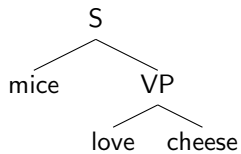


Inner/Outer Meanings in Formal Semantics perspective

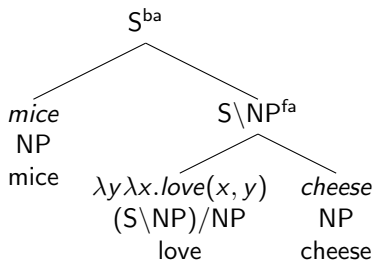
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Example: Mice love cheese



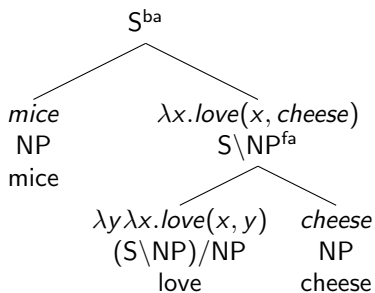
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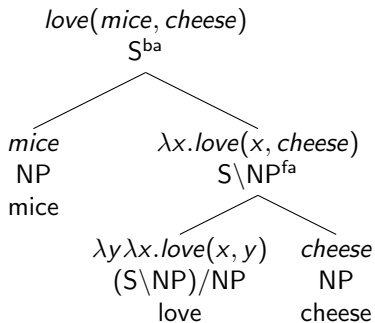
Five CCG rules

- ▶ Forward Application (fa)
 $X/Y : P \quad Y : Q \Rightarrow X : PQ$
- ▶ Backward Application (ba)
 $Y : P \quad X \backslash Y : Q \Rightarrow X : QP$
- ▶ Composition (comp)
 $X/Y : P \quad Y/Z : Q \Rightarrow X/Z : \lambda x.(P(Qx))$
- ▶ Coordination (conj)
 $X : P \quad conj \quad X' : P' \Rightarrow X'' : \lambda x.(Px \wedge P'x)$
- ▶ Type raising (tr)
 $NP : a \Rightarrow T/(T \backslash NP) : \lambda R.(Ra)$

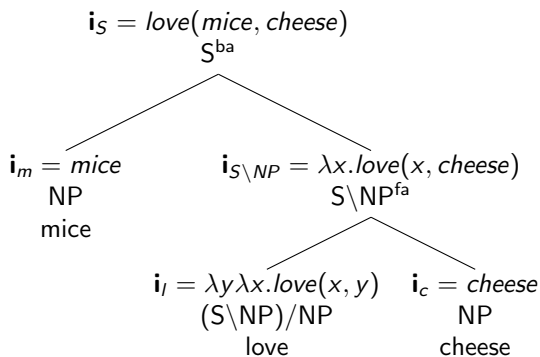
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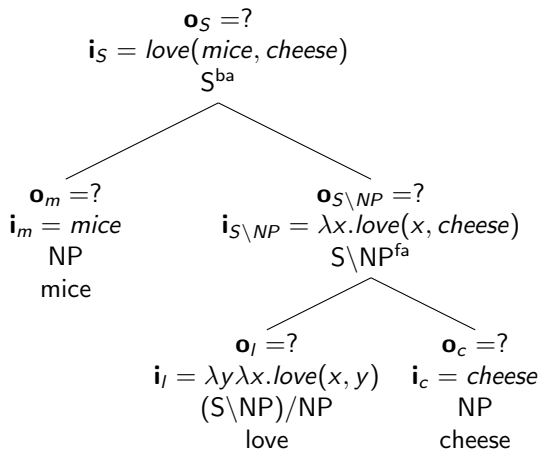
Formal semantics perspective (cont.)



They are “inner” meanings



How about “outer” meanings?



Key point

Outer meanings (i.e., context representations) are for word/phrase prediction.

Example

World model M :

- ▶ Mice love cheese
- ▶ Tom love cheese
- ▶ Mice hate cats

What can we predict about X given a context:

- ▶ X love cheese $\rightarrow X \in \{mice, Tom\}$
- ▶ mice X cheese $\rightarrow X \in \{love\}$

Proposal

$M \models \mathbf{o(i)}$

- ▶ Define “variable-swapping” function: $\gamma(\lambda x \lambda y. Q) = \lambda y \lambda x. Q$
($\gamma = \lambda U. \lambda y \lambda x. Uxy$)
- ▶ Define six “variable-raising” functions

$$\beta_1(\lambda P. P) = \lambda x \lambda P. Px$$

$$\beta_2(\lambda P. Pv) = \lambda y \lambda P. Pyv$$

$$\beta_3(\lambda P. P) = \lambda Q \lambda P. (QP)$$

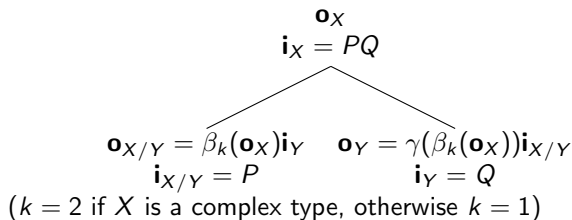
$$\beta_4(\lambda P. Pv) = \lambda Q \lambda P. (Q(Pv))$$

$$\beta_5(\lambda P. P) = \lambda Q \lambda P. (Q \wedge P)$$

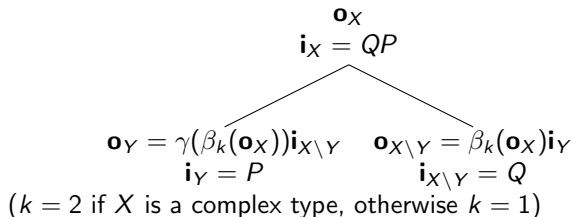
$$\beta_6(\lambda P. Pv) = \lambda Q \lambda P. (Qv \wedge Pv)$$

Five extended CCG rules

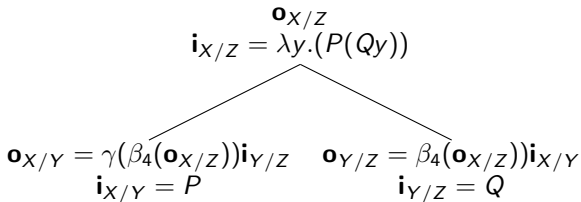
- ▶ Forward Application (fa)



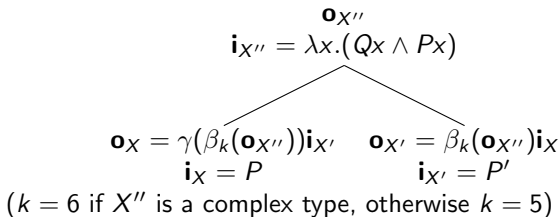
- ▶ Backward Application (ba)



► Composition (comp)



► Coordination (conj)

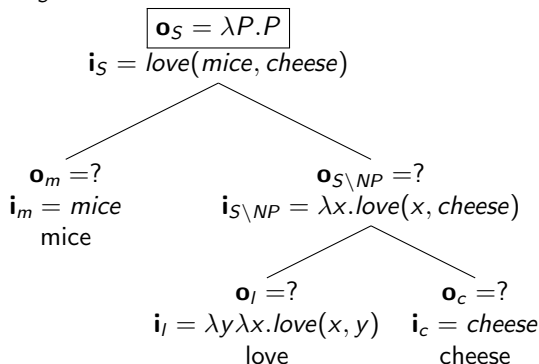


► Type raising (tr)

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{o}_{T/(T \setminus NP)} \\ \mathbf{i}_{T/(T \setminus NP)} = \lambda R.(Ra) \\ | \\ \mathbf{o}_{NP} = \mathbf{o}_{T/(T \setminus NP)}(\lambda R.R) \\ \mathbf{i}_{NP} = a \end{array}$$

Example: Mice love cheese

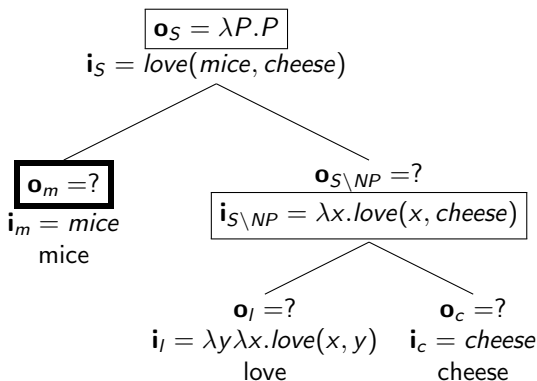
Compute \mathbf{o}_S



$\mathbf{o}_S(\mathbf{i}_S) = (\lambda P. P)(\text{love}(\text{mice}, \text{cheese})) = \text{love}(\text{mice}, \text{cheese})$

Hence, $M \models \mathbf{o}_S(\mathbf{i}_S)$

Compute \mathbf{o}_m

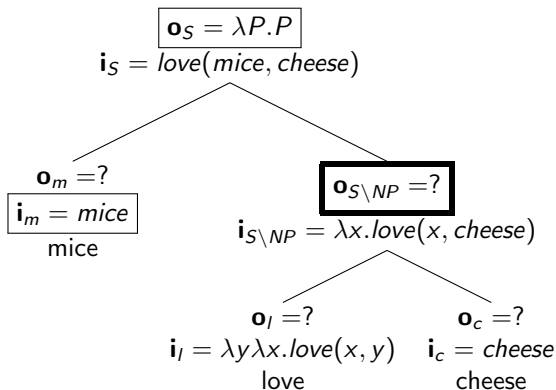


$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{o}_m &= \text{comp}_{ba, \text{left}}(\mathbf{o}_S, \mathbf{i}_{S \setminus NP}) = \gamma(\beta_1(\mathbf{o}_S))\mathbf{i}_{S \setminus NP} \\ &= (\lambda P \lambda x.Px)(\lambda x.\text{love}(x, \text{cheese})) = \lambda x.\text{love}(x, \text{cheese}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{o}_m(\mathbf{i}_m) = (\lambda x.\text{love}(x, \text{cheese}))(\text{mice}) = \text{love}(\text{mice}, \text{cheese})$$

Hence, $M \models \mathbf{o}_m(\mathbf{i}_m)$

Compute $\mathbf{o}_{S \setminus NP}$

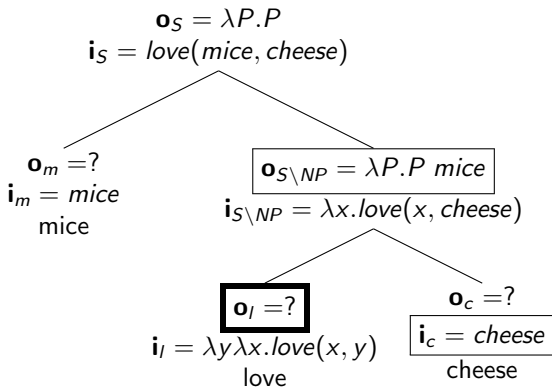


$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{o}_{S \setminus NP} &= \text{comp}_{ba, \text{right}}(\mathbf{o}_S, \mathbf{i}_m) = \beta_1(\mathbf{o}_S)(\mathbf{i}_m) \\ &= (\lambda x \lambda P.Px)(\text{mice}) = \lambda P.P \text{ mice} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{o}_{S \setminus NP}(\mathbf{i}_{S \setminus NP}) = (\lambda P.P \text{ mice})(\lambda x.\text{love}(x, \text{cheese})) = \text{love}(\text{mice}, \text{cheese})$$

$$\text{Hence, } M \models \mathbf{o}_{S \setminus NP}(\mathbf{i}_{S \setminus NP})$$

Compute \mathbf{o}_I

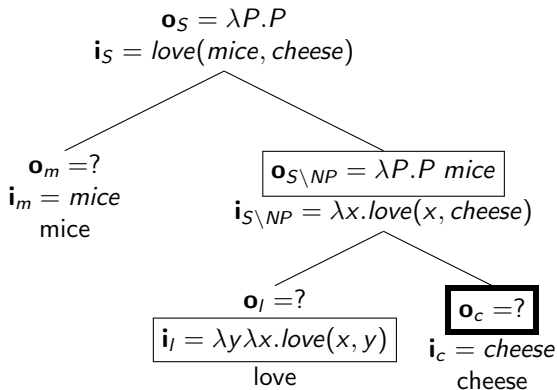


$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{o}_I &= \text{comp}_{fa, \text{left}}(\mathbf{o}_{S \setminus NP}, \mathbf{i}_c) = \beta_2(\mathbf{o}_{S \setminus NP})(\mathbf{i}_c) \\
 &= (\lambda y \lambda P.P \ y \ \text{mice})(\text{cheese}) = \lambda P.P \ \text{cheese} \ \text{mice}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{o}_I(\mathbf{i}_I) = (\lambda P.P \ \text{cheese} \ \text{mice})(\lambda y \lambda x.\text{love}(x, y)) = \text{love}(\text{mice}, \text{cheese})$$

Hence, $M \models \mathbf{o}_I(\mathbf{i}_I)$

Compute \mathbf{o}_c



$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{o}_c &= \text{comp}_{fa, right}(\mathbf{o}_{S \setminus NP}, \mathbf{i}_I) = \gamma(\beta_2(\mathbf{o}_{S \setminus NP}))(\mathbf{i}_I) \\
 &= (\lambda P \lambda y. P \ y \ \text{mice})(\lambda y \lambda x. \text{love}(x, y)) = \lambda y. \text{love}(\text{mice}, y)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{o}_c(\mathbf{i}_c) = (\lambda y. \text{love}(\text{mice}, y))(\text{cheese}) = \text{love}(\text{mice}, \text{cheese})$$

Hence, $M \models \mathbf{o}_I(\mathbf{i}_I)$

Formal semantics perspective vs IORNN

	Formal semantics	IORNN
\mathbf{o}_S	$= \lambda P.P$	$= \mathbf{o}_\emptyset$
Compose inner meanings	five CCG rules	$\mathbf{i}_{p_1} = f(\mathbf{W}'_1 \mathbf{i}_x + \mathbf{W}'_2 \mathbf{i}_y + \mathbf{b}')$
Compose outer meanings	five extended CCG rules	$\mathbf{o}_{p_1} = g(\mathbf{W}^o_1 \mathbf{o}_{p_2} + \mathbf{W}^o_2 \mathbf{i}_z + \mathbf{b}^o)$
Criterion	$M \models \mathbf{o}(\mathbf{i})$ (binary scores)	correct words/phrases are given higher scores than others (continuous scores)
Outer meanings' role	select words/phrases that make complete sentences correct in a given world model	select words/phrases that tend to occur in given contexts