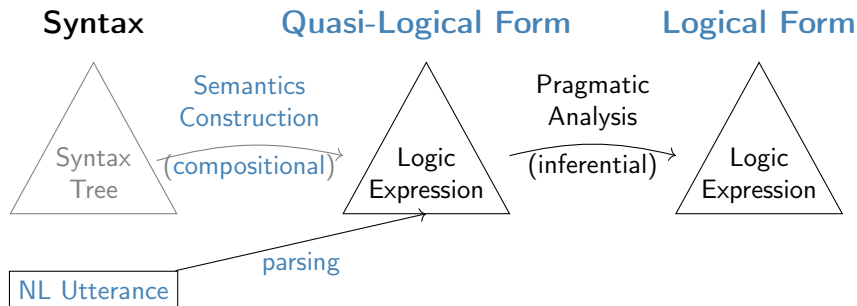


A landscape of formal semantics

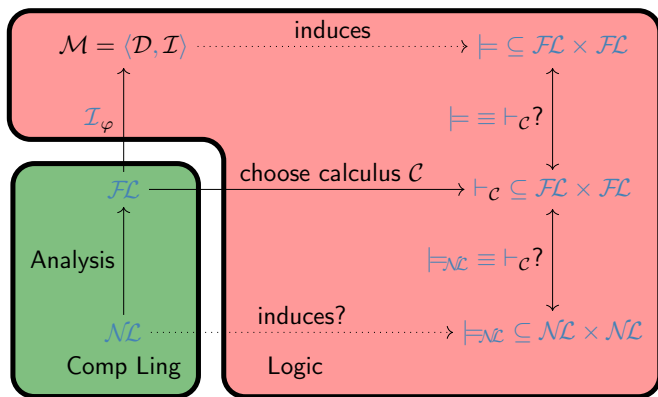


- ▶ **Problem:** Find formal (logic) system for the meaning of natural language.
- ▶ History of ideas
 - ▶ Propositional logic [ancient Greeks like Aristotle]
 - * *Every human is mortal*
 - ▶ First-Order Predicate logic [Frege \leq 1900]
 - * *I believe, that my audience already knows this.*
 - ▶ Modal logic [Lewis18, Kripke65]
 - * *A man sleeps. He snores.* $((\exists X.\text{man}(X) \wedge \text{sleeps}(X))) \wedge \text{snores}(X)$
 - ▶ Various dynamic approaches (e.g. DRT, DPL)
 - * *Most men wear black*
 - ▶ Higher-order Logic, e.g. generalized quantifiers
 - ▶ ...

A Semantic Processing Pipeline based on LF



Natural Language Semantics?



15.2 Where to From Here

Where to from here?

- ▶ We can continue the exploration of semantics in two different ways:
 - ▶ Look around for additional **logical/formal systems** and see how they can be applied to various linguistic problems. (the logician's approach)
 - ▶ Look around for additional linguistic forms and wonder about their **truth conditions**, their **logical forms**, and how to represent them. (the linguist's approach)
- ▶ Here are some possibilities...

1. *The dogs were barking.*
2. *Fido and Chester were barking.* (What kind of an object do the subject NPs denote?)
3. *Fido and Chester were barking. They were hungry.*
4. *Jane and George came to see me. She was upset.* (Sometimes we need to look inside a plural!)
5. *Jane and George have two children.* (Each? Or together?)
6. *Jane and George got married.* (To each other? Or to other people?)
7. *Jane and George met.* (The predicate makes a difference to how we interpret the plural)

- ▶ What's required to make these true?
 1. *The men all shook hands with one another.*
 2. *The boys are all sitting next to one another on the fence.*
 3. *The students all learn from each other.*

Presuppositional expressions

- ▶ What are presuppositions?
- ▶ What expressions give rise to presuppositions?
- ▶ Are all apparent presuppositions really the same thing?
 1. *The window in that office is open.*
 2. *The window in that office isn't open.*
 3. *George knows that Jane is in town.*
 4. *George doesn't know that Jane is in town.*
 5. *It was / wasn't George who upset Jane.*
 6. *Jane stopped / didn't stop laughing.*
 7. *George is / isn't late.*

1. *George doesn't know that Jane is in town.*
2. *Either Jane isn't in town or George doesn't know that she is.*
3. *If Jane is in town, then George doesn't know that she is.*
4. *Henry believes that George knows that Jane is in town.*

- ▶ What are the **truth conditions** of conditionals?
 1. *If Jane goes to the game, George will go.*
 - ▶ Intuitively, not made true by falsity of the antecedent or truth of consequent independent of antecedent.
 2. *If John is late, he must have missed the bus.*
- ▶ Generally agreed that conditionals are modal in nature. Note presence of modal in consequent of each conditional above.

- ▶ And what about these??
 1. *If kangaroos didn't have tails, they'd topple over.* (David Lewis)
 2. *If Woodward and Bernstein hadn't got on the Watergate trail, Nixon might never have been caught.*
 3. *If Woodward and Bernstein hadn't got on the Watergate trail, Nixon would have been caught by someone else.*
- ▶ Counterfactuals undoubtedly modal, as their evaluation depends on which alternative world you put yourself in.

▶ These seem easy. But modality creeps in again...

1. *Jane gave up linguistics after she finished her dissertation.* (Did she finish?)
2. *Jane gave up linguistics before she finished her dissertation.* (Did she finish? Did she start?)

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