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### **Wild Control Operators**

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Continuations provide insight into natural language meanings. In the other direction, there are natural language constructions—operators in the wild, so to speak—that require new, more expressive control mechanisms. I analyze the English word *same* by proposing **two-hole continuations**.

# Prelude

Programming languages research:

- Observe what people (programmers) want to say
   Figure out how best to let them say it.
- Figure out how best to let them say it

Natural language semantics research:

- Observe what people say
- Figure out what they mean when they say it

Let the characterization be **compositional**: each syntactic constituent makes the same contribution no matter where it occurs (where "contribution" can include (side) effects)

[Same and different] appear to be totally resistant to a strictly compositional semantic analysis... —Stump (1982:2)

### Plan

## Part I: Natural language meaning as programs Part II: Continuations for natural language

- Warm-up case study, focus particles:
   (1) a. John only drinks PERRIER.
   b. John only DRINKS Perrier.
- Analysis: delimited (i.e., composable) continuations, in particular, Sitaram's fcontrol and run

### Part III: Main case study: same

- (2) Anna and Bill read the same book.
  - = There is a book x such that Anna read x and Bill read x.

#### Part IV: Analysis: two-hole continuations

Part V:  $NL_{CL}$ : a substructural logic for two-hole cont'ns

### Part VI: Other applications

Part I: Natural language meaning as programs

## Natural Ig. phenomenon Formal language analog

questions

functions John left. variables He left.

Natural language has inspired formal languages

binding Everyone loves his mother.  $\forall x. loves(mom x) x$ control If you're hungry, eat. if (hungry) then (eat)

Behavioral analogies (to be refined)

Natural lg. Formal lg.

imperatives Shut the door!

Who left?

Functions as first-class objects? [Shieber]

in and [does j, does b]

John loves his mother and Bill does too.

let does =  $\xspace x$  -> loves (mom x) x

statements He is John.

print(3)read(s)

 $P_i$ 

Px

x == 3

Disanalogies: vagueness, ambiguity

d. read (s) String [reads a string from input] Int [none]

Behavioral analogies refined (already): Side effects

**e**. 3 f. x = 3 Int [binds x to 3] Natural language side effects? [Potts] **Expression** Side effect (4)

a. John [none]

[classifies J. as an idiot] b. that idiot John

c. I took out the garbage. [none] d. I took out the damn garbage. [expresses attitude]

e. We have a can opener. [none] f. Suppose we have a can opener. [creates new environment]

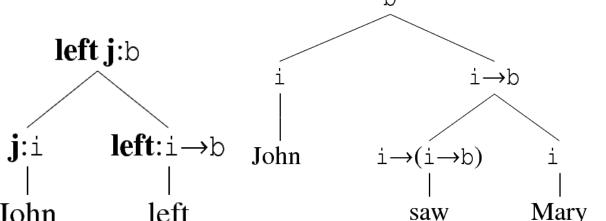
## A simple direct basic fragment (5) Syntactic category

Mary

Expression (= type) Semantic value

John Ind i

Ind j Ind m



Part II: Continuations for natural language

#### Continunations in ...

### Computer science:

- Reynolds, Plotkin, Strachey and Wadsworth, ...
- Felleisen, Danvy and Filinsky, ...: delimited (composable) continuations

#### Logic:

• Griffin, Parigot: computational content for classical proofs

### **Natural Language:**

- Montague, Rooth, Hendriks, Groenendijk and Stokhof, ...
- Quantification (Barker 2001; 2002)
- Quantification, logically (de Groote 2001)
- WH-questions (WHo, WHat, WHen, WHow), (Shan 2002)
- Type-Logical Grammar (Barker & Shan, Moortgat & Bernardi)

### Continuations are (pieces of) context

Expression  $\Gamma$ :

Continuation  $\Gamma[\ ]$  of the subexpression 3 relative to  $\Gamma$ :

 $\Gamma[\ ]$  is what I will call a **one-hole continuation**.

Programming challenge: provide uniform access to continuations

Three strategies:

- reduction rules (operationally);
- CPS xform (denotationally); and
- logically (see below...)

### Simple continuations, operationally: a shift operator, †

The semantic argument of a quantifier is its continuation:

$$[\![ John \ saw \ everyone ]\!] = \mathbf{everyone}(\lambda x.\mathbf{saw} \ x \mathbf{j})$$

 $\Gamma[\dagger M] \rhd_{\dagger} M(\lambda m \Gamma[m])$ 

$$\llbracket everyone \rrbracket = \dagger (\lambda P. \forall x. Px)$$

John saw everyone. ([saw][everyone])[John]

$$= (\mathbf{saw}(\dagger(\lambda P.\forall x.Px)))\mathbf{j}$$
$$= (\lambda P.\forall x.Px)(\lambda x.\mathbf{saw} x \mathbf{j})$$

$$= \forall x.\mathbf{saw}\,x\,\mathbf{j}$$

### Continuations, a simple CPS transform

$$\frac{\overline{\alpha} = \lambda \kappa.\kappa\alpha}{\overline{MN} = \lambda \kappa.\overline{M}(\lambda m.\overline{N}(\lambda n.\kappa(mn)))}$$
 (for any constant  $\alpha$ )

Direct type CPS'd type In general here, X  $(X \rightarrow \sigma) \rightarrow \sigma$  Specifically,  $A \rightarrow B$   $((A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow \sigma) \rightarrow \sigma$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} \sim \kappa.\kappa(\mathbf{left\,j}) \\ \llbracket Everyone\ left \rrbracket = \lambda\kappa.[\lambda\kappa.\kappa\mathbf{left}](\lambda f.[\lambda\kappa.\forall x.\kappa x](\lambda x.\kappa(fx))) \\ \sim \lambda\kappa.\forall x.\kappa(\mathbf{left\,}x), \end{array}$ 

 $||John|| left|| = \lambda \kappa. [\lambda \kappa. \kappa left] (\lambda f. [\lambda \kappa. \kappa j] (\lambda x. \kappa (fx)))$ 

 $[\![ John \ saw \ everyone]\!] \leadsto \lambda \kappa. \forall x. \kappa (\mathbf{saw} \ x. \mathbf{j})$ 

### Composable continuations; evaluation order

- (6) Different CPS transforms result in different evaluation orders:
  - a.  $\overline{MN} = \lambda \kappa. \overline{\mathrm{M}}(\lambda m. \overline{\mathrm{N}}(\lambda n. \kappa(mn)))$  Left-to-right (as before) b.  $\overline{MN} = \lambda \kappa. \overline{\mathrm{N}}(\lambda n. \overline{\mathrm{M}}(\lambda m. \kappa(mn)))$  Right-to-left
- (7) a. Someone saw everyone.
  - b.  $\exists x \forall y.\mathbf{saw} \, x \, y$  left-to-right c.  $\forall y \exists x.\mathbf{saw} \, x \, y$  right-to-left

### Focus/only as fcontrol/run (respectively) [Sitaram]

fcontrol: takes one argument x and throws  $\langle x,\kappa\rangle$ , where  $\kappa$  is the continuation of (fcontrol x) delimited by run

run: takes two arguments, an expression containing at least zero occurrences of fcontrol, and a handler routine

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(+ 1 (run (\* 2 (+ (fcontrol 3) 4))

(8)a. John only drinks PERRIER.b. John (run (drinks(fcontrol Perrier))

d. (and (drinks Perrier j)  $(\forall z \text{ (or (equal Perrier } z))))))$ 

 $(\lambda x \kappa y.(\mathbf{and}(\kappa xy)(\forall z(\mathbf{or}(\mathbf{equal}\,x\,z)(\mathbf{not}(\kappa zy)))))))$ 

e. John drinks Perrier.

c.  $\kappa = drinks$ 

f. There is nothing else that John drinks other than Perrier.

(9) a. John only DRINKS Perrier.

 $\textbf{b. John} \; (\texttt{run} \; ((\texttt{fcontrol} \, \mathbf{drinks}) \mathbf{Perrier})$ 

 $(\lambda x \kappa y.(\mathbf{and}(\kappa xy)(\forall z(\mathbf{or}(\mathbf{equal}\,x\,z)(\mathbf{not}(\kappa zy)))))))$ c.  $\kappa = \lambda R.R.\mathbf{Perrier}$ 

d. (and (drinks Perrier j)

 $(\text{not } (z \text{ Perrier } \mathbf{j})))))$  e. John drinks Perrier.

 $(\forall z \text{ (or (equal drinks } z))$ 

s Perrier.

f. There is nothing else that John does with Perrier other than drink it.

### One slightly more complex example

#### Assessment:

- fcontrol/run proposed for purely computational reasons
- Nevertheless, fits a natural language construction beautifully
- In some sense, then, fcontrol/run is a "natural" operator

Part III: Main case study: same

External

### External *same* vs. sentence-internal *same*

Anna and Bill read the same book.

[Ivan holds a copy of Emma]

- (13) a. Anna and Bill read the held-by-lvan book. b. context tells us that same = held-by-lvan
- (14) a. Anna and Bill read the read-by-them book. Internal b. There is some book x such that Gina read x and Bill read
- External: pragmatic, deictic, anaphoric Internal: semantic, quantificational, mediated by the grammar
- Carlson: For the internal reading, "the sentence, in some way or other, provides its own context."

context = continuation

(12)

### Red herring: types versus tokens [Nunberg, Lasersohn]

I drive a Ford Falcon and Enzo drives the same car. b. #I was driving south on 280 in my Ford Falcon when I smashed into the same car.

### Many other related but distinct constructions involving *same*.

The only one I am dealing with today is an internal reading for the same N, where N is some noun (e.g., books), without relative clause or as phrase.

(16) a. Anna and Bill read the same book. b. That's the same book that Ivan read.

c. This is the same (size) as that.

d. Those two are the same. e. Etc...

Explicit property **Explicit standard** 

**Predicative** 

CHILDES database (CMU): Providence data set, Alex, file ale51.cha Conversation in Massachusetts 28 Apr 2004 (Alex 3 years 4 mos. old) about beans: kidney beans, black-eyed peas, great northern pinto beans CHI: yy look at this one. CHI: oh [x 4] I got something. 'hεo'lσkæ'dɪs'w∧n 'o 'a'ga's∧mti MOT: which one? MOT: oh I foun(d) another one. another one. CHI: yy this one. nə'dīs'wʌn CHI: it's yy the same size. 'is'g:t ə'seim'saiz MOT: oh that's differen(t). CHI: that's different. MOT: it's which one. 'dæs'd⊤fw⊤n CHI: the same size. CHI: xx look at this one. ða'serm'sarz 'lσkæ'dτs'w∧n MOT: they match? MOT: they're all differen(t) Alex.CHI: yes they same same size like that. where did that xx +//.'jɛs 'ðeɪ'seɪm'seɪm'saɪz 'aɪk'dæt oh there it is see that CHI: yy yy same size. 'dʒʌsaɪk'[eɪm'saɪ:z really big gigantic one ? tha(t) one's huge. MOT: mmmm. CHI: they yy the same size. 'ðeɪ'dɑ ðə'seɪm'saɪ:z

### **Quotations from some older programmers:**

### Taken from random POPL papers:

- Two variables are considered equal if we encounter them in the same syntactic position in the two function bodies.
- Take maximal set of polynomials with same zeroes
- Any GC may be lifted to a GI by identifying in an equivalence class those values of the abstract domain with the same concretization.
- When none of the guards is enabled, the next state Y will have the same value as the current state X.
- We analyze the bodies of functions of the same name and match their abstract syntax trees structurally.
- The remaining two judgements in the premise insist, respectively, that the override preserve the type of the object being updated, and that the new body provided for I j have the same type B j as the original body.

### (17) Maybe the same book is secretly an indefinite.

An idea worth briefly considering:

That is, it means roughly *There is some book x such that..*a. "That's **the wrong answer!**"
b. How many people read a book?

c. How many people read the same book?

P1
P2
B1
P3
P4
P3

(18) a. Anna and Bill have never lived in the same city. b.  $\neq$  There is a city x such that Anna and Bill have never lived in x. (Choose x = Perth)

Theorem [Keenan]: *same* is provably not equivalent to a simple indefinite.

### **Operational analysis**

Intuition: same needs access to a distant expression's cont'n.

Normal (delimited) continuation (from before):

$$\Gamma[\dagger M] \rhd_\dagger M(\lambda m \Gamma[m])$$

New: two-hole continuation:

$$M(\lambda m\Gamma[m][\ddagger N]) \rhd_{\ddagger} M(N(\lambda nm.\Gamma[m][n]))$$

- (19) John (served †everyone)  $\triangleright_{\dagger}$  everyone( $\lambda m$ . John (served m))
- (20) ‡(the same waiter) (served †everyone)  $\triangleright_{\dagger}$  everyone( $\lambda m$ . ‡(the same waiter) (served m))  $\triangleright_{\ddagger}$  everyone((the same waiter)  $\lambda nm$ . n (served m))

, mod i x == 0]

## **Semantics for** *same* (slide 1 of 2)

type Noun = [Int] -> Bool

primes [2,3,5,7] = True

primes [2,3,5,7,9] = False

Step 1 of 4: Nouns

primes :: Noun

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Step 2 of 4: Verbs
follow :: [Int] -> [Int] -> Bool
follow is js = and [i>j|i<-is,j<-js] -- cross product
[7,9] 'follow' [3,4] = True
[7,9] 'follow' [3,8] = False</pre>
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primes = all ( $i \rightarrow and [1<i, null [x|x <- [2..i-1]]$ 

Note: Haskell is a VSO language, like Chamorro or Irish

### Semantics for same (slide 2 of 2)

### Step 3 of 4: impure conjunction

```
andNL :: [Int] -> [Int] -> ([Int] -> Bool) -> Bool
andNL is js f = f (is ++ js)
([7] 'andNL' [9]) (\x -> x 'follow' [3])
```

#### Step 3 of 4: same

```
theSame :: Noun -> ([Int] -> [Int] -> Bool) -> [Int] -> Bool
-- two-hole continuation one-hole cont.
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theSame n kk js = 1 == length (group [[i|i<-[1..28], n [i], kk [j] [i]]|j<-js])
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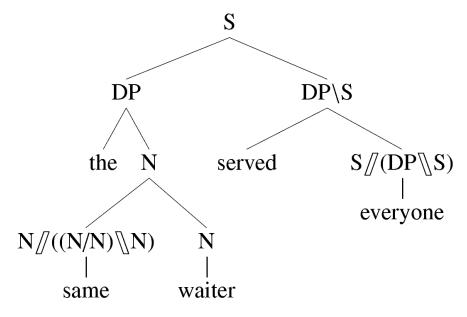
group splits its list argument into a list of lists of equal, adjacent elements: group "Mississippi" == ["M","i","ss","i","ss","i","pp","i"]

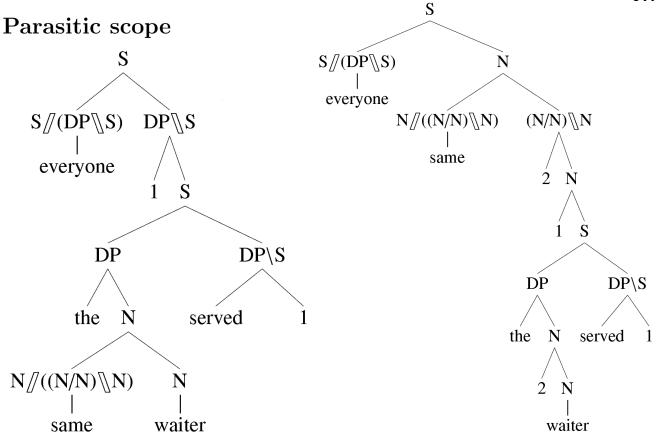
## **Examples** (21) a. 8 and 9 follow the same primes.

b. † (8 and 9) (follow ‡ (the same primes)) c.  $\triangleright_{\dagger}$  (8 and 9)( $\lambda n$ .follow( $\ddagger$ (theSame primes)) n) d.  $\triangleright_{\pm}$  (8 and 9) ((the Same primes) ( $\lambda mn.$  follow mn)) e. ([8] 'andNL' [9]) (theSame primes follow) f. 1 == length (group [[2,3,5,7], [2,3,5,7]])q. True (22) a. 8 and 12 follow the same primes. b. 1 == length (group [[2,3,5,7], [2,3,5,7,11]]) C. False (23) a. The same primes follow 8 and 9. b. ‡ (the same primes) (follow † (8 and 9)) c.  $\triangleright_{\dagger}$  (8 and 9)( $\lambda n.(\mathbf{follow}\,n)(\ddagger(\mathbf{theSame\,primes})))$ 

(23) a. The same primes follow 8 and 9. b.  $\ddagger$  (the same primes) (follow  $\dagger$  (8 and 9)) c.  $\triangleright_{\dagger}$  (8 and 9)( $\lambda n.(\text{follow}\,n)(\ddagger(\text{theSame primes})))$  d.  $\triangleright_{\ddagger}$  (8 and 9) ((theSame primes) ( $\lambda mn.\text{follow}\,n\,m$ )) e. ([8] 'andNL' [9]) (theSame primes (flip follow)) f. 1 == length (group [[11,13,17,19,23],[11,13,17,19,23]]) g. True

(24) The same waiter served everyone. [Stump; Heim]





Date: Thu, 22 Jan 2009 02:27:14 +0000

From: oleg@okmij.org Subject: The same waiter served everybody

evaluated first: 'The same waiter served everyone'

Hello! Here is the computed denotation for the example where same

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.<(Everyone
  (fun x_3 \rightarrow
    ((((* cross-stage persistent value (as id: same') *))
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 $(\text{fun } f_2 \rightarrow \text{fun } x_1 \rightarrow (\text{Served } ((\text{The } (f_2 (\text{Waiter}))), x_1)))$ The denotation was computed by the following term (once again, the

let  $t5 = top (fun () \rightarrow$ let sw = etasame (fun x -> served (the (same waiter)) x)in sw (everyone ()));;

explicit 'let' ensured the left-to-right evaluation order):

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Part V:  $NL_{CL}$ : a substructural logic for two-hole continuations

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## $\frac{\Gamma \vdash A}{\sum [\Gamma]}$

 $\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \qquad \Sigma[B] \vdash C}{\Sigma[(\Gamma \bullet A \backslash B)] \vdash C} \backslash L$   $\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \qquad \Sigma[B] \vdash C}{\Sigma[(B/A \bullet \Gamma)] \vdash C} / L$ 

 $NL_{CL}$ : a two-tensor, non-associative Lambek grammar

 $\frac{\Gamma \bullet B \vdash C}{\Gamma \vdash C/B} / R$ 

 $\frac{A \bullet \Gamma \vdash C}{\Gamma \vdash A \backslash C} \backslash R$ 

 $\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \qquad \Sigma[B] \vdash C}{\Sigma[(\Gamma \circ A \backslash B)] \vdash C} \backslash L$ 

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 $\frac{A \circ \Gamma \vdash C}{\Gamma \vdash A \backslash C} \backslash R$   $\frac{\Gamma \circ B \vdash C}{\Gamma \vdash C /\!\!/ B} /\!\!/ R$ 

 $\frac{\Gamma \vdash A \qquad \Sigma[B] \vdash C}{\Sigma[(B//A \circ \Gamma)] \vdash C} /\!\!/ L$   $\frac{\Sigma[\Gamma[p]]}{\Sigma[n \circ A]} /\!\!/ L$ 

 $\frac{\Sigma[\Gamma\lceil p]] \vdash A}{\Sigma[p \circ \lambda x. \Gamma\lceil x]] \vdash A} \lambda$ 

No weakening, no contraction, no interchange; 'p' for 'plug'

### Details about $\Gamma[p]$ structures

Disallowed:

As usual with  $\lambda$ , we pay for conceptual simplicity with some definitional complexity.

$$\Gamma[p] ::= p \mid \lambda y. \Gamma[p] \mid q \bullet \Gamma[p] \mid \Gamma[p] \bullet q$$

This  $\lambda$  "abstracts" only over structures built from  $\bullet$  and  $\lambda$ .

Allowed: 
$$\frac{A}{A \circ \lambda x.x} \qquad \frac{A \bullet B}{A \circ \lambda x.(x \bullet B)} \qquad \frac{\lambda x.(x \bullet B)}{B \circ \lambda y \lambda x.(x \bullet y)}$$

Crucially linear: x fresh (distinct from every other symbol in  $\Gamma$ ).

 $\frac{A \circ B}{A \circ \lambda x.(x \circ B)} \qquad \frac{\lambda x.(x \bullet B)}{B \circ \lambda x \lambda y.(x \bullet y)}$ 

## Where are the continuations? [Shan]

 $A \setminus B$ : one-hole continuation accepting an argument of type A and returning a result of type B.

Example derivation of John saw everyone everyone:  $S/(DP\S)$ 

$$\frac{\frac{\mathsf{DP} \bullet ((\mathsf{DP} \backslash \mathsf{S})/\mathsf{DP} \bullet \mathsf{DP}) \vdash \mathsf{S}}{\mathsf{John} \bullet (saw \bullet \mathsf{DP}) \vdash \mathsf{S}} \mathsf{LEX}}{\frac{\mathsf{DP} \circ \lambda x (\mathsf{John} \bullet (saw \bullet x)) \vdash \mathsf{S}}{\lambda x (\mathsf{John} \bullet (saw \bullet x)) \vdash \mathsf{DP} \backslash \mathsf{S}} \sqrt[\lambda]{R}}{\frac{\lambda x (\mathsf{John} \bullet (saw \bullet x)) \vdash \mathsf{DP} \backslash \mathsf{S}}{\mathsf{S}/\!\!/} (\mathsf{DP} \backslash \mathsf{S}) \circ \lambda x (\mathsf{John} \bullet (saw \bullet x)) \vdash \mathsf{S}} \sqrt[\lambda]{L}}$$

$$\frac{\mathsf{S}/\!\!/}{\mathsf{John} \bullet (saw \bullet \mathsf{S}/\!\!/} (\mathsf{DP} \backslash \mathsf{S})) \vdash \mathsf{S}} \lambda$$

everyone( $\lambda x$ .saw x j)

# $A \setminus (B \setminus C)$ : two-hole continuation accepting an argument of type A and returning a one-hole continuation of type $B \setminus C$ .

Example: Everyone read the same book:

Ok, where are the two-hole continuations?

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\frac{\mathsf{DP} \bullet (\mathit{read} \bullet (\mathit{the} \bullet (\mathsf{N}/\mathsf{N} \bullet \mathit{book}))) \vdash \mathsf{S}}{\mathsf{DP} \circ \lambda x (x \bullet (\mathit{read} \bullet (\mathit{the} \bullet (\mathsf{N}/\mathsf{N} \bullet \mathit{book})))) \vdash \mathsf{S}} \lambda}{\lambda x (x \bullet (\mathit{read} \bullet (\mathit{the} \bullet (\mathsf{N}/\mathsf{N} \bullet \mathit{book})))) \vdash \mathsf{DP} \backslash \! \mathsf{S}}} / \! \backslash R
\frac{N/N \circ \lambda y \lambda x (x \bullet (read \bullet (the \bullet (y \bullet book)))) \vdash \mathsf{DP} \backslash \mathsf{S}}{\lambda y \lambda x (x \bullet (read \bullet (the \bullet (y \bullet book)))) \vdash \mathsf{DP} \backslash \mathsf{S}} \backslash \mathsf{R}}{\lambda y \lambda x (x \bullet (read \bullet (the \bullet (y \bullet book)))) \vdash (\mathsf{N}/\mathsf{N}) \backslash (\mathsf{DP} \backslash \mathsf{S})} \backslash \mathsf{R}} \underset{\lambda}{\mathsf{DP} \backslash \mathsf{S} \vdash \mathsf{DP} \backslash \mathsf{S}}{\mathsf{DP} \backslash \mathsf{S}} / \!\!/ \mathsf{L}}{(\mathsf{DP} \backslash \mathsf{S}) / \!\!/ ((\mathsf{N}/\mathsf{N}) \backslash (\mathsf{DP} \backslash \mathsf{S})) \circ \lambda y \lambda x (x \bullet (read \bullet (the \bullet (y \bullet book)))) \vdash \mathsf{DP} \backslash \mathsf{S}}}{\lambda x (x \bullet (read \bullet (the \bullet ((\mathsf{DP} \backslash \mathsf{S}) / \!\!/ (\mathsf{N}/\mathsf{N}) \backslash (\mathsf{DP} \backslash \mathsf{S})) \bullet book)))) \vdash \mathsf{DP} \backslash \mathsf{S}}} \lambda \qquad \mathsf{S} \vdash \mathsf{S}
                                     \frac{S/\!\!/(\mathsf{DP}\S{s}) \circ \lambda x(x \bullet (\mathit{read} \bullet (\mathit{the} \bullet ((\mathsf{DP}\S{s})/\!\!/((\mathsf{N/N})\S(\mathsf{DP}\S{s})) \bullet \mathit{book})))) \vdash s}{S/\!\!/(\mathsf{DP}\S{s}) \bullet (\mathit{read} \bullet (\mathit{the} \bullet ((\mathsf{DP}\S{s})/\!\!/((\mathsf{N/N})\S(\mathsf{DP}\S{s})) \bullet \mathit{book}))) \vdash s}{\mathsf{LEX}} \lambda}
                                                                                                                                         everyone \bullet (read \bullet (the \bullet (same \bullet book))) \vdash s
                                                                                   \mathbf{everyone}(\mathbf{same}(\lambda f(\lambda y.\mathbf{read}(\mathbf{the}(f(\mathbf{book})))\,y)))
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### Part VI: Other applications

## (25) †(2 and 3) evenly divide ‡((4 and 6) respectively).

Respectively

Wrong:

 $[(x,y) \mid x \leftarrow [2,3]$ ,  $y \leftarrow [4,6]$ ,  $x \mod y == 0]$ Right:

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(map (lambda (x y) (zero? (modulo y x)))
'(2 3)
'(4 6))
```

Requires programmer to compute a two-hole continuation.

```
resp :: [Int] -> ([Int] -> [Int] -> Bool) -> [Int] -> Bool
resp [] _ [] = True
resp (a:as) kk (b:bs) = if kk [b] [a] then resp as kk bs else False
```

(26) a. 3 and 9 follow 2 and 8 respectively.
b. ([3] 'andNL' [9]) (resp [2,8] follow) = True

Example: binding under effects: † Everyone said ‡ he left: 37

 $[\![ the ]\!] = \lambda \kappa \lambda x. \kappa xx : (DP \ S) /\!/ (DP \ CP \ S))$ 

 $\frac{\mathsf{S} \vdash \mathsf{S}}{---} /\!\!/ L$  $\frac{\text{S}/\!\!/(\text{DP}\backslash\!\!/\text{S}) \circ \lambda x(x \bullet (said \bullet (he \bullet \textit{left}))) \vdash \text{S}}{\text{everyone} \circ \lambda x(x \bullet (said \bullet (he \bullet \textit{left}))) \vdash \text{S}} \text{LEX}}{\text{everyone} \bullet (said \bullet (he \bullet \textit{left})) \vdash \text{S}} \lambda$ 

cf. Morrill, Fadda & Valentín 2007:52

 $everyone((\lambda \kappa \lambda x.\kappa xx)(\lambda y\lambda x.said(left x)y)) = eo(\lambda z.said(left z)z)$ 

Wrong: let x = everyone in Someone said x thinks x is intelligent

What else?

- (27) Polymorphic *same*:

  John read and reviewed the same book.
- (28) distinct, separate, similar [Carlson]
- identical, unrelated, mutually incompatible, opposite (29) The taverage American owns †2 1 cars. [Stanley & K
- (29) The ‡average American owns †2.1 cars. [Stanley & Kennedy]
- (30) "Resumptive" uses [Keenan]:

  The same people ordered the same dishes.

#### What to remember about this talk

- First compositional analysis ever of a basic vocabulary item.
- The solution involves continuations.
- Yea, theory of programming lgs!
- But not ordinary (one-hole) continuations.
- Two-hole continuations provide new expressivity.
- They allow an expression to control the context within which another effectful expression will be evaluated.

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