

## 1 Outline

- Extant CCG treatments of dynamic anaphora: [de Groote 2006](#), [Barker & Shan 2008](#). [Motivation for pursuing another approach. BS clearly no good ([Charlow 2010](#)). dG works well enough, and can be combined with BS regime, but...?]
- Continuized CCGs offer a grammar-wide generalization of scope-taking (“ubiquitous scopal pied piping”) using three operations: **lift**, **triv**, and **scope**. Any constituent can be a scope-taker.
- Proposal: replace **lift** and **triv** with options that countenance side effects ([Shan 2005](#)). Any side effects regime can be grafted onto a continuized CCG, by replacing **lift** and **triv** with monadic functors ([Moggi 1989](#), [Wadler 1992, 1994, 1995](#), [Shan 2002](#)).
- We provide a general technique for integrating a monadic approach to side effects with continuations-based approaches to scope in CCG. We relate our approach to the ContT monad transformer ([Liang et al. 1995](#)). Offers a type-theoretic way to track effects, integrate them into a well-developed CCG framework for scope-taking.
- Dynamic semantics is ([Shan 2001](#)):<sup>1</sup>
  - State: ability to manipulate the discourse context, i.e. create discourse referents.
  - Nondeterminism: analogizes indefinites to referential expressions. Treats indefinites as referring expressions, though ones which refer indeterminately.
- Corollary: there is no need to settle on a single (“the”) grammar. Different and quite varied side effects regimes can be modularly grafted onto a simple applicative (“pure”) core. Lexical entries that would seem incongruous in a flat-footed standard perspective integrate seamlessly in a single grammar.
- Monads as a natural way to extend a continuations-based grammar with tools for dynamic binding and exceptional scope. In the end: you have functional application, plus the functors from whichever monads are implicated in a given language.
- The standard continuations-based perspective of [Barker 2002](#), [Shan & Barker 2006](#), [Barker & Shan 2014](#) is an instantiation of a more general perspective.

<sup>1</sup> NB: does not characterize all varieties of dynamic semantics. Dynamic treatments following [Groenendijk & Stokhof 1990](#) (e.g. [Zimmermann 1991](#), [Dekker 1993](#), [Szabolcsi 2003](#), [de Groote 2006](#)) provide a way for indefinites to extend their binding domain but do not treat indefinites as nondeterministic analogs of proper names.

- Standard dynamic techniques (DPL, DMG) not reducible to monads.
- Broader question: how this relates to the idea that continuations can simulate any monad ([Filinski 1994](#)). I don’t understand this result well enough to say anything.

## 2 Adding side effects to $k$

- Standard continuized grammar:
  - **lift**:  $\lambda k. k x$
  - **triv**:  $\lambda x. x$
  - **scope**:  $\lambda k. m (\lambda f. n (\lambda x. k (f x)))$
- Type-theoretic details here
- Adding side effects ([Wadler 1994, 1995](#), [Shan 2002](#)): monads
- Monad laws / punting
- Relating monads to continuized grammars:
  - Replace **lift** with  $\star$
  - Replace **triv** with  $\eta$
  - **scope** stays the same
- Two type constructors:
  - Bipartite Cont:
  - Unary Monadic:

## 3 Finding the dynamic monad

- The meat of PLA ([Dekker 1994](#)): sentences are relations on stacks. Non-empty relations correspond to truth. Non-functional pairs in the relation correspond to nondeterminism introduced by indefinites (and perhaps disjunction).

$$\llbracket \text{a linguist} \rrbracket = \lambda k s. \bigcup_{x \in \text{ling}} k x \hat{s} x$$

- A different perspective on this: treating nondeterminism and state modification as side effects, within a functional programming setting for side effects.
- Monad for nondeterminism:

**Definition 1** (The Set monad).

$$\begin{aligned} M a &::= a \rightarrow t \\ \eta x &::= \{x\} \\ m \star k &::= \bigcup_{x \in m} k x \end{aligned}$$

- Monad for state (generalization of monad for environment-sensitivity):

**Definition 2** (The State monad).

$$\begin{aligned} Ma &::= s \rightarrow a \times s \\ \eta x &:= \lambda s. \langle x, s \rangle \\ m \star k &:= \lambda s. k (ms)_0 (ms)_1 \end{aligned}$$

- Use StateT to stitch the two together<sup>2</sup>

**Definition 3** (The StateT monad transformer).

$$\begin{aligned} Ma &::= s \rightarrow L(a \times s) \\ \eta x &:= \lambda s. \eta_L \langle x, s \rangle \\ m \star k &:= \lambda s. ms \star_L \lambda \pi. k \pi_0 \pi_1 \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 4** (The State\_Set monad).

$$\begin{aligned} Ma &::= s \rightarrow (a \times s) \rightarrow t \\ \eta x &:= \lambda s. \{ \langle x, s \rangle \} \\ m \star k &:= \lambda s. \bigcup_{\pi \in ms} k \pi_0 \pi_1 \end{aligned}$$

- Static lexicon, dynamic lexicon
- Modular treatment of binding.

Previous : **bind**  $m := \lambda k. m (\lambda x. k x x)$   
 Proposal : **bind**  $m := \lambda k. m (\lambda x s. k x \widehat{s x})$

- Summing up: three combinators for “order-insensitive” (i.e. continuized combination). **unit**, **run**, **bind**

	<b>lift</b> $m$	<b>M</b> <b>triv</b>	<b>bind</b> $M$
Previous	$\lambda k. k m$	$M (\lambda x. x)$	$\lambda k. m (\lambda x. k x x)$
Proposal	$\lambda k. m \star k$	$M \eta$	$\lambda k. m (\lambda x s. k x \widehat{s x})$

## 4 Examples

- Some upshots: no dynamic conjunction, completely standard model theory (cf. de Groote 2006). “Contexts of evaluation” are constructed on the fly.

de Groote 2001 Charlow 2014 Bumford to appear

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