

## 1. A New Theory of Quantifiers

In what follows, we offer an account of quantifiers in terms of a new class of type-theoretic objects, which we call *junctions*, which are infinitary-operators.<sup>1</sup> Before we are finished, we will have proposed six different junctions.

$\wedge$	conjunction	every
$\vee$	disjunction	some
$\prod$	subjunction	any
$\boxtimes$	exclusive-disjunction	exactly-one
$\Sigma$	sum	"a" (base) <sup>2</sup>
$\Pi$	product	"a" (promoted)

## 2. Infinitary-Conjunction

First, we posit a new type-forming operator  $\wedge$  – called ‘conjunction’, defined so that if  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a type, then so is  $\wedge\mathfrak{S}$ .

We further propose the following type-identity,

$$\wedge S = S$$

which reflects the intuition that the conjunction of any collection of sentences is itself a sentence. We further propose the following formation rule.

If  $v$  is a variable,  $\varepsilon$  is an expression of type  $\mathfrak{S}$ , and  $\Phi$  is a formula, then

$$\wedge_v \{ \varepsilon \mid \Phi \}$$

is an expression of type  $\wedge\mathfrak{S}$ , which is read:

the conjunction (over  $v$ ) of all  $\varepsilon$  such that  $\Phi$ .

If  $\varepsilon$  and  $\Phi$  share exactly one free variable, then this is understood to be the variable of abstraction, so we omit it, in which case we have (informal) expressions of the following form,

$$\wedge \{ \varepsilon \mid \Phi \}$$

which we read:

the conjunction of all  $\varepsilon$  such that  $\Phi$ .

With this in hand, we interpret ‘every’ as follows.

$\llbracket \text{every} \rrbracket = \lambda P_0 \wedge \{ x \mid Px \}$
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For example:

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket \text{every man} \rrbracket &= \wedge \{ x \mid x \text{ is a man} \} \\ &= \text{the conjunction of all men} \\ &\approx \text{man}_1 \text{ and } \text{man}_2 \text{ and } \dots \text{ and } \text{man}_k \end{aligned}$$

where  $\{ \text{man}_1, \dots, \text{man}_k \}$  constitute all the men.

<sup>1</sup> By an infinitary-operator, we mean an operator that acts on a *collection of arguments* of arbitrary size, even infinite, and even empty.

<sup>2</sup> The indefinite article ‘a’ is scare-quoted because the indefinite article is often not pronounced; in English, it is required before a singular-noun, but prohibited before a count-noun or mass-noun. Compare this to Spanish which has plural indefinite articles [‘unas’ and ‘unos’].

### 3. Examples

1. every man is virtuous

	every	man	[+1]	is	virtuous
	$\lambda P_0 \wedge \{x \mid Px\}$	$\mathbf{M}_0$		$\lambda P_0 \{P_1\}$	$\mathbf{V}_0$
①	$\wedge \{x \mid \mathbf{M}x\}$		$\lambda x \{x_1\}$		
③	$\wedge \{x_1 \mid \mathbf{M}x\}$			$\mathbf{V}_1$	
④	$\wedge \{\mathbf{V}x \mid \mathbf{M}x\}$				
⑤	$\forall x \{ \mathbf{M}x \rightarrow \mathbf{V}x \}$				

- (1) Compositions ① and ② involve function-application, in accordance with *expanded* lambda-conversion. Nothing new here.
- (2) Compositions ③ and ④ appeal to the following new composition principle.<sup>3</sup>

$\wedge$ -composition	
$\alpha$	$\alpha$ is any expression, or null
$\wedge_v \{\beta \mid \Phi\}$	
$\{\alpha, \beta\} \vdash \gamma$	a sub-derivation of $\gamma$ from $\{\alpha, \beta\}$
$\wedge_v \{\gamma \mid \Phi\}$	

- (4) The move from ④ to ⑤ is sanctioned by the following new type-logical rule.

$\wedge_v \{\Psi \mid \Phi\} / \forall v \{\Phi \rightarrow \Psi\}$	$[\wedge$ -simplification]
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2. every man's mother is kind

every	man	's	mother	[+1]	is	kind
$\lambda P_0 \wedge \{x \mid Px\}$	$\mathbf{M}_0$				$\lambda P_0 \{P_1\}$	$\mathbf{K}_0$
$\wedge \{x \mid \mathbf{M}x\}$		$\lambda x \{x_6\}$				
$\wedge \{x_6 \mid \mathbf{M}x\}$			$\lambda x_6 \{\mathbf{m}(x)\}$			
$\wedge \{\mathbf{m}(x) \mid \mathbf{M}x\}$				$\lambda x \{x_1\}$		
$\wedge \{\mathbf{m}(x)_1 \mid \mathbf{M}x\}$					$\mathbf{K}_1$	
$\wedge \{ \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{m}(x)] \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$						
$\forall x \{ \mathbf{M}x \rightarrow \mathbf{K}[\mathbf{m}(x)] \}$						

<sup>3</sup> This is not the final form of this rule, which is adjusted later.

## 3. Jay respects every woman

Jay	[+1]	respects	every	woman	[+2]
J	$\lambda x\{x_1\}$		$\lambda P_0 \wedge \{y \mid Py\}$	$\mathbf{W}_0$	
			$\wedge \{y \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$		$\lambda x\{x_2\}$
		$\lambda y_2 \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy$	$\wedge \{y_2 \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$		
J <sub>1</sub>			$\wedge \{\lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$		
			$\wedge \{\mathbf{R}Jy \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$		
			$\forall y \{ \mathbf{W}y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}Jy \}$		

## 4. Jay does not respect every woman

Jay	[+1]	does-not	respect	every	woman	[+2]
J	$\lambda x\{x_1\}$			$\lambda P_0 \wedge \{y \mid Py\}$	$\mathbf{W}_0$	
				$\wedge \{y \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$		$\lambda x\{x_2\}$
			$\lambda y_2 \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy$	$\wedge \{y_2 \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$		
		$\lambda P_1 \lambda x_1 \sim Px$		$\wedge \{\lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$		
J <sub>1</sub>				$\wedge \{\lambda x_1 \sim \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$		②
				$\wedge \{\sim \mathbf{R}Jy \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$		
①				$\otimes \forall y \{ \mathbf{W}y \rightarrow \sim \mathbf{R}xy \} \otimes$		

As indicated by ‘ $\otimes$ ’ on line ①, this derivation produces an illegitimate reading. The problem is that ‘every woman’ has *narrow-scope* in relation to ‘not’, but the derivation grants ‘every woman’ *wide-scope*.<sup>4</sup>

The obvious question then is how do we formally render quantifier-scope restrictions. We propose to do this by placing restraints on junction-composition, which we do as follows.

$\alpha$	$\alpha$ is any expression, or null
$\wedge_v \{\beta \mid \Phi\}$	$\wedge$ <i>admits</i> $\alpha$
$\alpha, \beta \vdash \gamma$	a sub-derivation of $\gamma$ from $\{\alpha, \beta\}$
$\wedge_v \{\gamma \mid \Phi\}$	

This leaves the following outstanding theoretical question: how do we specify which items are and are not admitted by  $\wedge$ ? We do so by constructing a list of dis-admitted items.<sup>5</sup> We start the list as follows.<sup>6</sup>

<sup>4</sup> We take ‘does not respect’ as a logical-compound that is different in meaning from the morphological-compound ‘dis-respects’. They are interchangeable in some contexts, but not others.

<sup>5</sup> We presume that if an item is not explicitly dis-admitted, then it is automatically admitted.

<sup>6</sup> *Ideally*, we will be able to specify what underlying semantic feature, or features, the dis-admitted items share, in virtue of which they are dis-admitted. We might fall short of this ideal, however, in which case we will have to accept a certain amount of theoretical inelegance in our system.

( $\wedge$ 1)  $\wedge$  does not admit  $\lambda P_1 \lambda x_1 \sim Px$  ('does-not').

Now, when we go back and examine the computation above, we notice that composition ② involves  $\wedge$  *admitting*  $\llbracket$ does not $\rrbracket$ , which is now officially prohibited. So, in order to complete the computation, we must instead insert an extra type-logical step, as in the following derivation.

Jay	[+1]	does-not	respect	every	woman	[+2]	
J	$\lambda x\{x_1\}$			$\lambda P_0 \wedge \{y \mid Py\}$	$\mathbf{W}_0$		
				$\wedge \{y \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$		$\lambda x\{x_2\}$	
			$\lambda y_2 \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy$	$\wedge \{y_2 \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$			
				$\wedge \{\lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$			①
		$\lambda P_1 \lambda x_1 \sim Px$		$\lambda x_1 \forall y \{\mathbf{W}y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}xy\}$			②
$J_1$				$\lambda x_1 \sim \forall y \{\mathbf{W}y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}xy\}$			
				$\sim \forall y \{ \mathbf{W}y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}Jy \}$			

In particular, ② is obtained from ① by the following type-logical derivation.

(1)	$\wedge \{\lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$	$\wedge(D_1 \rightarrow S)$	1	Pr
(2)	$x_1$	$D_1$	2	As
(3)	$\wedge \{\mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$	$\wedge S [=S]$	12	1,2, $\wedge$ -com <sup>7</sup>
(4)	$\forall y \{\mathbf{W}y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}xy\}$	S	12	$\wedge$ -Simp
(5)	$\lambda x_1 \forall y \{\mathbf{W}y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}xy\}$	$D_1 \rightarrow S$	1	2,4, $\lambda I$

Moreover, item ② readily combines with  $\llbracket$ does not $\rrbracket$  using expanded lambda-conversion.

5. every man respects every woman

	every	man	[+1]	respects	every	woman	[+2]	
				$\lambda y_2 \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy$		$\wedge \{y_2 \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$		
		$\wedge \{x_1 \mid \mathbf{M}x\}$		$\wedge \{\lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$				
①				$\wedge \{ \wedge \{ \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y \} \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$				
				$\forall x \{ \mathbf{M}x \rightarrow \forall y \{ \mathbf{W}y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}xy \} \}$				

	every	man	[+1]	respects	every	woman	[+2]	
				$\lambda y_2 \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy$		$\wedge \{y_2 \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$		
		$\wedge \{x_1 \mid \mathbf{M}x\}$		$\wedge \{\lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$				
②				$\wedge \{ \wedge \{ \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{M}x \} \mid \mathbf{W}y \}$				
				$\forall y \{ \mathbf{W}y \rightarrow \forall x \{ \mathbf{M}x \rightarrow \mathbf{R}xy \} \}$				

<sup>7</sup> Officially,  $\wedge$ -com requires a sub-derivation; in most applications, this sub-derivation is an earlier theorem. In this particular case, the earlier theorem is completely trivial –  $\{\lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy, x_1\} \vdash \mathbf{R}xy$  – and is accordingly not even mentioned. Other times, it is not completely trivial, and is accordingly referred to as an earlier theorem.

Compositions ① and ② involve an iterated application of  $\wedge$ -composition, as detailed in the following derivations.

(1)	$\wedge \{ x_1 \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$	$\wedge S$	1	P
(2)	$\wedge \{ \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y \}$	$\wedge S$	2	P
(3)	$\wedge \{ x_1 \times \wedge \{ \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y \} \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$	$\wedge \wedge S$	12	1,2, $\wedge C$
(4)	$x_1 \times \wedge \{ \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y \} \vdash \wedge \{ \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y \}$		$\emptyset$	ET
(5)	$\wedge \{ \wedge \{ \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y \} \mid \mathbf{W}y \} \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$	$\wedge \wedge S$	12	3,4, $\wedge C$

(1)	$\wedge \{ x_1 \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$	$\wedge S$	1	P
(2)	$\wedge \{ \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y \}$	$\wedge S$	2	P
(3)	$\wedge \{ x_1 \times \wedge \{ \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{M}x \} \mid \mathbf{W}y \}$	$\wedge \wedge S$	12	1,2, $\wedge C$
(4)	$x_1 \times \wedge \{ \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{M}x \} \vdash \wedge \{ \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$		$\emptyset$	ET
(5)	$\wedge \{ \wedge \{ \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y \} \mid \mathbf{M}x \} \mid \mathbf{W}y \}$	$\wedge \wedge S$	12	3,4, $\wedge C$

6. every man who respects every man's father respects every man's mother

every	man who respects every man's father	[+1]	respects	every	man	's	mother	[+2]
				$\lambda P_0 \wedge \{ x \mid Px \}$	$\mathbf{M}_0$			
				$\wedge \{ x \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$	$\lambda x \{ x_6 \}$			
				$\wedge \{ x_6 \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$		$\lambda x_6 \{ \mathbf{m}(x) \}$		
				$\wedge \{ \mathbf{m}(x) \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$			$\lambda x \{ x_2 \}$	
			$\lambda y_2 \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy$	$\wedge \{ \mathbf{m}(x)_2 \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$				
$\lambda P_0 \wedge \{ x \mid Px \}$	(insert output of table below)							
$\wedge \{ x \mid \mathbf{M}x \ \& \ \forall y \{ \mathbf{M}y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}[x, \mathbf{f}(y)] \} \}$			$\lambda x \{ x_1 \}$					
$\wedge \{ x_1 \mid \mathbf{M}x \ \& \ \forall y \{ \mathbf{M}y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}[x, \mathbf{f}(y)] \} \}$				$\wedge \{ \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}[x, \mathbf{m}(y)] \mid \mathbf{M}y \}$				
$\wedge \{ \wedge \{ \mathbf{R}[x, \mathbf{m}(y)] \mid \mathbf{M}y \} \mid \mathbf{M}x \ \& \ \forall y \{ \mathbf{M}y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}[x, \mathbf{f}(y)] \} \}$								
$\forall x \{ \{ \mathbf{M}x \ \& \ \forall y \{ \mathbf{M}y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}[x, \mathbf{f}(y)] \} \} \rightarrow \forall y \{ \mathbf{M}y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}[x, \mathbf{m}(y)] \} \}$								

man	who	[+1]	respects	every	man	's	father	[+2]
	$\lambda Q_1 \lambda P_0 \lambda x_0 \{ Px \ \& \ Qx \}$	$\lambda x \{ x_1 \}$		$\lambda P_0 \wedge \{ x \mid Px \}$	$\mathbf{M}_0$			
				$\wedge \{ x \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$	$\lambda x \{ x_6 \}$			
				$\wedge \{ x_6 \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$		$\lambda x_6 \{ \mathbf{f}(x) \}$		
				$\wedge \{ \mathbf{f}(x) \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$			$\lambda x \{ x_2 \}$	
			$\lambda y_2 \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy$	$\wedge \{ \mathbf{f}(x)_2 \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$				
				$\wedge \{ \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}[x, \mathbf{f}(x)] \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$				
				$\lambda x_1 \forall y \{ \mathbf{M}y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}[x, \mathbf{f}(y)] \}$				
$\mathbf{M}_0$	$\lambda P_0 \lambda x_0 \{ Px \ \& \ \forall y \{ \mathbf{M}y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}[x, \mathbf{f}(y)] \} \}$							
	$\lambda x_0 \{ \mathbf{M}x \ \& \ \forall y \{ \mathbf{M}y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}[x, \mathbf{f}(y)] \} \}$							

①

②

Note that ① could be combined with  $\llbracket \text{who}_1 \rrbracket$ , using  $\wedge$ -composition, *except* that we now add the following further restriction on admissibility.

( $\wedge 2$ )  $\wedge$  does not admit any relative-pronoun-phrase.<sup>8</sup>

This corresponds to a syntactic-restriction on quantifier-movement, according to which ‘every’ cannot be moved outside any relative clause in which it appears.<sup>9</sup>

Given that  $\wedge$  does not admit relative-pronoun-phrases, we must instead convert ① into ②, using a type-logical transformation, the details of which are left as an exercise.

#### 4. Existential Quantifiers – Infinitary-Disjunction

In the earlier example,

every man respects every woman

the respective scopes of the two quantifier-phrases is irrelevant to the final computation, since the two resulting formulas are logically equivalent. By contrast, in the following example,

every man respects **some** woman

the scope-ambiguity produces two logically-different readings.

In order to see this, we now offer our new account of ‘some’, which involves positing a second junction –  $\vee$ , (infinitary) **disjunction** – which is parallel to (infinitary) conjunction. First, we propose a new type-forming operator, defined so that

if  $\mathfrak{T}$  is a type, then so is  $\vee \mathfrak{T}$

As with  $\wedge$ , we also add the following expressions to type-theory

$$\vee_{\mathfrak{v}} \{ \varepsilon \mid \Phi \}$$

which we read as:

the disjunction [over  $\mathfrak{v}$ ] of all  $\varepsilon$  such that  $\Phi$

As with  $\wedge$ , if  $\varepsilon$  and  $\Phi$  share exactly one free variable, then  $\mathfrak{v}$  is omitted, and we have (informal) expressions of the form.

$$\vee \{ \varepsilon \mid \Phi \}$$

With this in hand, we interpret ‘every’ as follows.

$$\llbracket \text{some} \rrbracket = \lambda P_0 \vee \{ x \mid Px \}$$

For example:

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket \text{some man} \rrbracket &= \vee \{ x \mid x \text{ is a man} \} \\ &= \text{the disjunction of all men} \\ &\approx \text{man}_1 \text{ or } \text{man}_2 \text{ or } \dots \text{ or } \text{man}_k \end{aligned}$$

where  $\{ \text{man}_1, \dots, \text{man}_k \}$  constitute all the men.

<sup>8</sup> In other words, an NP headed by a relative pronoun, such as ‘who’ and ‘whose mother’.

<sup>9</sup> We now have two items not admitted by  $\wedge$ ; unfortunately, there is no obvious systematic semantic connection between  $\llbracket \text{does not} \rrbracket$  and  $\llbracket \text{who} \rrbracket$ . We need to work on this.

## 1. Examples

1. Jay does not respect some woman

Jay	[+1]	does-not	respect	some	woman	[+2]
J	$\lambda x\{x_1\}$			$\lambda P_0 \vee \{y \mid Py\}$	$\mathbf{W}_0$	
				$\vee \{y \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$		$\lambda x\{x_2\}$
			$\lambda y_2 \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy$		$\vee \{y_2 \mid \mathbf{W}y\}$	
		$\lambda P_1 \lambda x_1 \{\sim Px\}$		$\vee \{ \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y \}$		
J <sub>1</sub>	$\vee \{ \lambda x_1 \sim \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y \}$					
$\vee \{ \sim \mathbf{R}Jy \mid \mathbf{W}y \}$						
$\exists y \{ \mathbf{W}y \ \& \ \sim \mathbf{R}xy \}$						

The computations parallel those for  $\wedge$ . Rather than repeat these rules, we instead offer the following more general version<sup>10</sup>

Junction-Composition ( $\mathcal{K}$ -Com)	
$\alpha$	$\alpha$ is any expression (or null)
$\mathcal{K}_v \{ \beta \mid \Phi \}$	$\mathcal{K}$ admits $\alpha$
$\{ \alpha, \beta \} \vdash \gamma$	a sub-derivation of $\gamma$ from $\{ \alpha, \beta \}$
$\mathcal{K}_v \{ \gamma \mid \Phi \}$	

Here,  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are expressions (even junctions<sup>11</sup>), and  $\mathcal{K}$ <sup>12</sup> is any junction.

Also, note that the last step appeals to the following simplification principle.

$\vee_v \{ \Psi \mid \Phi \} \ / \ \exists v \{ \Phi \ \& \ \Psi \}$	[ $\vee$ -simplification]
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2. every man respects some woman

‘every man’ has wide scope

every man <sub>1</sub>	respects	some woman <sub>2</sub>
	$\lambda y_2 \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy$	$\vee \{ y_2 \mid \mathbf{W}y \}$
$\wedge \{ x_1 \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$	$\vee \{ \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y \}$	
$\wedge \{ \vee \{ \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y \} \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$		
$\forall x \{ \mathbf{M}x \rightarrow \exists y \{ \mathbf{W}y \ \& \ \mathbf{R}xy \} \}$		

‘some woman’ has wide scope

every man <sub>1</sub>	respects	some woman <sub>2</sub>
	$\lambda y_2 \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy$	$\vee \{ y_2 \mid \mathbf{W}y \}$
$\wedge \{ x_1 \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$	$\vee \{ \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y \}$	
$\vee \{ \wedge \{ \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{M}x \} \mid \mathbf{W}y \}$		
$\exists y \{ \mathbf{W}y \ \& \ \forall x \{ \mathbf{M}x \rightarrow \mathbf{R}xy \} \}$		

Note, in particular, that the scope-ambiguity is inherent in the rules of composition,<sup>13</sup> so long as both  $\wedge$  and  $\vee$  admit each other, which we hereby postulate.<sup>14</sup>

<sup>10</sup> This is still not quite the final word on junction-composition.

<sup>11</sup> We accept the ambiguity between the use of ‘junction’ to refer to the operator, and to refer to the result of applying the operator; this is consonant with the same ambiguity in the word ‘conjunction’.

<sup>12</sup> ‘ $\mathcal{K}$ ’ is Cyrillic letter “zhe”, which is a soft ‘J’ (IPA: ?); there is no hard ‘J’ (IPA: ?) sound in Russian.

## 5. ‘No’ [Universal-Negative]

We have redesigned  $\llbracket \text{every} \rrbracket$  and  $\llbracket \text{some} \rrbracket$ . Next on the list is  $\llbracket \text{no} \rrbracket$ , which we formalize as follows, using the Medieval idea that ‘no’ is a combination of *universal* and *negative*.

$$\llbracket \text{no} \rrbracket = \lambda P_0 \wedge \{ \lambda Q \sim Qx \mid Px \}$$

For example,

$$\llbracket \text{no man} \rrbracket = \wedge \{ \lambda Q \sim Qx \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$$

Notice that  $\lambda Q \sim Qx$  corresponds to “not  $x$ ”, so intuitively,  $\llbracket \text{no man} \rrbracket$  corresponds to the following conjunction

not-man<sub>1</sub> and not-man<sub>2</sub> and ... and not-man<sub>k</sub>

where  $\{ \text{man}_1, \dots, \text{man}_k \}$  constitute all the men.

- no man is virtuous

no	man	[+1]	is	virtuous
$\lambda P_0 \wedge \{ \lambda Q \sim Qx \mid Px \}$	$\mathbf{M}_0$		$\lambda P_0 \{ P_1 \}$	$\mathbf{V}_0$
$\wedge \{ \lambda Q \sim Qx \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$		$\lambda x \{ x_1 \}$		
$\wedge \{ \lambda Q_1 \sim Qx \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$			$\mathbf{V}_1$	
$\wedge \{ \sim Vx \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$				
$\forall x \{ \mathbf{M}x \rightarrow \sim Vx \}$ $\sim \exists x \{ \mathbf{M}x \ \& \ Vx \}$				

- no man respects every woman

no	man	[+1]	respects	every	woman	[+2]	
$\lambda P_0 \wedge \{ \lambda Q \sim Qx \mid Px \}$	$\mathbf{M}_0$			$\lambda P_0 \wedge \{ y \mid Py \}$	$\mathbf{W}_0$		
$\wedge \{ \lambda Q \sim Qx \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$		$\lambda x \{ x_1 \}$		$\wedge \{ y \mid \mathbf{W}y \}$		$\lambda x \{ x_2 \}$	
			$\lambda y_2 \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy$	$\wedge \{ y_2 \mid \mathbf{W}y \}$			
			$\wedge \{ \lambda x_1 \mathbf{R}xy \mid \mathbf{W}y \}$				①
$\wedge \{ \lambda Q_1 \sim Qx \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$			$\lambda x_1 \forall y \{ \mathbf{W}y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}xy \}$				②
$\wedge \{ \sim \forall y \{ \mathbf{W}y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}xy \} \mid \mathbf{M}x \}$							
$\forall x \{ \mathbf{M}x \rightarrow \sim \forall y \{ \mathbf{W}y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}xy \} \}$							

In the above derivation, the derivation of ② from ① side-steps the following further restriction on admissibility.

$$(\wedge 3) \quad \wedge \text{ does not admit } \wedge \{ \lambda Q \sim Qx \mid Px \} \text{ (‘no P’).}$$

This restriction theoretically underwrites the intuition that there is no reading of this sentence that accords wide-scope to ‘every woman’.

<sup>13</sup> So, in particular, this ambiguity is neither lexical nor structural, but rather compositional.

<sup>14</sup> Officially, we only have to postulate cases of dis-admission, so this postulate is technically superfluous.