Semantics 1

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QR to PP

(1) No student from a foreign country was admitted.

- inverse linking reading:
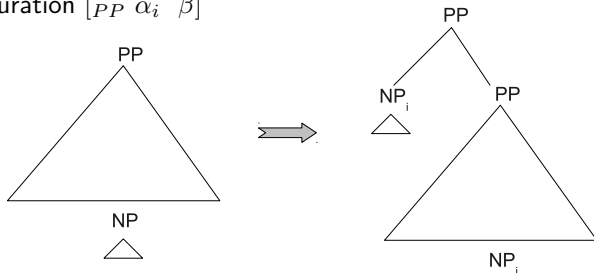 $\lambda s.\exists x(\text{COUNTRY'}(s,x) \wedge \text{FOREIGN'}(s,x) \wedge \neg\exists y(\text{STUDENT'}(s,y) \wedge \text{FROM'}(s,y,x) \wedge \text{ADMITTED'}(s,y)))$

- more plausible reading:
  $\lambda s.\neg\exists y(\text{STUDENT'}(s,y) \wedge \exists x(\text{COUNTRY'}(s,y) \wedge \text{FOREIGN'}(s,y) \wedge \text{FROM'}(s,y,x)) \wedge \text{ADMITTED'}(s,y))$

QR to PP

Quantifier Raising to PP

- transformation rule "Quantifier Raising":
  1. replace the NP-node α of a generalized quantifier by NP_i
  2. replace some PP-node β that dominates α in S-structure by the configuration $[_{PP}\ \alpha_i\ \ \beta]$

Quantifiers

Quantifier Raising

- interpretation of LF
    - If $[_{PP_1} NP_i \quad PP_2]$ is a configuration that results from Quantifier Raising:

$$\|PP_1\| = \lambda P \lambda x \lambda s. P(s, x) \wedge \|NP_i\|(s, \lambda x_i \lambda s.\|PP\|(x, \lambda x \lambda s.\top))$$