

TURNING CONTEXT INTO MEANING

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WAYS OF DEMONSTRATING (CLARK 1996)

→ *indicating*



'Can you jump over this spout?'

→ *demonstrating*



'then the house is like this'

OUTLINE

- 1 The gesture event
- 2 Gesture vectorisation
- 3 Pointing and deferred reference
- 4 Plurals

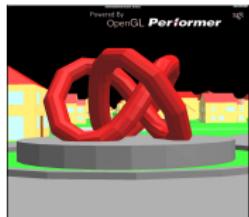
THE GESTURE EVENT

WHY DEMONSTRATIONS? (IMAGE SOURCES: SAGA/LÜCKING 2013)



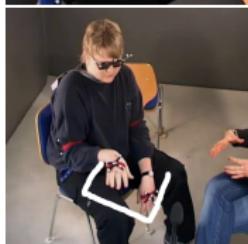
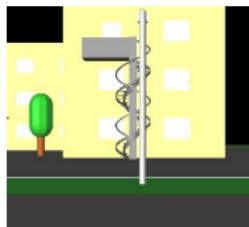
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→ good continuation



'Ich glaube das sollen TREPPEN sein'
'I think that should be staircases'

→ hyponym



'dann ist das Haus halt so'
'then the house is like this'

→ complete demonstration

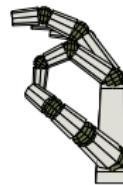


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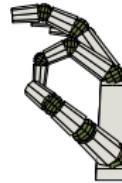


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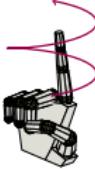


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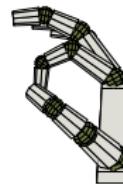


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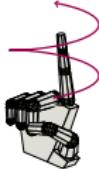


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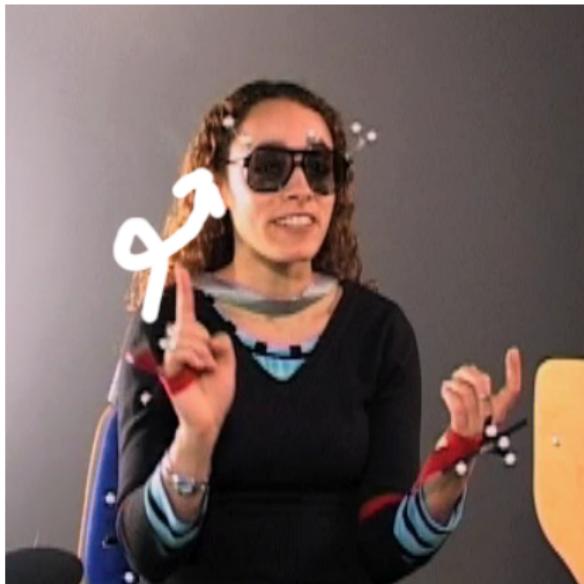
- 'mixed syntax' (Slama-Cazacu 1976)

He is a bit [rotating index finger on front of temple]

QUESTIONS

1. How is a gesture capable of
 - ▶ indicating linguistically unexpressed properties?
 - ▶ invoking hyponymic meanings of affiliated expressions?
 - ▶ providing complete demonstrations?
2. And how to integrate it into grammar?

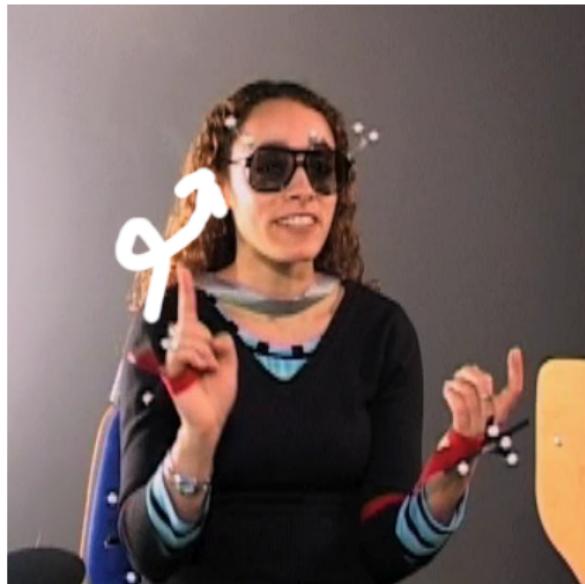
IDENTIFYING GESTURES



'Ich glaube das sollen Treppen sein'

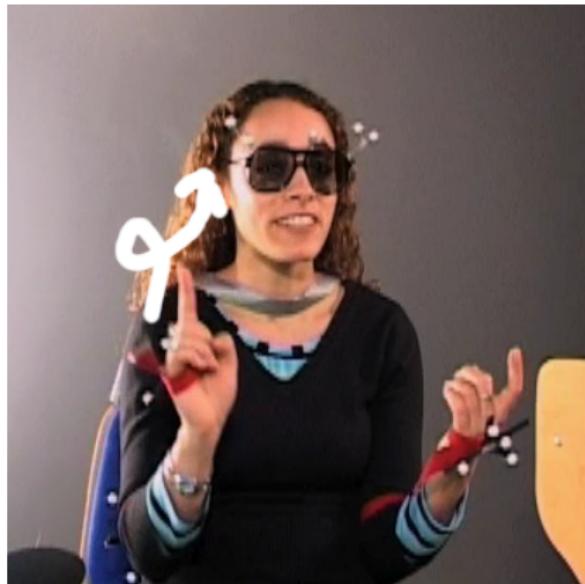
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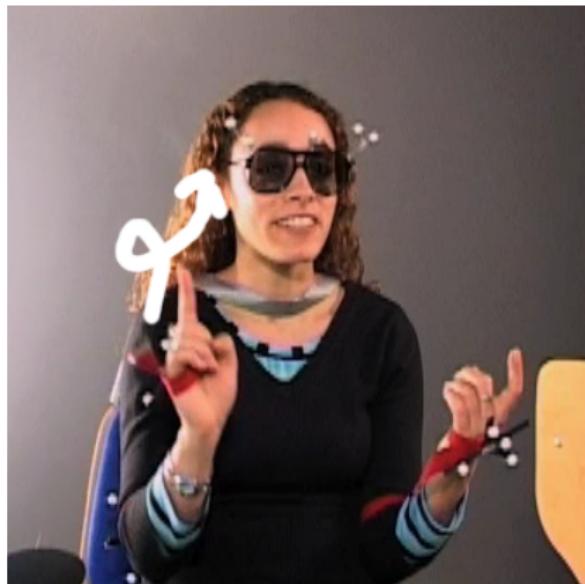
How many events are involved in the spiral gesture?

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Quickness can have different causal relations than mere movement.

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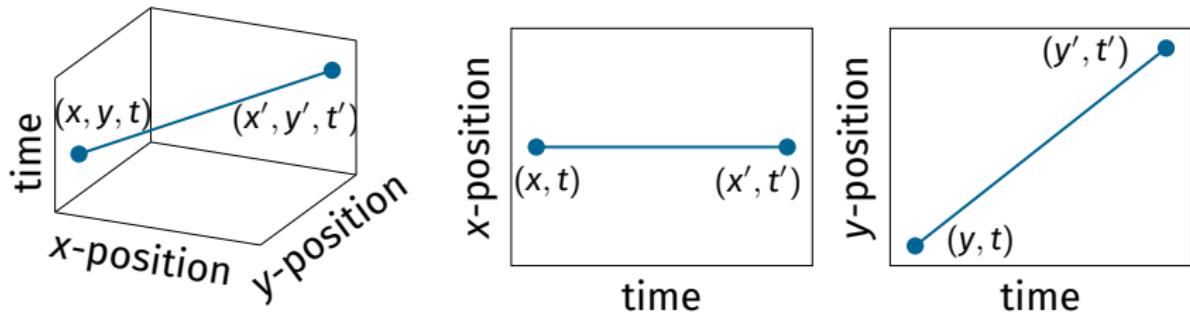
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FROM METAPHYSICS TO PERCEPTION

- Implicitly, the spiral upwards movement is treated as one single movement.
- But why not decompose it into two events?
 - e' : circular movement;
 - e'' : upward movement.
- (Lombard (1986)) has no decisive answer to the general question of what dimension(s) exactly span the quality space.



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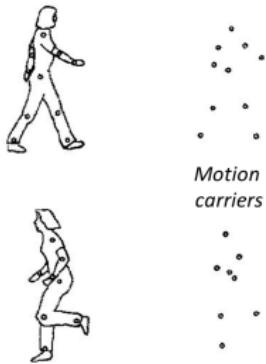
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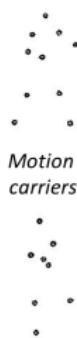
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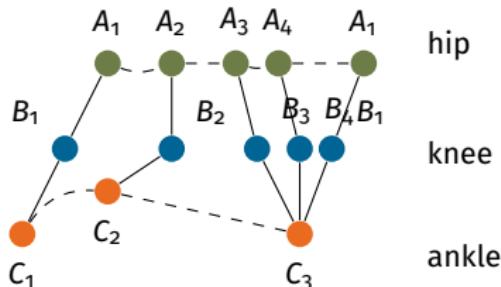
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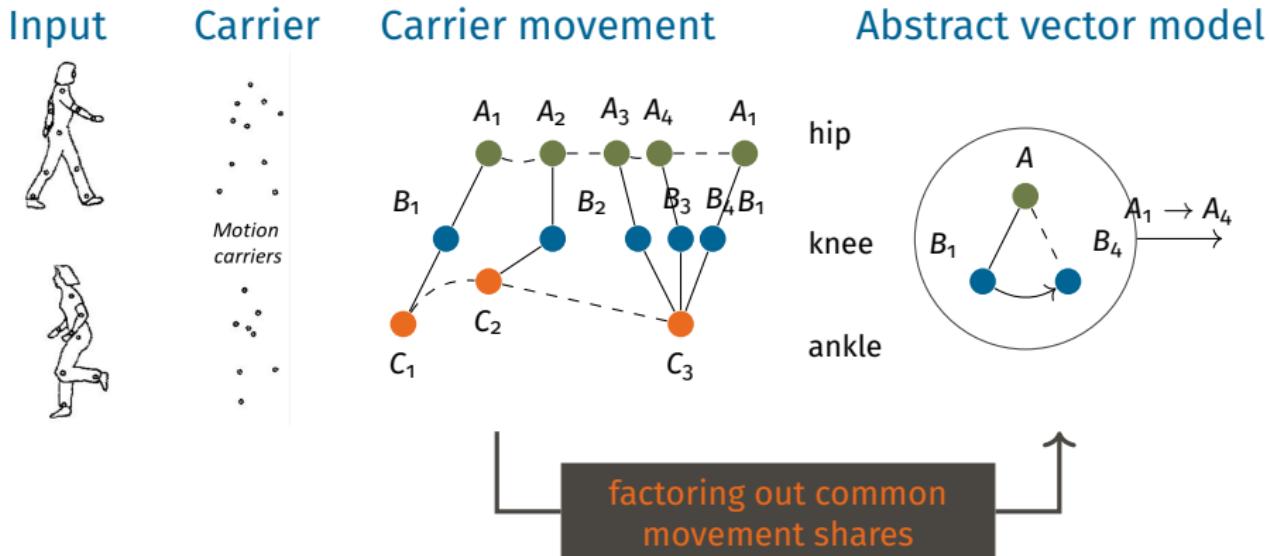


Motion carriers



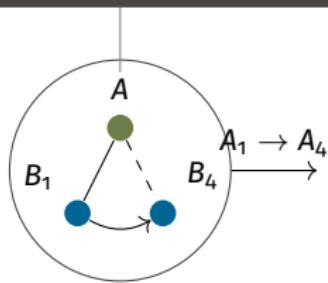
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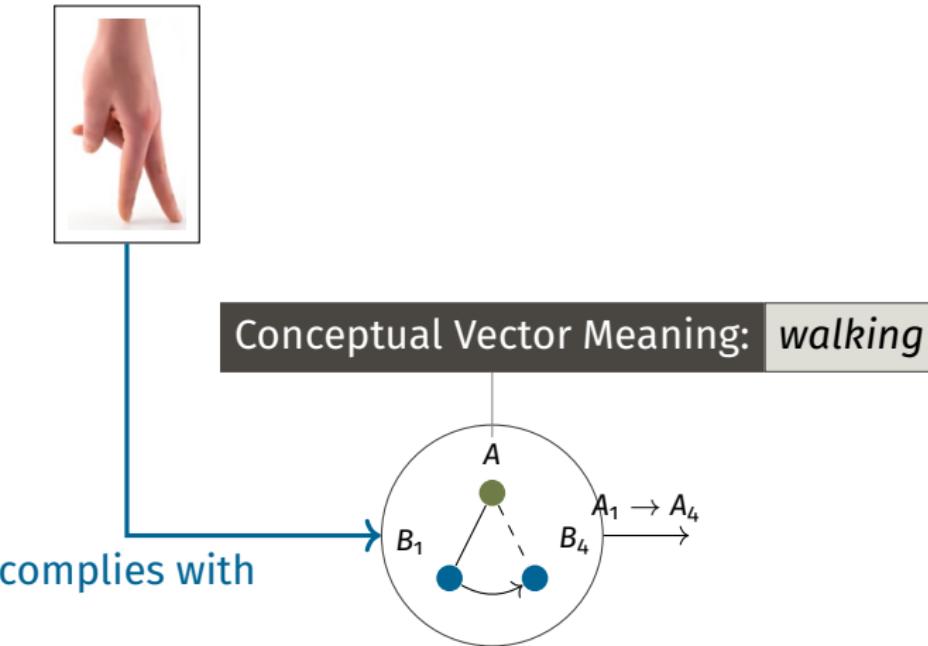


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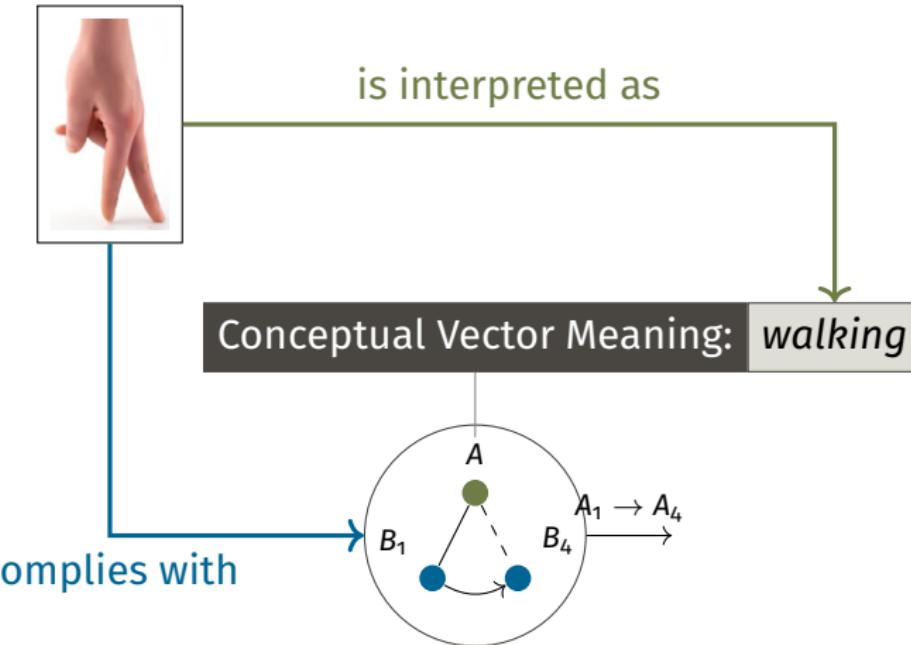
Conceptual Vector Meaning: *walking*



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GESTURE VECTORISATION

REPRESENTING GESTURES

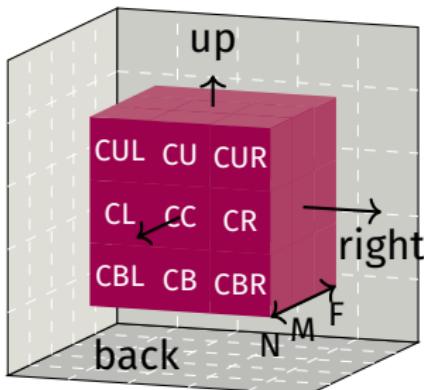


hand	= right
hs	= claw
carrier	= boh = none plm = none wrst = MR>MB>ML move = line>line>line
sync	= sloc = CBR-F eloc = CBR-N stime = 2:32 etime = 2:33
rel	= none

- Annotation format:
 - ▶ handedness (right, left)
 - ▶ handshape (modified ASL lexicon)
 - ▶ movement carrier (back-of-hand, palm or wrist; path of movement)
 - ▶ synchronized info (temporal, local)
 - ▶ relation to other hand
- The values of the features are of type AP (*annotation predicate*), e.g. [hs : AP]

GESTURE SPACE MODEL

start and end locations of gesture movements are given in terms of three-dimensional **gesture space** (adapted from McNeill 1992)



- CBL: center below left
- CL: center left
- CUL: center upper left
- CB: center below
- CC: center center
- ...: ...
- N: near
- M: middle
- F: far

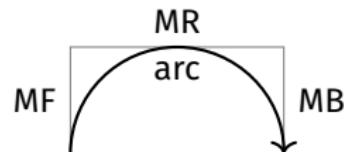
MOVEMENTS: LINES VS. ARCS

- A movement is captured in terms of a **direction** seen from the speaker (e.g. *move forward* (MF)) and
- a concatenation type which distinguishes straight (“line”) from roundish (“arc”) trajectories.
- Complex movements are built by combinations of directions ('>').

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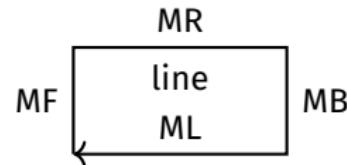
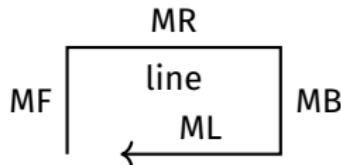


OPEN VS. CLOSED PATHS

- Movements are underspecified with regard to the lengths of the movement parts.
- Closed and open paths are discriminated in terms of the sync-feature.

wrst	= MF>MR>MB>ML
move	= line>line>line>line
sloc	= CC-M
eloc <i>≠</i> sloc	= CR-M

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ALTERNATIVE REPRESENTATION: GESTURE STRINGS

- Based on ‘String Theory of Events’ (Fernando 2007, Cooper 2012).
- The gesture annotation using ‘>’ is equivalent to a ‘string event’ notation using ‘ \wedge ’, using ‘ $\overset{\wedge}{line}$ ’ and ‘ $\overset{\wedge}{arc}$ ’ as line and arc variants.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{e} = & \left[\begin{array}{l} wrst = MF \\ sync = \begin{bmatrix} sloc = p1 \\ eloc = p2 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \right] \overset{\wedge}{line} \left[\begin{array}{l} wrst = MR \\ sync = \begin{bmatrix} sloc = p3 = p2 \\ eloc = p4 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \right] \\ & \overset{\wedge}{line} \left[\begin{array}{l} wrst = MB \\ sync = \begin{bmatrix} sloc = p5 = p4 \\ eloc = p6 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \right] \overset{\wedge}{line} \left[\begin{array}{l} wrst = ML \\ sync = \begin{bmatrix} sloc = p7 = p7 \\ eloc = p8 = p1 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

VECTOR TYPES

- Gesture annotations are mapped onto vector sequence representations \mathbf{p} form spatial vector semantics (Zwarts 2003):
 $\mathbf{p} : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbf{V}$.
- Format:
 - ▶ **Type:** axis, place, outline, ... (Zwarts 2005)
 - ▶ **Path:** description of contour (Zwarts 2003)
 - ▶ **Shapes:** shape constraint (cf. Weisgerber 2006)
- $\text{Vec} =_{\text{def}} \begin{bmatrix} \text{vt} : \text{Vtype} \\ \text{pt} : \text{Vpath} \\ \text{sh} : \text{multiset(Vshape)} \end{bmatrix}$
- Rule-based translation from gesture event to vector type: π_v and π_d .

Configuration	$=$	Vector π_v	\rightarrow	Constraints π_d
$\text{Handshape} \in \{\text{C, 5, B, O, Y}\}$ $\{\text{MF, MR, MB, ML}\}$	$=$	$\{\mathbf{u}\}$	\rightarrow	volume
	$=$	\mathbf{u}	\rightarrow	translational
\emptyset	$=$	-	\rightarrow	-
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$\text{lh.eloc} = \text{rh.eloc}$ [two-handed]	$=$	$\mathbf{w}(1) = \mathbf{x}(1)$	\rightarrow	closed
quadrant + quadrant + invers				semicircle
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VECTORIZING OUR EXAMPLE



- $\pi_v \left(\begin{bmatrix} wrst = MR > MB > ML \\ move = line > line > line \\ sync = \begin{bmatrix} sloc = p1 \\ eloc = p2 \neq p1 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} \right) = \left[pt1 : \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{v} \perp \mathbf{w} \\ \mathbf{u}(o) \neq \mathbf{w}(1) \end{bmatrix} \right]$
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(results of π_v and π_d are often lumped together in the following)

PERCEPTUAL CONTENTS



- The intensions of some predicates have a **Conceptual Vector Meaning (CVM)**, representing their perceptual impression in terms of **vector sequences** (Lücking 2013).

- [[U-shaped]] =

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{bg} = [x : \text{Ind}] \\ f = \lambda r : \text{bg} . \left(\begin{array}{l} c_u : \text{U-shaped}(r.x) \\ \text{cvm} = \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{vt} : \text{axis-path}(r.x, pt) \\ pt : \left[\begin{array}{l} \mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{v} \perp \mathbf{w} \\ \mathbf{u}(0) \neq \mathbf{w}(1) \end{array} \right] \\ sh : \{ \text{rectangular}, \text{open} \} \end{array} \right] : \text{Vec} \\ c_{\text{shape}} : \text{shape}(r.x, \text{cvm}) \end{array} \right) \end{array} \right]$$

Simple Update Model (Larsson 2015):

- ‘Standard update’ **C-upc** (informal):
if information state s_t is compatible with $\llbracket e \rrbracket.bg$, then update to $s_{t+1} = s_t + \llbracket e \rrbracket.bg$
- Gestures are part of the (list-valued) display situation (dp) of the utterance of an expression at a given state s_t .
- ‘Gesture update’ **C-upc** (informal):
if a gesture occurs at s_t , it updates $\llbracket e \rrbracket.cvm$ in s_{t+1} and adds a **perceptual linking constraint ‘cvm=dp’**.

DEMONSTRATION



'dann ist das Haus halt so'

'then the house is like this'



Annotation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \text{wrst} = \text{MR} > \text{MB} > \text{ML} \\ \text{move} = \text{line} > \text{line} > \text{line} \\ \text{sync} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{sloc} = p_1 \\ \text{eloc} = p_2 \neq p_1 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

Vector representation:

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PROCESSING HOUSE

- Lexical entry: $\llbracket \text{house} \rrbracket =$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{bg} &= [x : \text{Ind}] \\ f &= \lambda r : \text{bg} . \left(\left[\begin{array}{l} c_{\text{hs}} : \text{house}(r.x) \\ \text{cvm} : \text{Vec} \\ c_{\text{shape}} : \text{shape}(r.x, \text{cvm}) \end{array} \right] \right) \end{aligned}$$

- Information state after processing the noun:

$$s_{t+1} = \left[\begin{array}{l} x : \text{Ind} \\ c_{\text{hs}} : \text{house}(x) \\ \text{cvm} : \text{Vec} \\ c_{\text{shape}} : \text{shape}(x, \text{cvm}) \end{array} \right]$$

ADDING GESTURE

- Gesture updates cvm of s_{t+2} and introduces additional predicate *U-shaped* via perceptual linking:

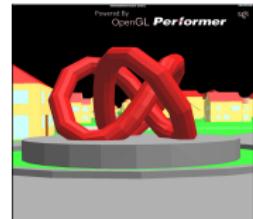
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- \approx 'U-shaped house'

MODIFIER + GOOD CONTINUATION



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hands = both

hand = right
 hs = C

rh = carrier = $\begin{bmatrix} \text{wrst} = \text{MR} > \text{MF} \\ \text{move} = \text{arc} \end{bmatrix}$

sync = $\begin{bmatrix} \text{sloc} = \text{lh.sync.sloc} = \text{CC-N} \\ \text{eloc} = \text{CR-M} \end{bmatrix}$

lh = hand = left
 hs = C

carrier = $\begin{bmatrix} \text{wrst} = \text{ML} > \text{MF} \\ \text{move} = \text{arc} \end{bmatrix}$

sync = $\begin{bmatrix} \text{sloc} = \text{CC-N} \\ \text{eloc} = \text{CL-M} \end{bmatrix}$

rel = axisymmetric

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GOOD CONTINUATION



GoCont can be formulated as a constraint over types of input and output display situations:

GoCont =_{def}

$$\lambda r: \left[\begin{array}{l} ap1 = \text{open} : AP \\ cc = \widehat{line} \vee \widehat{arc} : Vpath \\ \left[sh : \text{set}(AP) \right] \\ dp_{in} : \left[pt : Vpath \atop vt : Vtype \right] \\ c_{memb} : \text{member}(ap1, dp_{in}.sh) \\ c_{conc} : \text{member}(cc, dp_{in}.pt) \\ cvm : \emptyset \end{array} \right] . \left(T = \left[\begin{array}{l} svec : Vpath \\ c_{cond} : \text{init}(svec, r.pt) \\ \text{spt} = \text{svec}^{-1} : Vpath \\ dp_{out} : \left[\begin{array}{l} pt = \left[r.dp_{in}.pt \atop \text{r.cc spt} \right] \\ r.dp_{in}.pt(o) = \text{spt}(1) \end{array} \right] \\ vt = r.dp_{in}.vt : Vtype \end{array} \right] \right) . \pi_d(T)$$

- Idea: if shape is **open**, get the concatenation type (\widehat{line} or \widehat{arc}) and suffix it at the output
- Add a new vector that is inverse to the start of the input vector (where ‘init’ is taken from ([Cooper ms](#))) such that the new output path is closed

APPLYING GoCont



Applying (the two-handed extension of) *GoCont* to the incomplete gesture gives rise to a voluminous circle, that is, a **cylinder**:

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UPDATE OF ALL RESOURCES



$x \quad : \text{Ind}$ $\text{dp} \quad = \text{GoCont} \left(\begin{bmatrix} \text{pt} = \{\mathbf{a} \circ \mathbf{b} \circ \mathbf{c}\} \\ \text{sh} = \{\text{semicircle, volume, open}\} \end{bmatrix} \right)$ $s_{t+1} = \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \text{vt} = \text{shape-path}(x, \text{cvm}) \\ \text{pt} = \begin{bmatrix} \{\mathbf{a} \circ \mathbf{b} \circ \mathbf{c} \circ \mathbf{d} \circ \mathbf{e}\} \\ \mathbf{a}(0) = \mathbf{e}(1) \end{bmatrix} : \text{Vec} \\ \text{sh} = \{\text{circle, volume, closed}\} \end{bmatrix}$ $\text{cvm} = \text{dp} : \text{Vec}$ $c_{cb} \quad : \text{concrete-base}(x)$ $c_{cy} \quad : \text{cylinder}(x)$ $c_{shape} \quad : \text{shape}(x, \text{cvm})$
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POINTING AND DEFERRED REFERENCE

WAYS OF DEMONSTRATING (CLARK 1996)

→ *demonstrating*



'then the house is like this'

→ *indicating*



'Can you jump over this spout?'

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 - ▶ No representation of **demonstration act**.

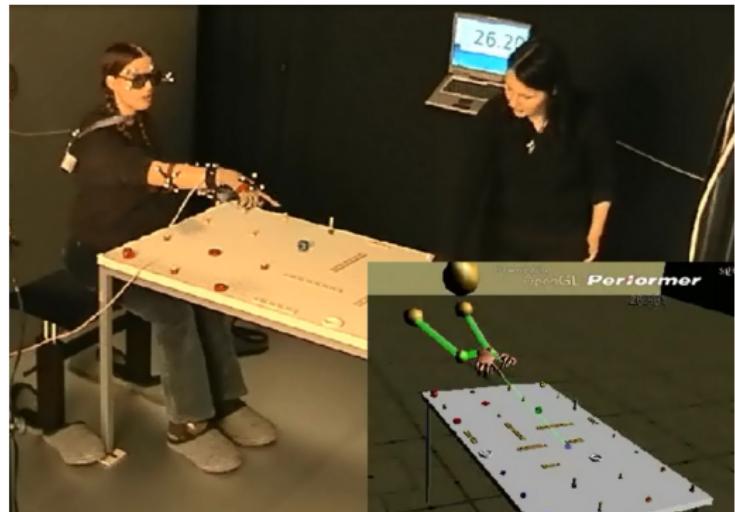
- The *reprise content* of exophoric DemNPs is *restricted to the index*.

- (1) A. This[] painting is by Chagall.
B. This[] painting?
~~ *The object over there?*
~~ ?? *What do you mean “painting”?*
~~ ?? *Which one?*
- A. Right, this painting. / No, the one to the left.
?? Well, maybe it's a drawing.

NO INDEX FOR ENDOPHORICS

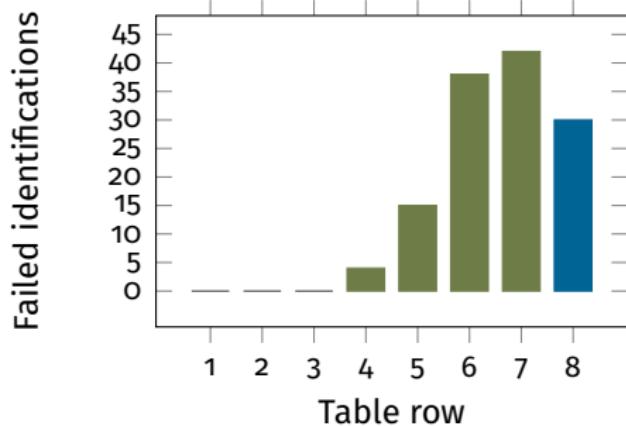
- Only unspecific clarification,
no index available.
- (2) A. I saw a painting_j yesterday.
This painting_j was shocking.
- B. This painting?
~~ ?? *The object over there?*
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- A. The painting I saw yesterday / I just mentioned.
?? This one.
?? Yes/No.

DIRECT REFERENCE? (LÜCKING, PFEIFFER & RIESER 2015)



- *Experimental pragmatics study.*
- *Tracking of pointer: simulate and ‘measure’ pointing.*

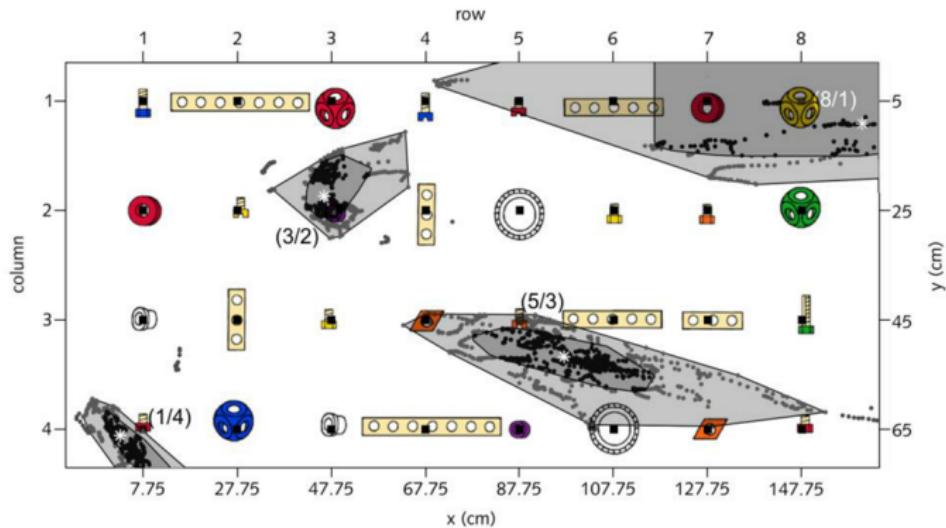
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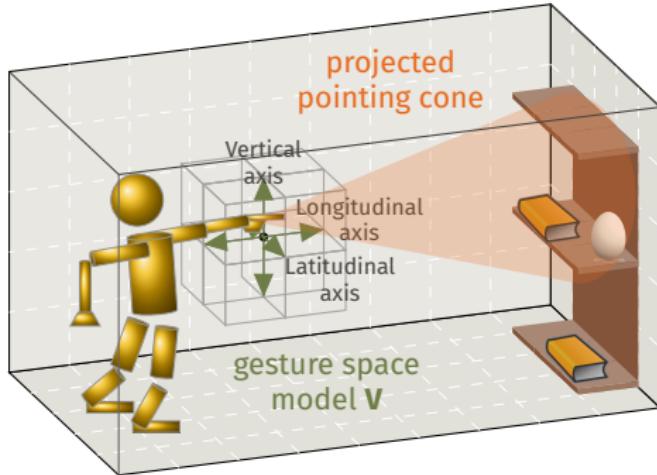
- For the addressee, the identifying force of pointings ceases in distal area.
- Note: decrease in row 8 due to 'gestural hyperbole'.

POINTING CONE (LÜCKING, PFEIFFER & RIESER 2015)

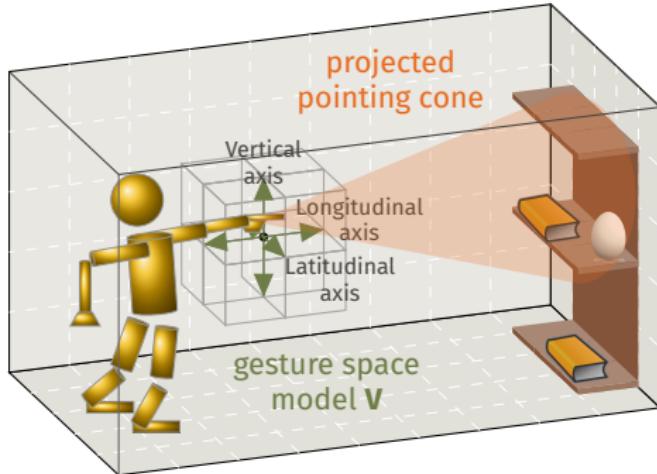
- Even in proximal area pointings do not hit their targets.
- Demonstrative reference rests on a *pre-semantic pragmatic inference*.



SPATIAL SEMANTICS (LÜCKING STILL NOT PUBLISHED...)



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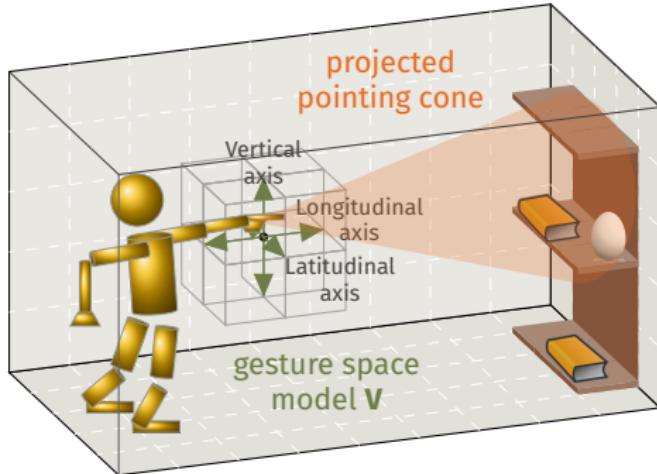


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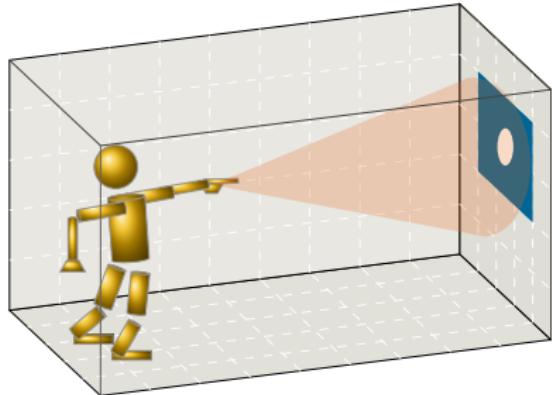
In short: $[\text{pointing}](s) \mapsto \text{max}$;

- This[] book is great:

$\lambda s. \text{book in } s' \& [\text{great}]^{s'} \mapsto \text{max}_i$ is great in s .
(using Elbourne's (2013) situation semantics system)

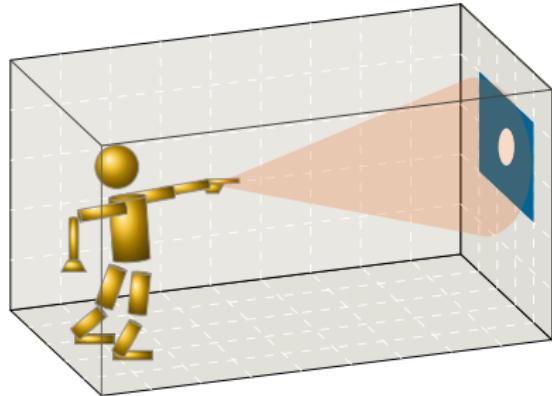
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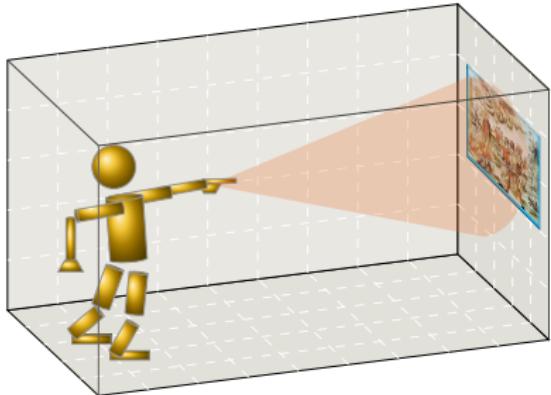
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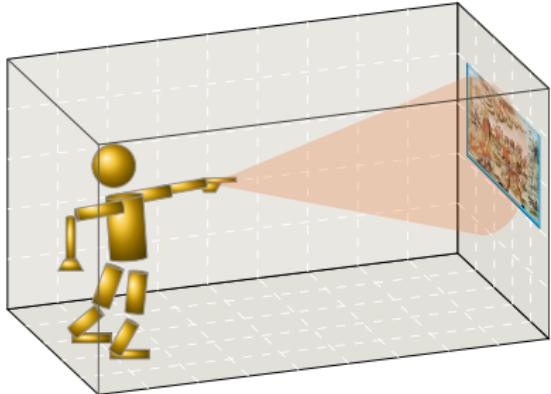
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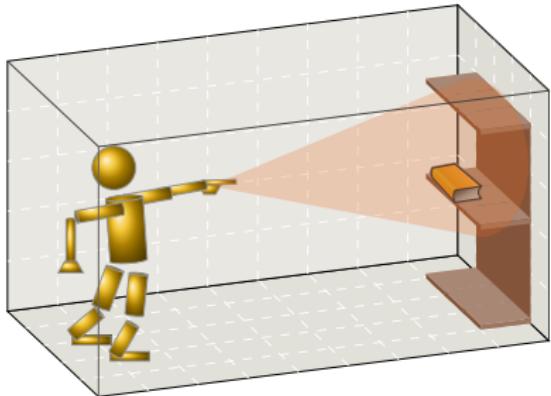
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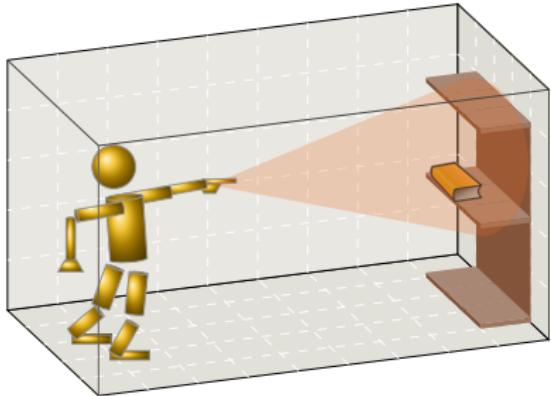
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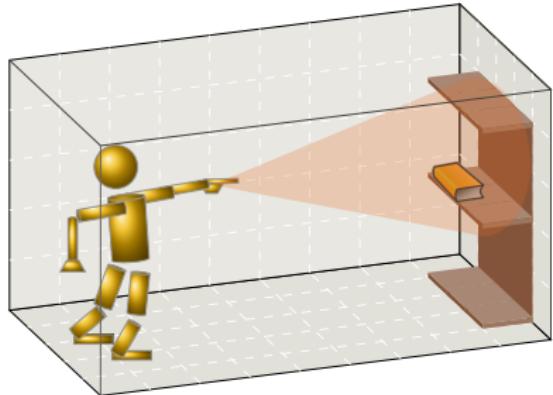
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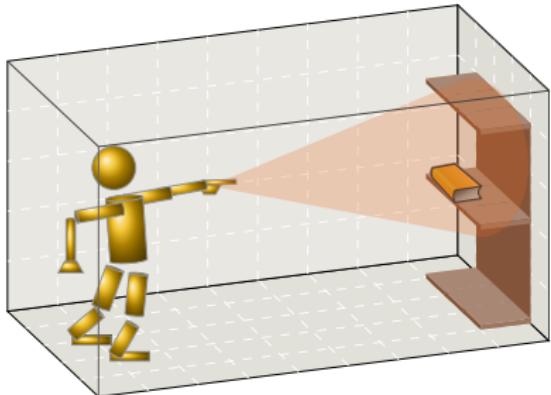
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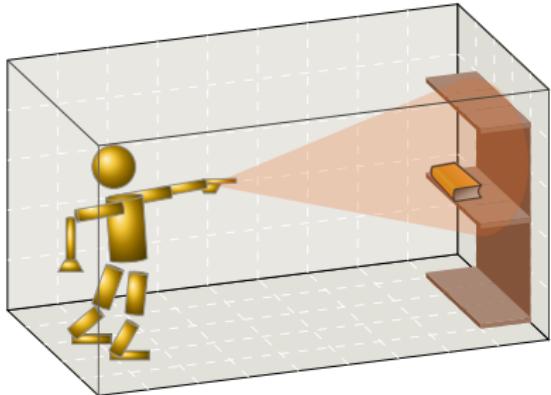
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'salient functional relation':

1. factual *lies-on* relation.
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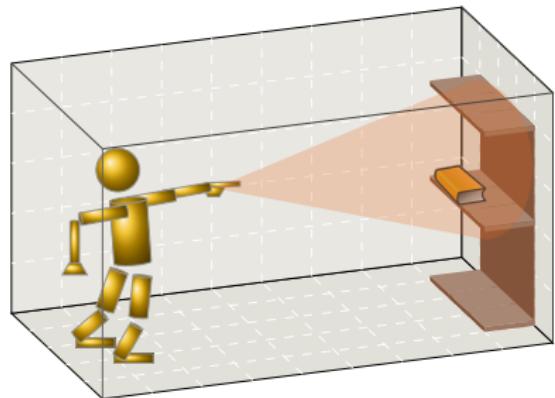
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- Contra-intuitive
- Four meanings (two deferrals, two double deferrals) more than necessary: violation of a variant of *Modified Occam's Razor* (Grice 1978): **Do not multiply deferrals beyond necessity!**



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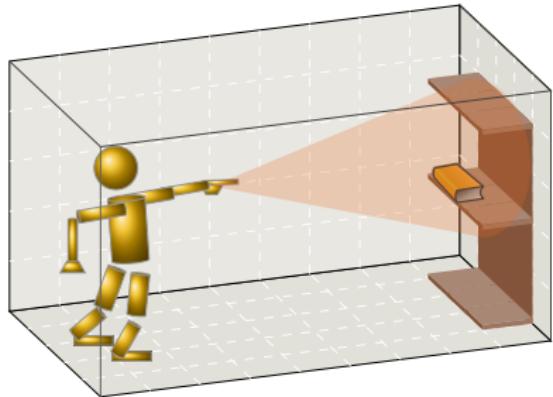
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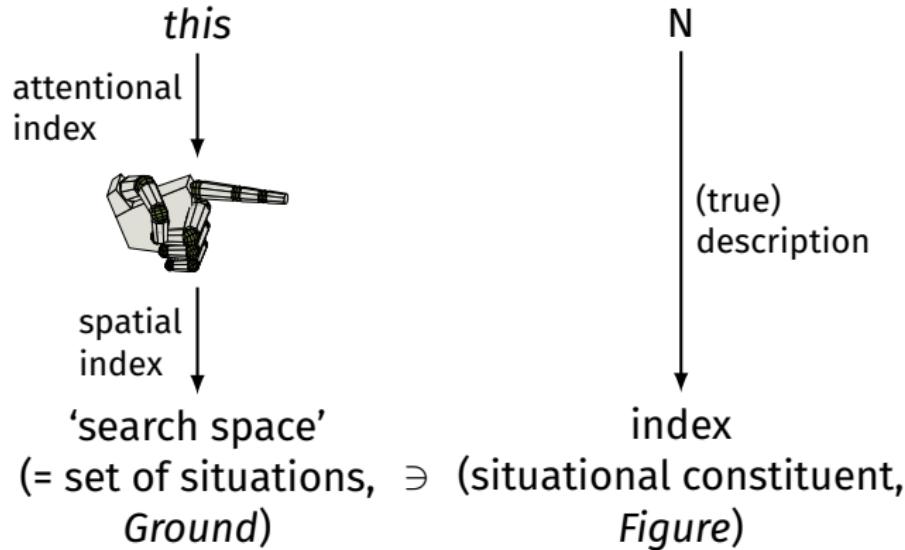
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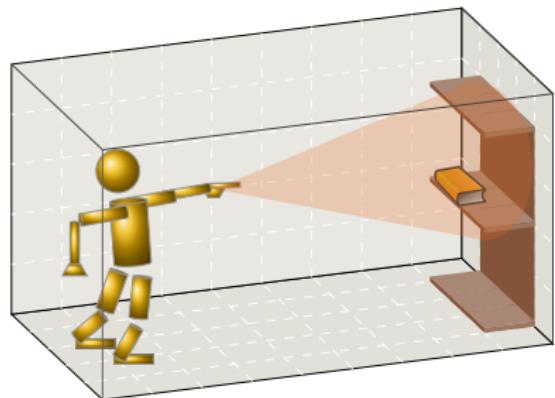


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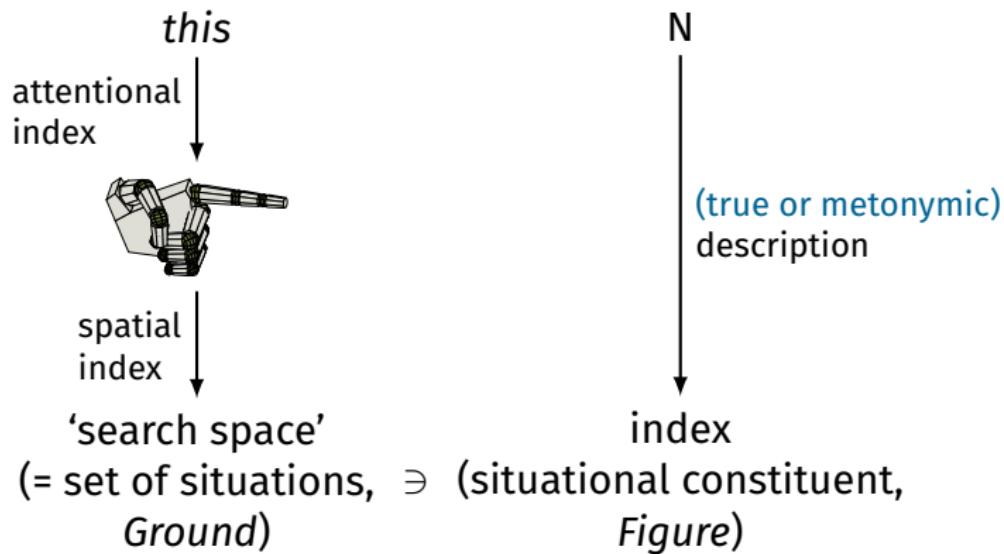


RECONSIDERING THE RE-ANALYSIS

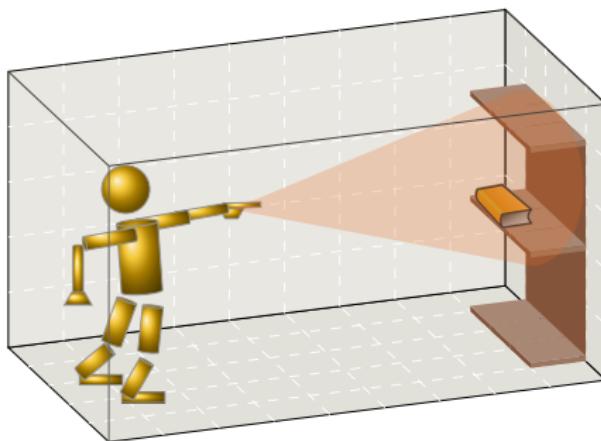
- Depending on George saying
 - ▶ 'That book/publisher'
 - ▶ 'That shelf/craftsman'
- the **index** is understood to be the book or the bookshelf, respectively.
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NEW PROPOSAL: FIGURE-GROUND MODEL, MODIFIED

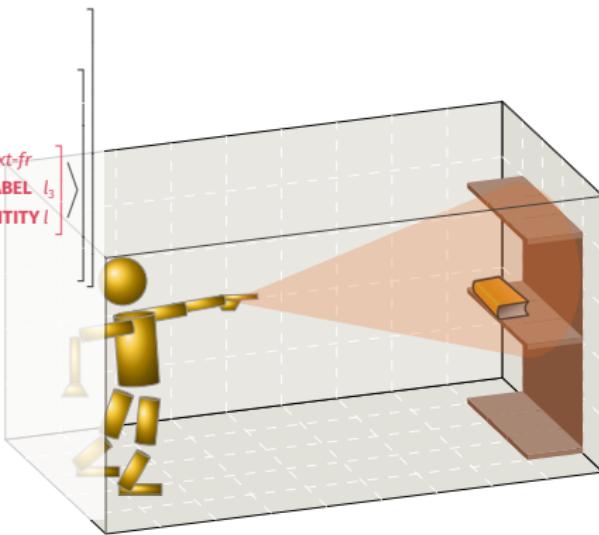


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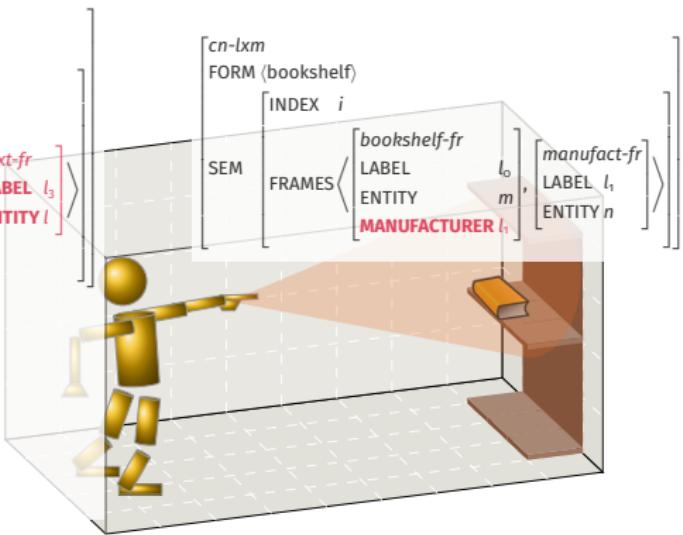
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EXTENDED JUDGMENTS

- Let $Fr(\phi)$ be the frame elements of a type ϕ .
- A situation s extendedly exemplifies a type T , $s :: T$, iff
 - ▶ $s : T$, or
 - ▶ there is a type T' such that $Fr(T) \cap Fr(T') \neq \emptyset$ and $s : T'$ (indirect classification).

WRONG PREDICTION FOR ANAPHORIC USES?

Nunberg (2004:271) argues that metonymic uses of demonstratives do not extend to discourse.

Nunberg's example

I can point at Tiger Woods and say (25):

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But this use of the demonstrative doesn't have a parallel in (26):

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THIN OR THICK TIGER WOODS

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Upshot

Exophoric reference differs from endophoric reference: the former provides **thick particulars** while discourse referents are **thin particulars**.

PLURALS



'die rechte Kirche die hat zwei spitze Türme'
the church to the right it has to pointed towers

- LF of **two pointed towers** contributes group variable X and member variable y :
 $\exists X [\forall y [y \in X \rightarrow \text{tower}'(y) \wedge \text{pointed}'(y)] \wedge |X| = 2]$
- Gesture interpretation:
 - ▶ Each hand/finger represents one of the towers.
 - ▶ Neither attaching the gesture to X nor to y captures the desired interpretation.

HOW TO DETECT DENOTATIONS? (LÜCKING, COOPER & GINZBURG U.REV.)

Linguistic theorizing has to come up with all denotations, but only those denotations, that exhibit the property of being *referentially transparent*.

Referential transparency (RT)

The semantic representation of an NP is referentially transparent if

- a. it provides antecedents for **pronominal anaphora**
- b. it provides the semantic type asked for by a **clarification request**
- c. it provides an attachment site for **co-verbal gestures**

ANATOMY OF QNPs (LÜCKING, COOPER & GINZBURG U.REV.)

- Our proposal: set/ind-based model of quantified noun phrases (QNPs).



$$NP_{\text{sem}} \mapsto \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{dgb-params} : [\theta : \mathbb{N}] \\ \\ \text{q-params} : \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{maxset} : \text{Set(Ind)} \\ \text{c1} : \xrightarrow{\text{Ppty}} (\text{maxset}) \\ \text{refset} : \text{Set(Ind)} \\ \text{compset} : \text{Set(Ind)} \\ \text{c2} : \text{partition(refset, compset, maxset)} \end{array} \right] \\ \\ \text{q-cond} : \text{Rel(q-params.refset, q-params.compset)} \vee \text{Rel(refset, } \theta) \\ \\ \text{q-persp} : \text{refset} = \emptyset \vee \text{refset} \neq \emptyset \vee \text{none} \end{array} \right]$$

- Every component is **referentially transparent**, that is, directly relates to clarification requests or pronominal anaphora.

ANATOMY OF QNPs

NP_{sem}

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WHY INDIVIDUALS AND SETS?

- (3) a. TERRY: Richard hit **the ball** on the car.
NICK: **What ball?** [~~ *What ball do you mean by 'the ball'?*]
TERRY: **James [last name]’s football.** [→ **individual**]
(BNC file KR2, sentences 862, 865–866)
- b. RICHARD: No I’ll commute **every day**
ANON 6: **Every day?** [~~ *Is it every day you’ll commute?*]
[~~ *Is it every day you’ll commute?*]
[~~ *Which days do you mean by every day?*]
RICHARD: as if, er **Saturday and Sunday** [→ **set**]
ANON 6: And all holidays?
RICHARD: Yeah [pause]

- Accepted answers in terms of **individuals** and **sets**, not sets of sets. (Purver & Ginzburg 2004)
- **Against** type raising involved in generalised quantifier theory.

DESCRIPTIVE QUANTIFIER CONDITION

q-cond

$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{dgb-params} : [\theta : \mathbb{N}] \\ \text{q-cond} : \text{Rel}(\text{q-params.refset}, \text{q-params.compset}) \vee \text{Rel}(\text{refset}, \theta) \end{array} \right]$

- (4) A: Few students left. B: What do you mean by ‘few’?
- Less than half. $\rightarrow \text{Rel}(\text{refset}, \text{compset})$
 - Just two, I think. $\rightarrow \text{Rel}(\text{refset}, \theta)$

(Note: θ is also required to prevent any *van Benthem problem*.)

maxset / refset

q-params : $\begin{bmatrix} \text{maxset} : \text{Set}(Ind) \\ \text{refset} : \text{Set}(Ind) \end{bmatrix}$

- (5) **Most demonstrators** came to the rally,
- and **they** raised their placards.
→ *refset (demonstrators coming to the rally)*
 - but **they all** received an invitation.
→ *maxset (all demonstrators)*

COMPLEMENT SET

compset

$\left[\text{q-params} : \left[\text{compset} : \text{Set}(\text{Ind}) \right] \right]$

- (6) a. **Few music lovers** admire Reger. **They** prefer Mozart.
→ compset (*music lovers not admiring Reger*)
- b. **Many music lovers** admire Reger. ? **They** prefer Mozart.

Compset anaphora only available with downward monotone proportional quantifier? (Nouwen 2003)

QUANT. PERSPECTIVE: EXPECTANCY (MOXEY & SANFORD 1986)

q-persp

$[q\text{-persp} : \text{refset} = \emptyset \vee \text{refset} \neq \emptyset \vee \text{none}]$

- (7) a. A: Few students passed the exam. $[q\text{-persp} : \text{refset} = \emptyset]$
b. B: Did any? / But someone did?
c. ?B: Did all? / Someone failed?
- (8) a. A: Many students passed the exam. $[q\text{-persp} : \text{refset} \neq \emptyset]$
b. ?B: Did any? / But someone did?
c. B: Did all? / Someone failed?
- ‘positive’ QNP: $\text{refset} \neq \emptyset$, ‘negative’ QNP: $\text{refset} = \emptyset$
 - Availability constraint: Compset is available as antecedent just in case $[q\text{-persp} : \text{refset} = \emptyset]$



■ complex reference objects (CROs)

(Eschenbach et al. 1989): group structures that also make available their members, **pointer objects**.

- a. A couple was walking by.
- b. He was wearing glasses, she was wearing a hat.

■ pointer objects are introduced for numbers smaller than 3:

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phon    : /two pointed towers/
          [refset: Set(Ind)
           c1   : tower(refset)
           x1   : Ind
           x2   : Ind
           i1   : member(refset,x1)
           i2   : member(refset,x2)]
q-params:
cont   = [q-cond : |q-params.refset = 2|] Rectype
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A: 'Also dann waren es eigentlich fünf Sachen'—B: 'Fünf müssen's sein, ja'

A: Well, then there actually were five things—B Five it has to be, yes

While uttering 'five', the speaker shows a five-finger hand, **symbolizing** the cardinal expression.



'wenn du halt diese sechs Fenster
hast—eins, zwei, drei, vier, fünf,
sechs'

well when you have these six
windows—one, two, three, four, five,
six

Counting

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➔ no CROs are constructed by means of symbolizing, counting or 'distributing'

FINAL THOUGHTS

- Why a '**one-two-many**' number system for pointer objects?
- It is remarkable that paying attention to the many aspects of multimodal, face-to-face interaction often has **repercussions to standard semantic theory**.
- Do we need different semantics for **written and spoken** language?

THE END

APPENDIX: PLURAL TYPES

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- If T is type with arity $\langle Ind \rangle$, then \overrightarrow{T} is the corresponding **plural type** with arity $\langle Set(Ind) \rangle$.
- **set type:** $Set(Ind)$, set judgements licensed in virtue of some group constituting property (e.g., perceptual grouping from Gestalt psychology)
- Accordingly, there are different ways of applying \overrightarrow{T} to a witnessing record, namely in terms of **teams** and **meetings**.

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$$r = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 = a \\ l_2 = b \\ l_3 = \begin{bmatrix} l_4 = c \\ l_5 = d \end{bmatrix} \\ l_6 = e \end{bmatrix}$$

with a, b, c, d and e being of type Ind .

- $\text{meeting}(r, \text{Ind})$ returns the set $\{a, b, c, d, e\}$, being of type $\text{Set}(\text{Ind})$.
- $\text{meeting}(l_3, \text{Ind}) = \{c, d\} : \text{Set}(\text{Ind})$.
- $\text{meeting}(r, \text{Set}(\text{Ind})) = \{\{c, d\}\} : \text{Set}(\text{Set}(\text{Ind}))$

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- $\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{tc} = \text{team}(\text{meeting}(r, \text{Ind})) : \text{Ind} \\ \text{cc} : \text{circle}(\text{tc}) \end{array} \right]$

GATHERING

- ‘Peter, Paul and Mary gather.’
- $$\left[\begin{array}{l} p : Ind \\ c_1 : \text{named}(p, \text{'Peter'}) \\ a : Ind \\ c_2 : \text{named}(a, \text{'Paul'}) \\ m : Ind \\ c_3 : \text{named}(m, \text{'Mary'}) \end{array} \right] , \left[\begin{array}{l} s : \text{Set}(Ind) \\ c_4 : \text{gather}(s) \end{array} \right]$$

(‘gather’ is a collective predicate)
- $$\left[\begin{array}{l} p : Ind \\ c_1 : \text{named}(p, \text{'Peter'}) \\ a : Ind \\ c_2 : \text{named}(a, \text{'Paul'}) \\ m : Ind \\ c_3 : \text{named}(m, \text{'Mary'}) \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{l} c_4 : \text{gather(meeting}(s, Ind)) \end{array} \right]$$

PIANO CARRYING I

Example

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} x : Set(Ind) \\ \hline c : \text{carry-a-piano}(x) \end{array} \right].$$

Witness set: $meeting(\text{ctxt}, Ind) = \{u, v, w\} : Set(Ind)$

- carry-a-piano(l_1), carry-a-piano(l_2) and carry-a-piano(l_3),
that is, **fully distributive**; corresponding record:
$$\text{ctxt} = \left[\begin{array}{l} l_1 = u \\ l_2 = v \\ l_3 = w \end{array} \right].$$
- carry-a-piano($\text{team}(meeting(\text{ctxt}, Ind))$) (u, v and w form a team), **outside collective**; corresponding record:
$$\text{ctxt} = \left[\begin{array}{l} l_1 = u \\ l_2 = v \\ l_3 = w \end{array} \right].$$

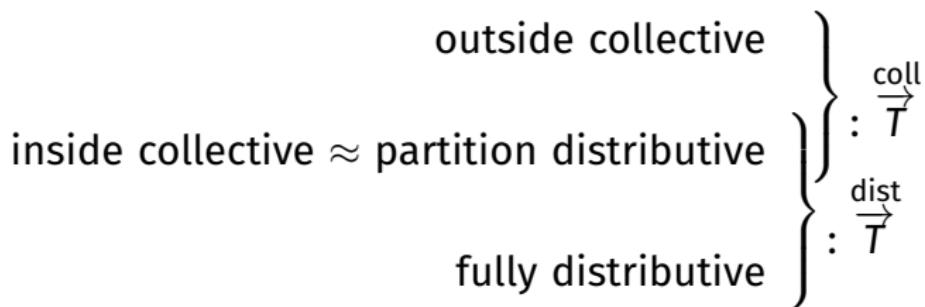
PIANO CARRYING II

- carry-a-piano(l_1) and carry-a-piano($\text{team}(\text{meeting}(l_4, \text{Ind}))$ (v and w form a team), **partition distributive** or **inside collective**; corresponding record:

$$\text{ctxt} = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 = u \\ l_4 = \begin{bmatrix} l_2 = v \\ l_3 = w \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

POLYMORPHISM

- Inside collective focuses on sets, partition distributive focuses on individuals (this is part of what collective distinguishes from distributive).
- However, both allow for teams and hence may coincide.



- This overlap may offer an explanation for different taxonomies for collectivity/distributivity proposed in the literature.

APPENDIX: WHAT ABOUT SCOPE?

CLARIFICATION PATTERN

- (9) a. Every dog chased a cat.
b. Every student speaks two languages

Referential clarification pattern:

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- ➔ functional *Wh*-question and same/different distinction
- ➔ clarified: **assignments** of dogs to cats/students to languages

FUNCTIONAL INTERPRETATIONS

The semantic type of two *languages*:

$$(11) \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{q-params : } \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{refset : } \text{Set}(Ind) \\ c : \xrightarrow{\text{language}}(\text{refset}) \end{array} \right] \\ \text{q-cond : } |\text{refset}| = 2 \end{array} \right]$$

is re-interpreted as a **dependent function type**:

$$(12) \quad f : [x : Ind] \mapsto \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{q-params : } \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{refset : } \text{Set}(Ind) \\ c : \xrightarrow{\text{language}}(\text{refset}) \end{array} \right] \\ \text{q-cond : } |\text{refset}| = 2 \end{array} \right]$$

The function from (12) depends on some individual x.

EXAMPLE

Every student speaks two languages

$$\begin{aligned} \text{phon} &: \text{List}(\text{every student speaks two languages}) \\ &\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{refset_s} : \text{Set}(\text{Ind}) \\ \text{c_s} : \xrightarrow{\text{dist}} \text{student}(\text{refset_s}) \end{array} \right] \\ \text{q-params}: & \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{f} : [\text{x: Ind}] \mapsto \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{q-params} : \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{refset} : \text{Set}(\text{Ind}) \\ \text{c} : \xrightarrow{\text{language}} \text{language}(\text{refset}) \end{array} \right] \\ \text{q-cond} : |\text{refset}| = 2 \end{array} \right] \end{array} \right] \\ \text{cont} &= \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{sit} = s1 : \text{Rec} \\ \text{q-cond_s} : |\text{refset_s}| = |\text{maxset_s}| \\ \text{sit-type} = \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{nucl} : \xrightarrow{\text{dist}} \text{speak}^{1,2}(\text{refset_s}, \text{f}(\text{refset_s}).\text{q-params.refset}) \\ \text{anti-nucl} : \xrightarrow{\text{dist}} \neg \text{speak}^{1,2}(\text{compset_s}, \text{f}(\text{compset_s}).\text{q-params.refset}) \end{array} \right] : \text{RecType} \end{array} \right] : \text{Prop} \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE

The described situation involves a witness set of three students:

$$(13) \quad \text{ctxt} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 = \text{Tick} \\ x_2 = \text{Trick} \\ x_3 = \text{Track} \end{bmatrix} : \text{Rec}$$

Applying the dependent function to ctxt results in the following pair-list reading:

$$(14) \quad \left[\text{nucl} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{speak}(\text{ctxt}.x_1, 2L.\text{q-params.refset}), \\ \text{speak}(\text{ctxt}.x_2, 2L.\text{q-params.refset}), \\ \text{speak}(\text{ctxt}.x_3, 2L.\text{q-params.refset}) \end{array} \right\} : \overline{\text{dist}} \text{speak}^{1,2}(\text{refset}_s, f(\text{refset}_s).\text{q-params.refset}) \right]$$

Each student $\text{ctxt}.x_1$, $\text{ctxt}.x_2$, $\text{ctxt}.x_3$ is related to the refset of type '2L' which abbreviates the type of two-languages:

$$(15) \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{q-params} : \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{refset} : \text{Set}(\text{Ind}) \\ c : \overrightarrow{\text{language}}(\text{refset}) \end{array} \right] \\ \text{q-cond} : |\text{refset}| = 2 \end{array} \right]$$

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