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m^* := \lambda kg \cdot \bigcup \{k x g' \mid \langle x, g' \rangle \in mg\} 
m^{\downarrow} := m (\lambda xs \cdot \{\langle x, s \rangle \mid x \neq F\}) 
x^{\uparrow} := (\eta x)^* = \lambda k \cdot k x 
x^{\downarrow \downarrow} := (x^{\downarrow})^*$$

$$\mathbf{the}_{u} := \lambda ckg \colon |G_{u}| = 1 . G,$$
 where  $G = \bigcup \left\{ k \, x \, g' \, \middle| \, \langle \mathsf{T}, \, g' \rangle \in c \, x \, g^{u \mapsto x} \right\}$ 

[[the square]] 
$$\sim \left(\frac{\operatorname{the}_{v}(\lambda y.[])}{y} \setminus \frac{[]}{\operatorname{square}}\right)^{\downarrow \parallel} \sim \left(\operatorname{the}_{v}(\lambda yg.\{\langle \operatorname{sq} y, g \rangle\})\right)^{\downarrow}$$

$$\sim \left(\frac{\lambda g. \cup \{[]g^{v \mapsto y} \mid \operatorname{sq} y\}}{y}\right)^{\parallel} \sim \frac{\lambda g.|G_{v}| = 1. \cup \{[]g^{v \mapsto y} \mid \operatorname{sq} y\}}{y}$$

[the circle in the square]

$$\left(\frac{\operatorname{the}_{u}(\lambda x.[])}{x} \middle| \left(\frac{[]}{\operatorname{circle}} \middle| \frac{[]}{\operatorname{in}} \middle| \left(\frac{\operatorname{the}_{v}(\lambda y.[])}{y} \middle| \frac{[]}{\operatorname{square}}\right)^{\downarrow \parallel}\right)\right)^{\downarrow \parallel}$$

$$\left(\frac{\operatorname{the}_{u}(\lambda x.[])}{x} \middle| \left(\frac{[]}{\operatorname{circle}} \middle| \frac{[]}{\operatorname{in}} \middle| \frac{\lambda g:|G_{v}| = 1. \cup \{[]g^{v \mapsto y} | \operatorname{sq} y\}}{y}\right)\right)^{\downarrow \parallel}$$

$$\left(\frac{\operatorname{the}_{u}(\lambda xg:|G_{v}| = 1. \cup \{[]g^{v \mapsto y} | \operatorname{sq} y\})}{\operatorname{circ} x \wedge \operatorname{in} y x}\right)^{\downarrow \parallel}$$

$$\left(\frac{\lambda g. \cup \{[]g^{u \mapsto x} | \operatorname{sq} y, \operatorname{circ} x, \operatorname{in} y x\}}{x}\right)^{\parallel}$$

$$\lambda g:|G'_{u}| = |G_{v}| = 1. \cup \{[]g^{u \mapsto x} | \operatorname{sq} y, \operatorname{circ} x, \operatorname{in} y x\}\right)$$

- $\mathbf{the}_u$  is just  $\mathbf{a}_u$  plus a uniqueness presupposition. The presupposition restricts what the set of outputs is allowed to look like: they need to all agree on the value of u
- That means its uniqueness effect is *delayed* until some program containing it is evaluated, (i.e., until its continuation is delimited). This sort of delayed global test on the set of outputs is very much like a postsupposition (Brasoveanu 2012, Henderson 2014), but here it is regulated by continuations, rather than logical subscripts (Charlow 2014)
- Note that resetting [the square] in the last reduction step here has no effect on its semantic shape, because it's essentially [a square].
- But it does fix the presupposition; For any input g, G will be equal to  $\{\langle y, q^{v \mapsto y} \rangle \mid \operatorname{sq} y \}$ , and the presup will require all those q's to map v to the same square (which will only be possible if there's exactly one square available to assign v to in the first place).

## **Absolute Reading**

- The inner definite is reset, freezing its presupposition as above. When the input assignment *g* is eventually inserted, we will have  $G = \{\langle y, g^{v \mapsto y} \rangle \mid \text{sq } y \}$ , and the presupposition will guarantee that g'v is constant across the outputs.
- As with the inner DP, the host DP's presupposition is fixed when it is reset. This time, we have  $G' = \left\{ \left( x, g^{u \mapsto x} \right) \mid \text{sq } y, \text{ circ } x, \text{ in } y x \right\}$ , where g is whatever the input happens to be. In particular, all the outputs will now need to agree on the value of u in addition to v, which will only be possible if there's exactly one circle in the square that all outputs assign to v.

[the circle in the square]

$$\frac{\left(\frac{\mathbf{the}_{u}(\lambda x.[])}{x} \middle| \left(\frac{[]}{\mathbf{circle}} \middle| \frac{[]}{\mathbf{in}} \middle| \left(\frac{\mathbf{the}_{v}(\lambda y.[])}{y} \middle| \frac{[]}{\mathbf{square}}\right)^{\downarrow}\right)\right)^{\downarrow \parallel}}{\left(\frac{\mathbf{the}_{u}(\lambda x.[])}{x} \middle| \left(\frac{[]}{\mathbf{circle}} \middle| \frac{[]}{\mathbf{in}} \middle| \frac{\lambda g. \bigcup\{[]g^{v\mapsto y} \mid \mathsf{sq}\,y\}}{y}\right)\right)^{\downarrow \parallel}}{\left(\frac{\mathbf{the}_{u}(\lambda xg. \bigcup\{[]g^{v\mapsto y} \mid \mathsf{sq}\,y\})}{\mathsf{circ}\,x \land \mathsf{in}\,y\,x}\right)^{\downarrow \parallel}} \\
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\frac{\lambda g. |G_{u}| = |G_{v}| = 1. \bigcup\{[]g^{u\mapsto x} \middle| \mathsf{sq}\,y, \, \mathsf{circ}\,x, \, \mathsf{in}\,y\,x\}\right)}{x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M}_{u} &:= \lambda G. \ \left\{ \left\langle \cdot, g \right\rangle \in G \ \middle| \ \neg \exists \left\langle \cdot, g' \right\rangle \in G. \ g' \ u \ \exists \ g \ u \right\} \\ \mathbf{the}_{u} &:= \lambda c k g \colon |G_{u}| = 1. \ G, \\ & \text{where} \ G = \mathbf{M}_{u} \bigcup \left\{ k \ x \ g' \ \middle| \ \left\langle \mathsf{T}, g' \right\rangle \in c \ x \ g^{u \mapsto x} \right\} \\ -\mathbf{s} &:= \lambda P x \cdot x \in \left\{ \bigoplus P' \ \middle| \ P' \subseteq P \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Derivations ...

## Relative Reading (cf. Haddock, Champollion and Saurland)

- The only difference here is that we do not reset the inner DP, which staves off its presupposition until more information is accumulated in its scope
- But now when the outer DP is reset, it sets the presuppositions of *both* definites
- For any input g,  $G = \left\{ \left\langle x, g^{u \mapsto x} \right\rangle \middle| \operatorname{sq} x, \operatorname{circ} y, \operatorname{in} y x \right\}$  is the set out outputs that map u onto a circle in some square that it maps to v.
- So requiring that there be exactly one such v is tantamount to requiring that there be exactly one square *that has a circle in it* and exactly one circle *in that square*. In other words, there should be exactly one pair  $\langle x, y \rangle$  in circ  $\times$  sq such that in y x.

- -s is a boilerplate plural morpheme that builds sums from the atoms in its complement.
- $M_u$  is a kind of maximization operator on outputs (Brasoveanu 2012, Charlow 2014). It filters out those assignments in  $g \in G$  that are strictly dominated, in the sense that they assign u to a value that is a proper part of something assigned to u by some other  $g' \in G$ .

true :=  $\lambda G$ .  $\bigvee \{ \alpha \mid \langle \alpha, g \rangle \in G \}$ 

 $\mathbf{only}_u \coloneqq \lambda G \colon \mathsf{true} \, G \cdot \mathbf{M}_u \, G$ 

the<sub>u</sub> :=  $\lambda \mathcal{M} ckg \cdot |G_u| = 1 \cdot G$ , where  $G = \mathcal{M}_u \bigcup \{k x g' \mid \langle \mathsf{T}, g' \rangle \in c x g^{u \mapsto x} \}$   $\bullet\,$  true is a bog standard dynamic truth predicate: true iff at least one update succeeds.

• Adjectival **only** is just **M** plus a presupposition (cf. Coppock and Beaver 2012, 2014)!

• So here's the swim move: feed **only** into **the**, and then let the scope of the exclusivity ride the scope of the determiner. This will immediately predict relative readings for adj **only**.

John sold the only cars

Anna didn't give the only good talk

$$\mathbf{M}_{u}^{f} = \lambda G. \left\{ \left\langle \alpha, g \right\rangle \,\middle|\, \left\langle \left\langle \alpha, \cdot \right\rangle, g \right\rangle \in G, \text{ truthy } \alpha, \ \neg \exists \left\langle \left\langle \cdot, \beta \right\rangle, g' \right\rangle \in G. \ \forall \beta \land f \left(g \, u\right) \left(g' \, u\right) \right\}$$

**larger** =  $\lambda xy$ . size x < size y

$$\mathbf{est}_u = \lambda f \cdot \mathbf{M}_u^f$$

$$\mathbf{largest}_{u} = \mathbf{est}_{u} \ \mathbf{larger} = \mathbf{M}_{u}^{\mathsf{sz}} = \lambda G. \ \left\{ \langle \mathsf{T}, g \rangle \ \middle| \ \langle \mathsf{T}, g \rangle \in G \land \neg \exists \langle \mathsf{T}, g' \rangle \in G. \ \mathsf{size} \ (g \ u) < \mathsf{size} \ (g' \ u) \right\}$$

$$\mathbf{the}_{u} = \lambda \mathcal{M} ckg : |G'_{u}| = 1. G', \text{ where } G' = \mathcal{M} \bigcup \left\{ k \, x \, g' \, \middle| \, x \in \mathcal{D}_{e}, \, \langle \mathsf{T}, g' \rangle \in c \, x \, g^{u \mapsto x} \right\}$$

$$\frac{\left[\begin{array}{c} [\\ j^{\mathsf{F}} \star (\lambda j.[]) \\ \underline{j^{\triangleright} \star (\lambda x.[])} \\ x \end{array}\right| \frac{\left[\begin{array}{c} [\\ [] \\ \overline{[]} \\ \overline{\text{drew}} \end{array}\right| \frac{\lambda g. \mathsf{M}_{u} \cup \{[] g^{u \mapsto y} \mid \mathsf{sq} y\}}{\left[\begin{array}{c} [\\ [] \\ y \end{array}\right]}$$

stuff

This is some stuff

$$\mathcal{F}\alpha := \sigma \to \{\alpha * \sigma\} * \{\alpha * \sigma\}$$

$$\eta x := \lambda g. \left\langle \left\{ \left\langle x, g \right\rangle \right\}, \left\{ \left\langle x, g \right\rangle \right\} \right\rangle$$

$$m \star f := \lambda g. \left\langle \bigcup \left\{ \left( f \, x \, g' \right)_1 \, \middle| \, \left\langle x, g' \right\rangle \in \left( m \, g \right)_1 \right\}, \quad \bigcup \left\{ \left( f \, x \, g' \right)_2 \, \middle| \, \left\langle x, g' \right\rangle \in \left( m \, g \right)_2 \right\} \right\rangle$$

$$\mathbf{the} := \lambda M c k g : |G_u| = 1. \ G_u, \text{ where } G = M \ \bigcup \left\{ k \, y \, g' \, \middle| \, \left\langle \mathsf{T}, g' \right\rangle \in c \, y \, g^{u \mapsto y} \right\}$$

$$\mathbf{only} := \lambda G : \mathsf{true} \ G. \left\{ \left\langle \mathsf{T}, g \right\rangle \in G \, \middle| \, \neg \exists g'. \left\langle \mathsf{T}, g' \right\rangle \in G \land g' \, u \, \exists \, g \, u \right\}$$