

Homework #2: Logical Form and Covert Movement (due on 2/13)

1. Consider the following sentence

(1) I introduced a girl to every boy you did.

There are two possible meaning for the elided VP:

- a. introduce(d) her to. (where *her* is interpreted as a variable bound by the matrix indefinite QP)
- b. introduce a girl to.

There are also two possible scopal relations between the two matrix quantifiers. One might expect to find 4 possible interpretations for the sentence. However, only 2 are attested. Provide precise paraphrases for these two interpretations. Explain what's going on.

2. Consider the following sentence

(2) A guard is standing on top of every church and sitting at the side of every mosque.

This sentence receives a coherent interpretation. (Information conveyed might be that every church and every mosque is well protected.) Provide a precise paraphrase of this interpretation. What kind of LF would you posit? What are possible ramifications for our argument from the CSC in favor of QR?