

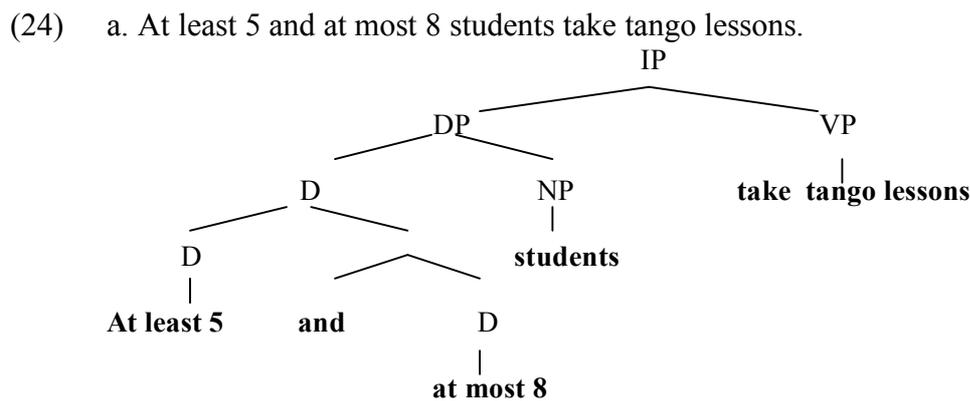
QUESTION 2: We saw that **and** (and **or**) can conjoin two IPs, as in (20), and that they can conjoin two constituents of type  $\langle e, t \rangle$ , as in (21). In fact, **and** and **or** are crosscategorical and can also conjoin two denotations of type  $\langle e, \langle e, t \rangle \rangle$ , two denotations of type  $\langle e, \langle e, \langle e, t \rangle \rangle \rangle$ , two Determiner denotations, etc., as illustrated in (22)-(25). Spell out the lexical entries in (22b), (23b), (24b) and (25b). Then, conflate all the **and** denotations into one schema, and all the **or** denotations into another schema.

- (20) a. It is raining and the sun is shining.  
 b.  $[[\mathbf{and}_{IP}]^{s,g}] = \lambda p_t. \lambda q_t. p=1 \wedge q=1$

- (21) a. Ann is female and [from Tahiti].  
 b.  $[[\mathbf{and}_{1-place}]^{s,g}] = \lambda P_{\langle e, t \rangle}. \lambda Q_{\langle e, t \rangle}. \lambda x_e. P(x) \wedge Q(x)$

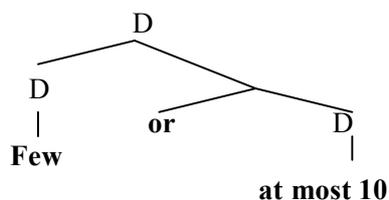
- (22) a. Ann kissed and hugged Bill.  
 b.  $[[\mathbf{and}_{Vtr}]^{s,g}] =$

- (23) a. Raquel showed and gave the book to Paul.  
 b.  $[[\mathbf{and}_{Vditr}]^{s,g}] =$



- b.  $[[\mathbf{and}_{Det}]^{s,g}] =$

- (25) a. Few or at most 10 students take tango lessons.



- b.  $[[\mathbf{or}_{Det}]^{s,g}] =$

### 3. Formal properties of Determiner denotations.

For any Determiner Denotation  $\text{Det}$  (hence, for any function of type  $\langle \langle e, t \rangle, \langle \langle e, t \rangle, t \rangle \rangle$ ), we can define the properties that follow. Take  $A, B$  to range over functions of type  $\langle e, t \rangle$ , and take  $A'$  and  $B'$  to be the NatLg expressions denoting  $A$  and  $B$ .

(26) $\text{Det}$ is REFLEXIVE iff for all $A_{\langle e, t \rangle}$ [such that $\text{Det}(A)(A)$ is defined]: $\text{Det}(A)(A) = 1$
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(27) Testing examples:

- Every** is reflexive, since, for an arbitrary  $A$  denoted by  $A'$ , the following necessarily holds:  $\llbracket \text{Every } A' \text{ (is) } A' \rrbracket = 1$
- At most n** is not reflexive, since, if  $|A| \geq n+1$ , the following does not hold:  
 $\llbracket \text{At most } n \text{ } A' \text{ (is/are) } A' \rrbracket = 1$

(28) $\text{Det}$ is IRREFLEXIVE iff for all $A_{\langle e, t \rangle}$ [such that $\text{Det}(A)(A)$ is defined]: $\text{Det}(A)(A) = 0$
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(29) Testing examples:

- Not every** is irreflexive, since, for an arbitrary  $A$  (denoted by  $A'$ ), the following necessarily holds:  $\llbracket \text{Not every } A' \text{ (is) } A' \rrbracket = 0$
- At most n** is not irreflexive, since, if  $|A| \leq n$ , the following does not hold:  
 $\llbracket \text{At most } n \text{ } A' \text{ (is/are) } A' \rrbracket = 0$

(30) $\text{Det}$ is SYMMETRIC iff for all $A_{\langle e, t \rangle}$ and $B_{\langle e, t \rangle}$ [ $\text{Det}(A)(B)$ is defined iff $\text{Det}(B)(A)$ is defined, and] $\text{Det}(A)(B) = 1$ iff $\text{Det}(B)(A) = 1$
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(31) Testing examples:

- Some** is symmetric, since, for an arbitrary  $A$  and  $B$ , the following holds:  
 $\llbracket \text{Some } A' \text{ (is/are) } B' \rrbracket = 1$  iff  $\llbracket \text{Some } B' \text{ (is/are) } A' \rrbracket = 1$
- Every** is not symmetric, since, for any two distinct  $A$  and  $B$ , it holds that:  
if  $\llbracket \text{Every } A' \text{ (is) } B' \rrbracket = 1$  then  $\llbracket \text{Every } B' \text{ (is) } A' \rrbracket = 0$

(32) $\text{Det}$ is CONSERVATIVE iff for all $A_{\langle e, t \rangle}$ and $B_{\langle e, t \rangle}$ [ $\text{Det}(A)(B)$ is defined iff $\text{Det}(A)(\lambda x. A(x) \wedge B(x))$ is defined, and] $\text{Det}(A)(B) = 1$ iff $\text{Det}(A)(\lambda x. A(x) \wedge B(x)) = 1$ (In set notation, $\text{Det}(A)(B) = 1$ iff $\text{Det}(A)(A \cap B) = 1$ )
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QUESTION 3: Test Determiners for conservativity. You can use the frame in (30).<sup>1</sup>

(33)  $\llbracket \text{___ } A' \text{ is } B' \rrbracket = 1$  iff  $\llbracket \text{___ } A' \text{ is an } A' \text{ that is } B' \rrbracket = 1$

<sup>1</sup> Other important properties are extension, isomorphism and universality, discussed in: van der Does, J., and J. van Eijck. 1995. "Basic Quantifier Theory", in van der Does - van Eijck. 1995. *Quantifiers, Logic, and Language*. Stanford: CSLI Publications. Pp. 1-45. See also Keenan, E. L., and J. Stavi. 1986. "A Semantic Characterization of Natural Language Determiners", *Linguistics and Philosophy* 9: 253-326.

(34) Det is LEFT UPWARD MONOTONE iff  
 for all  $A_{\langle e,t \rangle}$ ,  $B_{\langle e,t \rangle}$  and  $C_{\langle e,t \rangle}$ ,  
 if  $\forall x[A(x) \rightarrow B(x)]$  (in set terms,  $A \subseteq B$ ),  
 $\text{Det}(A)(C) = 1$   
 [and  $\text{Det}(B)(C)$  is defined],  
 then  $\text{Det}(B)(C) = 1$

(35) Sample test: **some** is left upward monotone.  
 $\forall x [ \llbracket \text{cow} \rrbracket (x) \rightarrow \llbracket \text{mammal} \rrbracket (x) ]$   
**Some [cow] [just ate the grass in my garden]** entails  
**Some [mammal] [just ate the grass in my garden].**

(36) Sample test: **every** is not left upward monotone.  
 $\forall x [ \llbracket \text{cow} \rrbracket (x) \rightarrow \llbracket \text{mammal} \rrbracket (x) ]$   
**Every [cow] [has four legs]** does NOT entail  
**Every [mammal] [has four legs].**

(37) Det is LEFT DOWNWARD MONOTONE iff  
 for all  $A_{\langle e,t \rangle}$ ,  $B_{\langle e,t \rangle}$  and  $C_{\langle e,t \rangle}$ ,  
 if  $\forall x[A(x) \rightarrow B(x)]$  (in set terms,  $A \subseteq B$ ),  
 $\text{Det}(B)(C) = 1$   
 [and  $\text{Det}(A)(C)$  is defined],  
 then  $\text{Det}(A)(C) = 1$

(38) Det is RIGHT UPWARD MONOTONE iff  
 for all  $A_{\langle e,t \rangle}$ ,  $B_{\langle e,t \rangle}$  and  $C_{\langle e,t \rangle}$ ,  
 if  $\forall x[A(x) \rightarrow B(x)]$  (in set terms,  $A \subseteq B$ ),  
 $\text{Det}(C)(A) = 1$   
 [and  $\text{Det}(C)(B)$  is defined],  
 then  $\text{Det}(C)(B) = 1$

(39) Det is RIGHT DOWNWARD MONOTONE iff  
 for all  $A_{\langle e,t \rangle}$ ,  $B_{\langle e,t \rangle}$  and  $C_{\langle e,t \rangle}$ ,  
 if  $\forall x[A(x) \rightarrow B(x)]$  (in set terms,  $A \subseteq B$ ),  
 $\text{Det}(C)(B) = 1$   
 [and  $\text{Det}(C)(A)$  is defined],  
 then  $\text{Det}(C)(A) = 1$

QUESTION 4: Evaluate the following determiners for monotonicity: **every**, **some**, **no**, **most**.

EXERCISE: Do exercises in book pp 152-3: **there**-insertion and negative polarity.

#### 4. Presuppositional Determiners.

[See detailed discussion in Heim-Kratzer pp.153-172]

##### ■ Intuitions:

(40) a. The black cat snores.  
Infelicitous utterance if the cardinality of the set containing the relevant black cats is not equal to 1.

(41) a. Neither cat snores.  
b. Both cats snore.  
Infelicitous if the cardinality of the set of relevant cats is not equal to 2.

##### ■ Defining their denotations [Note that the presupposition intuition could not be captured if we take a Determiner to denote a *relation* (=set of pairs) between sets]:

(42)  $[[\mathbf{Neither}]]^{s,g} =$

(43)  $[[\mathbf{Both}]]^{s,g} =$

##### ■ More examples:

(44) The two cats snore.

##### ■ Controversial examples: according to Aristotelian logic, (45) entails (46). Note that the PrL rough translation (45') does not entail (46'). Strawson tries to capture the relation between (45) and (46) in NatLg by making **every** presuppose that its first argument does not denote the empty set (or $\text{char}_{\emptyset}$ ).

(45) Every  $\alpha$  is  $\beta$ .

(46) Some  $\alpha$  is  $\beta$ .

(45')  $\forall x [ \alpha'(x) \rightarrow \beta'(x) ]$

(46')  $\exists x [ \alpha'(x) \wedge \beta'(x) ]$

(47)  $[[\mathbf{every}]]^{s,g} = \lambda X_{\langle e,t \rangle} : X \neq \text{char}_{\emptyset} . \lambda Y_{\langle e,t \rangle} . \forall z (X(z) \rightarrow Y(z))$