

Classwork N°10  
due to 4th May 2012

Exercise: “Application of combinators to natural language analysis: aspecto-temporal analysis”

1. Derived combinators

We introduce the powers of a combinator  $X^n$  and the deferred combinators  $X_n$ , where the  $X$  is a combinator.

Gave on the board during the classwork

(a)  $B_5C_2B^2CB^2 x y z f g$

(b)  $B_3(C_2B^2) x y z f g$

(c)  $C_3B_2B x y z f$

(d)  $(B^2C_3)BB^2C x y z f g$

2. Introduction of the aspecto-temporal operators.

Give the representation of the following discourses by using the aspecto-temporal operators; STATE(O), EVENT(F), PROC(J), I-SAY.

Dialogue a.

*This morning, a car accident occurred (on a certain street intersection). A man hit someone with his red car and flew away. The police chase the red car (at this moment).*

- $\pi$ 1.1. This morning (reform: All that follows occurred last night): Temporal Framework, STATE<sub>O1</sub> (state)
- $\pi$ 1.2. a car accident occurred : EVEN<sub>F1</sub> (event)
- $\pi$ 2.1. A man hit someone with his red car: EVEN<sub>F2</sub> (event)
- $\pi$ 2.2. and flew away: EVEN<sub>F3</sub> (event)
- $\pi$ 3. The police chase the red car : PROC<sub>J1</sub> (incomplete process)

$\pi 1.1.$   $PROC_{J_0}$  (I-SAY (& (STATE<sub>O<sub>1</sub></sub> (All that follows occurred this morning)) [ $\delta(O^1) < \delta(J^0)$ ])  
 $\pi 1.2.$   $PROC_{J_0}$  (I-SAY (& (EVEN<sub>F<sub>1</sub></sub> (occurred (a car accident)) [ $\delta(F^1) < \delta(J^0)$ ])  
 $\pi 2.1.$   $PROC_{J_0}$  (I-SAY (& (EVEN<sub>F<sub>2</sub></sub> (((with his red car)hit) (someone))(a man))) [ $\delta(F^2) < \delta(J^0)$ ])  
 $\pi 2.2.$   $PROC_{J_0}$  (I-SAY (& (EVEN<sub>F<sub>3</sub></sub> (( away(flew)) (a man)))) [ $\delta(F^3) < \delta(J^0)$ ])  
 $p3.$   $PROC_{J_0}$  (I-SAY (& (PROC<sub>J<sub>1</sub></sub> ((chase (the red car))(the police))) [ $\delta(J^1) = \delta(J^0)$ ])

1/ a car accident occurred  
 2/ ((-ed occur)(a car accident))  
 3/ past-suffix  $P_1 A^1$   
 4/ COMPLETE-EVENT-PAST ( $P_1 A^1$ )  
 5/ [COMPLETE-EVENT-PAST=X & ([ $\delta(F^1) < \delta(J^0)$ ]) I-am-saying EVEN<sub>F<sub>1</sub></sub>]  
 6/ [X=  $B_6 C_3 C_3 CB^2$ ]  
 7/ I-am-saying (& (EVEN<sub>F<sub>1</sub></sub> ( $P_1 A^1$ ))([ $\delta(F^1) < \delta(J^0)$ ]))  
 8/ [I-am-saying =B PROC<sub>J<sub>0</sub></sub> (I-SAY)]  
 9/ PROC<sub>J<sub>0</sub></sub> (I-SAY (& (EVEN<sub>F<sub>1</sub></sub> ( $P_1 A^1$ )) ([ $\delta(F^1) < \delta(J^0)$ ]))  
 10/ PROC<sub>J<sub>0</sub></sub> (I-SAY (& (EVEN<sub>F<sub>1</sub></sub> (occur (a car accident)) [ $\delta(F^1) < \delta(J^0)$ ]))

1/ the police chase the red car  
 2/ ((chase (the red car))(the police)))  
 3/ (prst<sub>-process</sub> ( $P_2$ ) )  $A^2 A^1$   
 4/ [prst<sub>-process</sub> = déf  $B^2$  INC PRST]  
 5/  $B^2$  INC PRST  $P_2 A^2 A^1$  int.  $B^2$   
 6/ INC PRST ( $P_2 A^2 A^1$ ) repl. 6, 5  
 7/ [INC PRST=déf  $\exists J^0 J^1 \{B^2(C_2 B) B^2$  I-am-saying<sub>J<sub>0</sub></sub> & PROC<sub>J<sub>1</sub></sub> ([ $\delta(J^1)=\delta(J^0)$ ])}] int.  $\exists$   
 8/ [INC PRST<sub>J<sub>1</sub> J<sub>0</sub></sub> =déf  $B^2(C_2 B) B^2$  I-am-saying<sub>J<sub>0</sub></sub> & PROC<sub>J<sub>1</sub></sub> ([ $\delta(J^1)=\delta(J^0)$ ])] def.  
 9/  $B^2(C_2 B) B^2$  I-am-saying<sub>J<sub>0</sub></sub> & PROC<sub>J<sub>1</sub></sub> ([ $\delta(J^1)=\delta(J^0)$ ]) ( $P_2 A^2 A^1$ ) int.  $B^2$   
 10/  $C_2 B (B^2$  I-am-saying<sub>J<sub>0</sub></sub> &) PROC<sub>J<sub>1</sub></sub> ([ $\delta(J^1)=\delta(J^0)$ ]) ( $P_2 A^2 A^1$ ) int.  $C_2$   
 11/  $B (B^2$  I-am-saying<sub>J<sub>0</sub></sub> &) PROC<sub>J<sub>1</sub></sub> ( $P_2 A^2 A^1$ ) ([ $\delta(J^1)=\delta(J^0)$ ]) int.  $B$   
 12/  $B^2$  I-am-saying<sub>J<sub>0</sub></sub> & (PROC<sub>J<sub>1</sub></sub> ( $P_2 A^2 A^1$ )) ([ $\delta(J^1)=\delta(J^0)$ ]) int.  $B^2$   
 13/ I-am-saying<sub>J<sub>0</sub></sub> (& (PROC<sub>J<sub>1</sub></sub> ( $P_2 A^2 A^1$ )) ([ $\delta(J^1)=\delta(J^0)$ ]) ) hyp.  
 14/ I-am-saying<sub>J<sub>0</sub></sub> (& (PROC<sub>J<sub>1</sub></sub> ((chase (the red car))(the police))) ([ $\delta(J^1)=\delta(J^0)$ ]) )

Dialogue b.

Anna is explicating the reason for being late (to her boss): “ I went to the garage. And I found that I forgot to put oil in the car. So I have taken the bus.” (Lascares and Asher, 1993)

- $\pi 1.$  PROC<sub>J0</sub> (I-SAY (& (PROC<sub>J1</sub> ((is explicating (the reason for being late))(Anna))) [ $\delta(J^1) = \delta(J^0)$ ])  
 $\pi 2.$  PROC<sub>J0</sub> (I-SAY (& (EVEN<sub>F1</sub> (((to the garage)went)(I))) [ $\delta(F^1) < \delta(J^0)$ ])  
 $\pi 3.$  PROC<sub>J0</sub> (I-SAY (& (EVEN<sub>F2</sub> (((in the car)(to put oil)) (forgot))(I))) [ $\delta(F^2) < \delta(J^0)$ ])  
 $\pi 4.$  PROC<sub>J0</sub> (I-SAY (& (EVEN<sub>F3</sub> (( have taken(the bus)) (I)))[ $\delta(F^3) < \delta(J^0)$ ])

- 1/ Anna is explicating the reason for being late  
 2/(((is -ing) explicat-) (the reason for being late))(Anna))  
 3/ (prst<sub>-process</sub> (P<sub>2</sub>) ) A<sup>2</sup>A<sup>1</sup>  
 4/ [prst<sub>-process</sub> = déf B<sup>2</sup>INC PRST]  
 5/ B<sup>2</sup> INC PRST P<sub>2</sub> A<sup>2</sup> A<sup>1</sup> int. B<sup>2</sup>  
 6/ INC PRST (P<sub>2</sub> A<sup>2</sup> A<sup>1</sup>) repl. 6, 5  
 7/ [INC PRST=déf  $\exists J^0 J^1 \{B^2(C_2 B) B^2$  I-am-saying<sub>J0</sub> & PROC<sub>J1</sub> ( $[\delta(J^1)=\delta(J^0)]$ )] int.  $\exists$   
 8/ [INC PRST<sub>J1 J0</sub> =déf B<sup>2</sup> (C<sub>2</sub> B) B<sup>2</sup> I-am-saying<sub>J0</sub> & PROC<sub>J1</sub> ( $[\delta(J^1)=\delta(J^0)]$ )] def.  
 9/ B<sup>2</sup> (C<sub>2</sub> B) B<sup>2</sup> I-am-saying<sub>J0</sub> & PROC<sub>J1</sub> ( $[\delta(J^1)=\delta(J^0)]$ ) (P<sub>2</sub> A<sup>2</sup> A<sup>1</sup>) int. B<sup>2</sup>  
 10/ C<sub>2</sub> B (B<sup>2</sup> I-am-saying<sub>J0</sub> &) PROC<sub>J1</sub> ( $[\delta(J^1)=\delta(J^0)]$ ) (P<sub>2</sub> A<sup>2</sup> A<sup>1</sup>) int. C<sub>2</sub>  
 11/ B (B<sup>2</sup> I-am-saying<sub>J0</sub> &) PROC<sub>J1</sub> (P<sub>2</sub> A<sup>2</sup> A<sup>1</sup>) ( $[\delta(J^1)=\delta(J^0)]$ ) int. B  
 12/ B<sup>2</sup> I-am-saying<sub>J0</sub> & (PROC<sub>J1</sub> (P<sub>2</sub> A<sup>2</sup> A<sup>1</sup>) ( $[\delta(J^1)=\delta(J^0)]$ )) int. B<sup>2</sup>  
 13/ I-am-saying<sub>J0</sub> (& (PROC<sub>J1</sub> (P<sub>2</sub> A<sup>2</sup> A<sup>1</sup>) ( $[\delta(J^1)=\delta(J^0)]$ )) ) hyp.  
 14/ I-am-saying<sub>J0</sub> (& (PROC<sub>J1</sub> (explicate (the reason for being late) (Anna))) ( $[\delta(J^1)=\delta(J^0)]$ ))

- 1/ I have taken the bus  
 2/ ((have -en take)(the bus)(I))  
 3/ past-suffix P<sub>2</sub>A<sup>2</sup>A<sup>1</sup>  
 4/ COMPLETE-EVENT-PAST (P<sub>2</sub>A<sup>2</sup>A<sup>1</sup>)  
 5/ [COMPLETE-EVENT-PAST=X & ( $[\delta(F^3) < \delta(J^0)]$ ) I-am-saying EVEN<sub>F3</sub> ]  
 6/ [X= B<sub>6</sub> C<sub>3</sub> C<sub>3</sub> CB<sup>2</sup>]  
 7/ I-am-saying (& (EVEN<sub>F3</sub> (P<sub>2</sub>A<sup>2</sup>A<sup>1</sup>))( $[\delta(F^3) < \delta(J^0)]$ ))  
 8/ [I-am-saying =B PROC<sub>J0</sub> (I-SAY)]  
 9/ PROC<sub>J0</sub> (I-SAY (& (EVEN<sub>F3</sub> (P<sub>2</sub>A<sup>2</sup>A<sup>1</sup>)) ( $[\delta(F^3) < \delta(J^0)]$ )))  
 10/ PROC<sub>J0</sub> (I-SAY (& (EVEN<sub>F3</sub> (take (the bus)(I)) [ $\delta(F^3) < \delta(J^0)$ ])

- (1) Give the predicate-argument structure of the sentences
- (2) Define the temporal relations between the sentences and formalize it
- (3) Try to establish the enunciative schemes of the given dialogues