

**Problem Set on Translation and Indirect Interpretation:
Answers and Notes**

1. Notes on the Answers

In Section 2, I have copied some illustrative answers from the problem sets submitted to me. In this section, I provide some notes on the answers below as well as on the problems themselves.

(1) Polynomial Operations and Algebras

- I have no comments regarding the answers to (1a)-(1c). Please see section 2 for illustrative answers to each of them.
- Regarding (1d), several folks supplied answers that simply stated something akin to:

“Because A is closed under G and F_1, \dots, F_n , A will also be closed under their composition $G\langle F_1, \dots, F_n \rangle$.”

Although this statement is true, and its truth may be patently obvious, the exercise requires you to spell out your reasoning here a bit more. Something along the following lines would be an ideal answer:

“Let $a_1, \dots, a_m \in A$. By assumption, A is closed under F_1, \dots, F_n . Consequently, $F_1(a_1, \dots, a_m) \in A, \dots, F_n(a_1, \dots, a_m) \in A$. By assumption, A is also closed under G . Therefore, $G(F_1(a_1, \dots, a_m), \dots, F_n(a_1, \dots, a_m)) \in A$. Thus, by definition of function composition, $G\langle F_1, \dots, F_n \rangle(a_1, \dots, a_m) \in A$. Since a_1, \dots, a_m were arbitrary, A is closed under $G\langle F_1, \dots, F_n \rangle$.”

(2) Derived Syntactic Rules and Meaningful Expressions

- I have no comments regarding the answers to (2a)-(2c). Please see section 2 for illustrative answers to each of them.
- Regarding (2d), an ideal answer would again be something along the following lines:

“Let $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m$ be such that each $\varphi_i \in C_{\delta^i}$. By assumption, $G_1(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m) \in C_{\delta^1}, \dots, G_n(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m) \in C_{\delta^n}$. Therefore, by assumption, $F(G_1(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m), \dots, G_n(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m)) \in C_{\delta}$. Finally, it therefore follows that $F\langle G_1, \dots, G_n \rangle(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m) \in C_{\delta}$.”

(3) **An Exercise in Indirect and Direct Interpretation of a Fragment of English**

- For (3a), in order to define the new fragment of English, each of the following three changes must be made to our earlier fragment:
 - (i) A new syntactic operation K_{Neither} must be added to the set of syntactic operations.
 - (ii) **The set E in the syntactic algebra must be redefined so as to be closed under the new operation K_{Neither}**
 - (iii) A new syntactic rule referencing K_{Neither} must be added to the set of syntactic rules.

Several folks neglected to explicitly do step (ii); however, strictly speaking it is necessary for the redefinition; otherwise E won't contain any expressions formed by K_{Neither} .

- For (3b), everyone hit upon the correct polynomial operation to correspond in the translation base to $K_{\text{Neither}} : F_{\text{And}}\langle F_{\text{Not}}\langle \text{Id}_{1,2} \rangle, F_{\text{Not}}\langle \text{Id}_{2,2} \rangle \rangle$. **However, no one actually showed that the following is a derived rule of Politics-NoQ:**

$$\langle F_{\text{And}}\langle F_{\text{Not}}\langle \text{Id}_{1,2} \rangle, F_{\text{Not}}\langle \text{Id}_{2,2} \rangle \rangle, \langle t, t \rangle, t \rangle$$

Rather, everyone simply asserted that this is a derived rule. What I wanted you to do, though, was provide a derivation/proof along the following lines:

- By (33a) on “The Notion of a Translation Base”, $\langle F_{\text{Not}}, \langle t \rangle, t \rangle \in K$, the derived rules of Politics-NoQ.
 - By (33b), $\langle \text{Id}_{1,2}, \langle t, t \rangle, t \rangle, \langle \text{Id}_{2,2}, \langle t, t \rangle, t \rangle \in K$
 - Therefore, by (33d), $\langle F_{\text{Not}}\langle \text{Id}_{1,2} \rangle, \langle t, t \rangle, t \rangle, \langle F_{\text{Not}}\langle \text{Id}_{2,2} \rangle, \langle t, t \rangle, t \rangle \in K$
 - By (33a), $\langle F_{\text{And}}, \langle t, t \rangle, t \rangle \in K$
 - Therefore, by (33d), $\langle F_{\text{And}}\langle F_{\text{Not}}\langle \text{Id}_{1,2} \rangle, F_{\text{Not}}\langle \text{Id}_{2,2} \rangle \rangle, \langle t, t \rangle, t \rangle \in K$
- For (3c,d), I was ideally wanting to see computations where the behavior of the polynomial operations ($F_{\text{And}}\langle F_{\text{Not}}\langle \text{Id}_{1,2} \rangle, F_{\text{Not}}\langle \text{Id}_{2,2} \rangle \rangle$ and $G_{\text{And}}\langle G_{\text{Not}}\langle \text{Id}_{1,2} \rangle, G_{\text{Not}}\langle \text{Id}_{2,2} \rangle \rangle$) are broken down step-by-step. Please see section 2 for an illustration.

2. Illustrative Answers from Submitted Problem Sets

(1) Polynomial Operations and Algebras

Let A be an algebra $\langle A, F_\gamma \rangle_{\gamma \in \Gamma}$, and let H be a member of the polynomial operations K over A . Show that A is closed under H .

a. Step One: Show that A is closed under F_γ for all $\gamma \in \Gamma$

Since A is an algebra, by definition, it follows that A is closed under F_γ for all $\gamma \in \Gamma$.

b. Step Two:

Let $\text{Id}_{n,m}$ be any identity function (projection function). Show that A is closed under $\text{Id}_{n,m}$.

By the definition of $\text{Id}_{n,m}$, $\forall n, m \in \mathbb{N}$, where $n \leq m$ and $\alpha = \langle \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m \rangle \in A^m$, $\text{Id}_{n,m}(\alpha) = \alpha_n \in A$. Therefore, A is closed under H .

c. Step Three: Let $a \in A$. Show that A is closed under $C_{a,m}$.

- Let $a \in A$. The constant function $C_{a,m}$ takes as argument any m -tuple β and returns a .
- For any m -tuple member β of A $C_{a,m}$ takes, $C_{a,m}$ will return a .
- Since $a \in A$, we can conclude that A is closed under $C_{a,m}$.

d. Step Four:

Let G be an n -ary function that A is closed under. Let F_1, \dots, F_n be n m -ary functions that A is closed under. Show that A is closed under $G \langle F_1, \dots, F_n \rangle$.

Let $a_1, \dots, a_m \in A$. By definition of function composition,

$$G \langle F_1, \dots, F_n \rangle (a_1, \dots, a_m) = G(F_1(a_1, \dots, a_m), \dots, F_n(a_1, \dots, a_m)).$$

Because A is closed under F_1 through F_n by assumption, the outputs of $F_1(a_1, \dots, a_m)$ through $F_n(a_1, \dots, a_m)$ will be in A . Call these elements $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$, respectively. The above is hence equivalent to $G(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$ with $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in A$. Because A is closed under G by assumption, the output will be in A .

(2) **Derived Syntactic Rules and Meaningful Expressions**

Let L be a language $\langle\langle A, F_\gamma, X_\delta, S, \delta_0 \rangle_\gamma \in \Gamma, \delta \in \Delta, R \rangle$, and let $\langle H, \langle \delta_1, \dots, \delta_n \rangle, \delta \rangle$ be a derived syntactic rule of L . Show that if $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n$ are such that each $\varphi_i \in C_{\delta_i}$, then $H(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n) \in C_\delta$.

a. Step One:

Let $\langle H, \langle \delta_1, \dots, \delta_n \rangle, \delta \rangle \in S$. Show that if $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n$ are such that each $\varphi_i \in C_{\delta_i}$, then $H(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n) \in C_\delta$.

By the definition of syntactic category, since \mathcal{H} is a syntactic rule of \mathcal{L} , $H(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n) \in C_\delta$.

b. Step Two:

Let $\langle H, \langle \delta_1, \dots, \delta_n \rangle, \delta \rangle$ be a rule of the form $\langle \text{Id}_{n,m}, \langle \delta_1, \dots, \delta_n, \dots, \delta_m \rangle, \delta_n \rangle$. Show that if $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m$ are such that each $\varphi_i \in C_{\delta_i}$, then $\text{Id}_{n,m}(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m) \in C_{\delta_n}$.

- Let $\langle H, \langle \delta_1, \dots, \delta_n \rangle, \delta \rangle$ be a rule of the form $\langle \text{Id}_{n,m}, \langle \delta_1, \dots, \delta_n, \dots, \delta_m \rangle, \delta_n \rangle$. If $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m$ are such that each $\varphi_i \in C_{\delta_i}$, then according to the definition of the identity function, $\text{Id}_{n,m}(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m)$ will return the n^{th} member φ_n of $\langle \varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m \rangle$, which is of category C_{δ_n} .
- Therefore, $\text{Id}_{n,m}(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m) \in C_{\delta_n}$.

c. Step Three:

Let $\langle H, \langle \delta_1, \dots, \delta_n \rangle, \delta \rangle$ be of the form $\langle C_{a,n}, \langle \delta_1, \dots, \delta_n \rangle, \delta \rangle$, where $a \in C_\delta$. Show that if $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n$ are such that each $\varphi_i \in C_{\delta_i}$, then $C_{a,n}(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n) \in C_\delta$.

c. Take $\langle H, \langle \delta_1, \dots, \delta_n \rangle, \delta \rangle$ to be a rule of the form $\langle C_{a,n}, \langle \delta_1, \dots, \delta_n \rangle, \delta \rangle$, where $a \in C_\delta$.

By the definition of a constant function, $C_{a,n}(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n) = a$,

so $C_{a,n}(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n) \in C_\delta$.

d. Step Four:

Let the rule $\langle F, \langle \delta_1, \dots, \delta_n \rangle, \delta \rangle$ have the property that if $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n$ are such that each $\varphi_i \in C_{\delta_i}$, then $F(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n) \in C_\delta$. In addition, for each G_1, \dots, G_n , let the rule $\langle G_j, \langle \delta'_1, \dots, \delta'_m \rangle, \delta_j \rangle$ have the property that if $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m$ are such that each $\varphi_i \in C_{\delta'_i}$, then $G_j(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m) \in C_{\delta_j}$.

Show that the rule $\langle F \langle G_1, \dots, G_n \rangle, \langle \delta'_1, \dots, \delta'_m \rangle, \delta \rangle$ has the property that if $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m$ are such that each $\varphi_i \in C_{\delta'_i}$, then $F \langle G_1, \dots, G_n \rangle(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m) \in C_\delta$.

d. Step 4:

$F(G_1, \dots, G_n)(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_m)$ is equivalent to $F(G_1(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_m), \dots, G_n(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_m))$ by the definition of function composition. By the syntactic rules for G_1, \dots, G_n and the category labels of ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_m , $G_j(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_m) \in C_{\delta_j}$. By the syntactic rule for F , the result of applying F to these outputs will be of category C_δ .

Note: To maintain consistency across the posted answers to Problem (3), I will excerpt from only one submitted assignment. It should be noted, however, that several other students also submitted comparable answers.

(3) An Exercise in Indirect and Direct Interpretation of a Fragment of English

a. Minimally alter our language Mini-English so that its expressions now include strings like *Neither Mitt smokes nor Barack smokes*.

a. Let Mini-English be the structure $\langle L, R \rangle$, where

I. L is Disambiguated Mini-English (DME) defined as follows:

$\langle E, K_\gamma, X_\delta, S_E, S \rangle_{\gamma \in \{\text{Merge-S, Merge-IV, Not, And, If, Neither}\}, \delta \in \Delta (\Delta = \{\text{NP, IV, TV, S}\})}$

• **The syntactic operations:**

In the definitions below, α and β are trees whose root nodes are ordered pairs. In addition α' and β' are the first members of the root nodes of α and β (respectively).

- (i) $K_{\text{Merge-S}}(\alpha, \beta) = \langle \alpha' \beta', \text{Merge-S} \rangle$
- (ii) $K_{\text{Merge-IV}}(\alpha, \beta) = \langle \alpha' \beta', \text{Merge-IV} \rangle$
- (iii) $K_{\text{Not}}(\alpha) = \langle \text{It is not the case that } \alpha', \text{Not} \rangle$
- (iv) $K_{\text{And}}(\alpha, \beta) = \langle \alpha' \text{ and } \beta', \text{And} \rangle$
- (v) $K_{\text{If}}(\alpha, \beta) = \langle \text{If } \alpha' \text{ then } \beta', \text{If} \rangle$
- (vi) $K_{\text{Neither}}(\alpha, \beta) = \langle \text{Neither } \alpha' \text{ nor } \beta', \text{Neither} \rangle$

- E is the smallest set that:
 - (i) For all $\delta \in \Delta$, $X_\delta \subseteq E$
 - (ii) E is closed under the operations $K_{\text{Merge-S}}$, $K_{\text{Merge-IV}}$, K_{Not} , K_{And} , K_{If} , and K_{Neither}
- The set of syntactic rules S_E is defined as follows:
 - (i) $\langle K_{\text{Merge-IV}}, \langle \text{TV}, \text{NP} \rangle, \text{IV} \rangle$
 - (ii) $\langle K_{\text{Merge-S}}, \langle \text{NP}, \text{IV} \rangle, \text{S} \rangle$
 - (iii) $\langle K_{\text{And}}, \langle \text{S}, \text{S} \rangle, \text{S} \rangle$
 - (iv) $\langle K_{\text{If}}, \langle \text{S}, \text{S} \rangle, \text{S} \rangle$
 - (v) $\langle K_{\text{Neither}}, \langle \text{S}, \text{S} \rangle, \text{S} \rangle$
 - (vi) $\langle K_{\text{Not}}, \langle \text{S} \rangle, \text{S} \rangle$

II. R is a function which takes as input a tree T in E, and returns as output the first member of the root node of T.

- b. Take our translation base in (46)-(50) on the handout “The Notion of a Translation Base”, and minimally alter it so that strings like *Neither Mitt smokes nor Barack smokes* receive appropriate translations in Politics-NoQ.

- b. Let **T** be the structure $\langle g, H_\gamma, j \rangle_{\gamma \in \{\text{Merge-S}, \text{Merge-IV}, \text{Not}, \text{And}, \text{If}, \text{Neither}\}}$, where g, H_γ , and j are defined as follows. T is a translation base from Mini-English to Politics-NoQ.

- The function $g: \Delta \rightarrow T$ ($T =$ the set of all types) is defined as follows:

$$g(\text{NP}) = e \quad g(\text{TV}) = \langle e, \langle e, t \rangle \rangle \quad g(\text{IV}) = \langle e, t \rangle \quad g(\text{S}) = t$$
- **The polynomial operations:**

(over the algebra $\langle A, F_\gamma \rangle_{\gamma \in \{\text{Concat}, \text{Not}, \text{And}\}}$)

 - (i) H_{Not} and H_{And} = F_{Not} and F_{And} , respectively
 - (ii) $H_{\text{Merge-IV}}$ = F_{Concat}
 - (iii) H_{If} = $F_{\text{Not}} \langle F_{\text{And}} \langle \text{Id}_{1,2}, F_{\text{Not}} \langle \text{Id}_{2,2} \rangle \rangle \rangle$
 - (iv) $H_{\text{Merge-S}}$ = $F_{\text{Concat}} \langle \text{Id}_{2,2}, \text{Id}_{1,2} \rangle$
 - (v) H_{Neither} = $F_{\text{And}} \langle F_{\text{Not}} \langle \text{Id}_{1,2} \rangle, F_{\text{Not}} \langle \text{Id}_{2,2} \rangle \rangle$
- - (i) $\langle H_{\text{Not}}, \langle t \rangle, t \rangle$ is a derived rule of Politics-NoQ
 - (ii) $\langle H_{\text{And}}, \langle t, t \rangle, t \rangle$ is a derived rule of Politics-NoQ
 - (iii) $\langle H_{\text{Merge-IV}}, \langle \langle e, \langle e, t \rangle \rangle, e \rangle, \langle e, t \rangle \rangle$ is a derived rule of Politics-NoQ

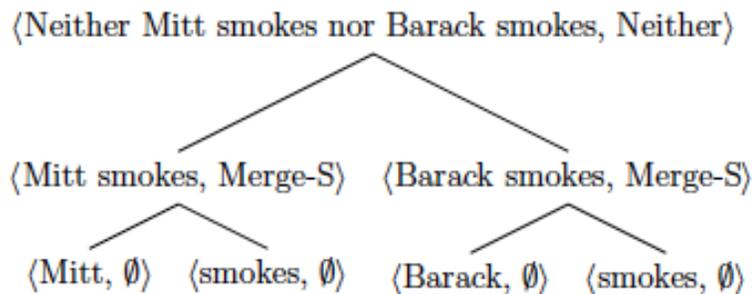
- (iv) $\langle H_{\text{If}}, \langle t, t \rangle, t \rangle$ is a derived rule of Politics-NoQ
- (v) $\langle H_{\text{Merge-S}}, \langle \langle e, t \rangle, e \rangle, t \rangle$ is a derived rule of Politics-NoQ
- (vi) $\langle H_{\text{Neither}}, \langle t, t \rangle, t \rangle$ is a derived rule of Politics-NoQ

- **The (lexical translation) function j :**

- (i) $j(\langle \text{Barack}, \emptyset \rangle) = \text{barack}'$
- (ii) $j(\langle \text{Michelle}, \emptyset \rangle) = \text{michelle}'$
- (iii) $j(\langle \text{Mitt}, \emptyset \rangle) = \text{mitt}'$
- (iv) $j(\langle \text{smokes}, \emptyset \rangle) = \text{smokes}'$
- (v) $j(\langle \text{loves}, \emptyset \rangle) = \text{loves}'$

c. Please show how your new translation base, along with our interpretation for Politics-NoQ, assigns a truth-value to the analysis tree for *Neither Mitt smokes nor Barack smokes*.

c. The sentence *Neither Mitt smokes nor Barack smokes* would be the analysis tree below in DME:



- Let k be the translation function determined by the translation base \mathbf{T} defined in (3b).
- Let T be the tree above.

$$k(T) = \quad \text{(by definition of DME)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & k(K_{\text{Neither}}(K_{\text{Merge-S}}(\langle \text{Mitt}, \emptyset \rangle, \langle \text{smokes}, \emptyset \rangle), \\
 & \quad K_{\text{Merge-S}}(\langle \text{Barack}, \emptyset \rangle, \langle \text{smokes}, \emptyset \rangle))) = \\
 & \quad \quad \quad \text{(by homomorphism property of } k)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & H_{\text{Neither}}(k(K_{\text{Merge-S}}(\langle \text{Mitt}, \emptyset \rangle, \langle \text{smokes}, \emptyset \rangle)), \\
 & \quad k(K_{\text{Merge-S}}(\langle \text{Barack}, \emptyset \rangle, \langle \text{smokes}, \emptyset \rangle))) = \\
 & \quad \quad \quad \text{(by homomorphism property of } k)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& H_{\text{Neither}}(H_{\text{Merge-S}}(k(\langle \text{Mitt}, \emptyset \rangle), k(\langle \text{smokes}, \emptyset \rangle)), \\
& \quad H_{\text{Merge-S}}(k(\langle \text{Barack}, \emptyset \rangle), k(\langle \text{smokes}, \emptyset \rangle))) = \\
& \hspace{20em} \text{(by definition of } k \text{ and } j) \\
& H_{\text{Neither}}(H_{\text{Merge-S}}(j(\langle \text{Mitt}, \emptyset \rangle), j(\langle \text{smokes}, \emptyset \rangle)), \\
& \quad H_{\text{Merge-S}}(j(\langle \text{Barack}, \emptyset \rangle), j(\langle \text{smokes}, \emptyset \rangle))) = \\
& \hspace{20em} \text{(by definition of } j) \\
& H_{\text{Neither}}(H_{\text{Merge-S}}(\mathbf{mitt}', \mathbf{smokes}'), \\
& \quad H_{\text{Merge-S}}(\mathbf{barack}', \mathbf{smokes}')) = \quad \text{(by the definition of } H_{\text{Merge-S}}) \\
& H_{\text{Neither}}(F_{\text{Concat}}(\text{Id}_{2,2}, \text{Id}_{1,2})(\mathbf{mitt}', \mathbf{smokes}'), \\
& \quad F_{\text{Concat}}(\text{Id}_{2,2}, \text{Id}_{1,2})(\mathbf{barack}', \mathbf{smokes}')) = \\
& \hspace{10em} \text{(by definition of function composition)} \\
& H_{\text{Neither}}(F_{\text{Concat}}(\text{Id}_{2,2}(\mathbf{mitt}', \mathbf{smokes}'), \text{Id}_{1,2}(\mathbf{mitt}', \mathbf{smokes}')), \\
& \quad F_{\text{Concat}}(\text{Id}_{2,2}(\mathbf{barack}', \mathbf{smokes}'), \text{Id}_{1,2}(\mathbf{barack}', \mathbf{smokes}'))) = \\
& \hspace{10em} \text{(by definition of } \text{Id}_{2,2} \text{ and } \text{Id}_{1,2}) \\
& H_{\text{Neither}}(F_{\text{Concat}}(\mathbf{smokes}', \mathbf{mitt}'), F_{\text{Concat}}(\mathbf{smokes}', \mathbf{barack}')) = \\
& \hspace{10em} \text{(by definition of } H_{\text{Neither}}) \\
& F_{\text{And}}(F_{\text{Not}}(\text{Id}_{1,2}), F_{\text{Not}}(\text{Id}_{2,2}))(F_{\text{Concat}}(\mathbf{smokes}', \mathbf{mitt}'), \\
& \quad F_{\text{Concat}}(\mathbf{smokes}', \mathbf{barack}')) = \\
& \hspace{10em} \text{(by definition of function composition)} \\
& F_{\text{And}}(F_{\text{Not}}(\text{Id}_{1,2})(F_{\text{Concat}}(\mathbf{smokes}', \mathbf{mitt}'), F_{\text{Concat}}(\mathbf{smokes}', \mathbf{barack}')), \\
& \quad F_{\text{Not}}(\text{Id}_{2,2})(F_{\text{Concat}}(\mathbf{smokes}', \mathbf{mitt}'), F_{\text{Concat}}(\mathbf{smokes}', \mathbf{barack}'))) = \\
& \hspace{10em} \text{(by definition of function composition)} \\
& F_{\text{And}}(F_{\text{Not}}(\text{Id}_{1,2}(F_{\text{Concat}}(\mathbf{smokes}', \mathbf{mitt}'), F_{\text{Concat}}(\mathbf{smokes}', \mathbf{barack}'))), \\
& \quad F_{\text{Not}}(\text{Id}_{2,2}(F_{\text{Concat}}(\mathbf{smokes}', \mathbf{mitt}'), F_{\text{Concat}}(\mathbf{smokes}', \mathbf{barack}')))) = \\
& \hspace{10em} \text{(by definition of } F_{\text{Concat}}) \\
& F_{\text{And}}(F_{\text{Not}}(\text{Id}_{1,2}((\mathbf{smokes}' \mathbf{mitt}'), (\mathbf{smokes}' \mathbf{barack}'))), \\
& \quad F_{\text{Not}}(\text{Id}_{2,2}((\mathbf{smokes}' \mathbf{mitt}'), (\mathbf{smokes}' \mathbf{barack}')))) = \\
& \hspace{10em} \text{(by definition of } \text{Id}_{1,2} \text{ and } \text{Id}_{2,2}) \\
& F_{\text{And}}(F_{\text{Not}}(\mathbf{smokes}' \mathbf{mitt}'), F_{\text{Not}}(\mathbf{smokes}' \mathbf{barack}')) = \\
& \hspace{10em} \text{(by definition of } F_{\text{Not}}) \\
& F_{\text{And}}(\sim(\mathbf{smokes}' \mathbf{mitt}'), \sim(\mathbf{smokes}' \mathbf{barack}')) = \\
& \hspace{10em} \text{(by definition of } F_{\text{And}}) \\
& (\sim(\mathbf{smokes}' \mathbf{mitt}') \ \& \ \sim(\mathbf{smokes}' \mathbf{barack}'))
\end{aligned}$$

- Now that we have mapped the tree in DME to the meaningful expression in Politics-NoQ, $(\sim(\mathbf{smokes}' \mathbf{mitt}')) \ \& \ \sim(\mathbf{smokes}' \mathbf{barack}'))$, we can use the interpretation \mathbf{B} for Politics-NoQ to assign a truth-value to the meaningful expression.
- Let $\mathbf{B} = \langle \mathbf{B}, G_\gamma, f \rangle_{\gamma \in \{\text{Concat}, \text{Not}, \text{And}\}}$ be the Fregean interpretation for Politics-NoQ, as defined in (16) on the handout “Montague’s Theory of Translation: Laying the Groundwork”.
- Let the meaning assignment function g be a homomorphism from Politics-NoQ to \mathbf{B} .

$$\begin{aligned}
 &g((\sim(\mathbf{smokes}' \mathbf{mitt}')) \ \& \ \sim(\mathbf{smokes}' \mathbf{barack}')) = \\
 &\hspace{20em}(\text{by definition of Politics-NoQ}) \\
 &g(F_{\text{And}}(F_{\text{Not}}(F_{\text{Concat}}(\mathbf{smokes}', \mathbf{mitt}')), \\
 &\quad F_{\text{Not}}(F_{\text{Concat}}(\mathbf{smokes}', \mathbf{barack}')))) = \\
 &\hspace{20em}(\text{by homomorphism property of } g) \\
 &G_{\text{And}}(g(F_{\text{Not}}(F_{\text{Concat}}(\mathbf{smokes}', \mathbf{mitt}')), \\
 &\quad g(F_{\text{Not}}(F_{\text{Concat}}(\mathbf{smokes}', \mathbf{barack}'))))) = \\
 &\hspace{20em}(\text{by homomorphism property of } g) \\
 &G_{\text{And}}(G_{\text{Not}}(g(F_{\text{Concat}}(\mathbf{smokes}', \mathbf{mitt}'))), \\
 &\quad G_{\text{Not}}(g(F_{\text{Concat}}(\mathbf{smokes}', \mathbf{barack}')))) = \\
 &\hspace{20em}(\text{by homomorphism property of } g) \\
 &G_{\text{And}}(G_{\text{Not}}(G_{\text{Concat}}(g(\mathbf{smokes}'), g(\mathbf{mitt}'))), \\
 &\quad G_{\text{Not}}(G_{\text{Concat}}(g(\mathbf{smokes}'), g(\mathbf{barack}')))) = \hspace{5em}(\text{by definition of } g) \\
 &G_{\text{And}}(G_{\text{Not}}(G_{\text{Concat}}(f(\mathbf{smokes}'), f(\mathbf{mitt}'))), \\
 &\quad G_{\text{Not}}(G_{\text{Concat}}(f(\mathbf{smokes}'), f(\mathbf{barack}')))) = \\
 &\hspace{20em}(\text{by definition of } f \text{ in (16)}) \\
 &G_{\text{And}}(G_{\text{Not}}(G_{\text{Concat}}(h, \text{Mitt})), G_{\text{Not}}(G_{\text{Concat}}(h, \text{Barack}))) = \\
 &\hspace{20em}(\text{by definition of } G_{\text{Concat}}) \\
 &G_{\text{And}}(G_{\text{Not}}(h(\text{Mitt})), G_{\text{Not}}(h(\text{Barack}))) = \hspace{5em}(\text{by definition of } h \text{ in (16)}) \\
 &G_{\text{And}}(G_{\text{Not}}(0), G_{\text{Not}}(1)) = \hspace{20em}(\text{by definition of } G_{\text{Not}}) \\
 &G_{\text{And}}(1, 0) = \hspace{20em}(\text{by definition of } G_{\text{And}}) \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

- d. Given your proposed translation base, construct a direct interpretation of Disambiguated Mini-English, and show how it interprets *Neither Mitt smokes nor Michelle smokes*.

d. Let $\mathbf{B} = \langle \mathbf{B}, J_\gamma, l \rangle_{\gamma \in \{\text{Merge-S, Merge-IV, Not, And, If, Neither}\}}$ be the Fregean interpretation of DME, defined as follows:

- **The definition of the set \mathbf{B} :**

The set \mathbf{B} is the same set as the set \mathbf{B} in $\mathbf{B} = \langle \mathbf{B}, G_\gamma, f \rangle_{\gamma \in \{\text{Concat, Not, And}\}}$, the interpretation of Politics-NoQ previously defined.

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{B} = \bigcup_{\tau \in T} D_\tau, \{\text{Michelle, Barack, Mitt}\}$$

- **The definition of semantic operations:**

The polynomial operations over $\langle \mathbf{B}, G_\gamma \rangle_{\gamma \in \{\text{Concat, Not, And}\}}$, $\{J_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in \{\text{Merge-S, Merge-IV, Not, And, If, Neither}\}}$, are defined as follows:

(i) $J_{\text{Not}} = G_{\text{Not}}$

(ii) $J_{\text{And}} = G_{\text{And}}$

(iii) $J_{\text{If}} = G_{\text{Not}} \langle G_{\text{And}} \langle \text{Id}_{1,2}, G_{\text{Not}} \langle \text{Id}_{2,2} \rangle \rangle \rangle$

(iv) $J_{\text{Merge-IV}} = G_{\text{Concat}}$

(v) $J_{\text{Merge-S}} = G_{\text{Concat}} \langle \text{Id}_{2,2}, \text{Id}_{1,2} \rangle$

(vi) $J_{\text{Neither}} = G_{\text{And}} \langle G_{\text{Not}} \langle \text{Id}_{1,2} \rangle, G_{\text{Not}} \langle \text{Id}_{2,2} \rangle \rangle$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \mathbf{B}, J_\gamma \rangle_{\gamma \in \{\text{Merge-S, Merge-IV, Not, And, If, Neither}\}}$$
 is an algebra.

- **The definition of the Lexical Interpretation Function:**

The lexical interpretation function l is defined as follows:

(i) $l(\langle \text{Barack}, \emptyset \rangle) = \text{Barack}$

(ii) $l(\langle \text{Michelle}, \emptyset \rangle) = \text{Michelle}$

(iii) $l(\langle \text{Mitt}, \emptyset \rangle) = \text{Mitt}$

(iv) $l(\langle \text{smokes}, \emptyset \rangle) = h = f(\text{smokes}')$

(v) $l(\langle \text{loves}, \emptyset \rangle) = j = f(\text{loves}')$

- Let the meaning assignment function g be the unique homomorphism determined by \mathbf{B} : $l \subseteq g$.
- Let T be the analysis tree for *Neither Mitt smokes nor Michelle smokes* in DME.

$$\begin{aligned}
g(T) &= && \text{(by definition of DME)} \\
g(K_{\text{Neither}}(K_{\text{Merge-S}}(\langle \text{Mitt}, \emptyset \rangle, \langle \text{smokes}, \emptyset \rangle), & \\
K_{\text{Merge-S}}(\langle \text{Michelle}, \emptyset \rangle, \langle \text{smokes}, \emptyset \rangle))) &= && \\
&&& \text{(by homomorphism property of } g) \\
J_{\text{Neither}}(g(K_{\text{Merge-S}}(\langle \text{Mitt}, \emptyset \rangle, \langle \text{smokes}, \emptyset \rangle)), & \\
g(K_{\text{Merge-S}}(\langle \text{Michelle}, \emptyset \rangle, \langle \text{smokes}, \emptyset \rangle))) &= && \\
&&& \text{(by homomorphism property of } g) \\
J_{\text{Neither}}(J_{\text{Merge-S}}(g(\langle \text{Mitt}, \emptyset \rangle), g(\langle \text{smokes}, \emptyset \rangle)), & \\
J_{\text{Merge-S}}(g(\langle \text{Michelle}, \emptyset \rangle), g(\langle \text{smokes}, \emptyset \rangle))) &= && \text{(by definition of } g) \\
J_{\text{Neither}}(J_{\text{Merge-S}}(l(\langle \text{Mitt}, \emptyset \rangle), l(\langle \text{smokes}, \emptyset \rangle)), & \\
J_{\text{Merge-S}}(l(\langle \text{Michelle}, \emptyset \rangle), l(\langle \text{smokes}, \emptyset \rangle))) &= && \text{(by definition of } l) \\
J_{\text{Neither}}(J_{\text{Merge-S}}(\text{Mitt}, h), J_{\text{Merge-S}}(\text{Michelle}, h)) &= && \\
&&& \text{(by definition of } J_{\text{Merge-S}}) \\
J_{\text{Neither}}(G_{\text{Concat}}(\text{Id}_{2,2}, \text{Id}_{1,2})(\text{Mitt}, h), & \\
G_{\text{Concat}}(\text{Id}_{2,2}, \text{Id}_{1,2})(\text{Michelle}, h)) &= && \\
&&& \text{(by definition of function composition)} \\
J_{\text{Neither}}(G_{\text{Concat}}(\text{Id}_{2,2}(\text{Mitt}, h), \text{Id}_{1,2}(\text{Mitt}, h)), & \\
G_{\text{Concat}}(\text{Id}_{2,2}(\text{Michelle}, h), \text{Id}_{1,2}(\text{Michelle}, h))) &= && \\
&&& \text{(by definition of } \text{Id}_{2,2} \text{ and } \text{Id}_{1,2}) \\
J_{\text{Neither}}(G_{\text{Concat}}(h, \text{Mitt}), G_{\text{Concat}}(h, \text{Michelle})) &= && \text{(by definition of } G_{\text{Concat}}) \\
J_{\text{Neither}}(h(\text{Mitt}), h(\text{Michelle})) &= && \text{(by definition of } J_{\text{Neither}}) \\
G_{\text{And}}(G_{\text{Not}}(\text{Id}_{1,2}), G_{\text{Not}}(\text{Id}_{2,2}))(h(\text{Mitt}), h(\text{Michelle})) &= && \\
&&& \text{(by definition of function composition)} \\
G_{\text{And}}(G_{\text{Not}}(\text{Id}_{1,2})(h(\text{Mitt}), h(\text{Michelle})), & \\
G_{\text{Not}}(\text{Id}_{2,2})(h(\text{Mitt}), h(\text{Michelle}))) &= && \\
&&& \text{(by definition of function composition)} \\
G_{\text{And}}(G_{\text{Not}}(\text{Id}_{1,2}(h(\text{Mitt}), h(\text{Michelle}))), & \\
G_{\text{Not}}(\text{Id}_{2,2}(h(\text{Mitt}), h(\text{Michelle})))) &= && \text{(by definition of } \text{Id}_{1,2} \text{ and } \text{Id}_{2,2}) \\
G_{\text{And}}(G_{\text{Not}}(h(\text{Mitt})), G_{\text{Not}}(h(\text{Michelle}))) &= && \text{(by definition of } h) \\
G_{\text{And}}(G_{\text{Not}}(0), G_{\text{Not}}(0)) &= && \text{(by definition of } G_{\text{Not}}) \\
G_{\text{And}}(1, 1) &= && \text{(by definition of } G_{\text{And}})
\end{aligned}$$