

ON THE RELATION BETWEEN FREE DESCRIPTION THEORIES AND STANDARD QUANTIFICATION THEORY

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Meyer and Lambert [2] constructed a mapping which takes formulas of free quantification theory into formulas of standard quantification theory and preserves validity. One adds a one-place predicate D to the vocabulary and translates thus:

For atomic P , $\sigma(P) = P$

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma(A \rightarrow B) &= \sigma(A) \rightarrow \sigma(B) \\ \sigma(\neg A) &= \neg \sigma(A) \\ \sigma((x)A) &= (x)[Dx \rightarrow \sigma(A)].\end{aligned}$$

There is also an interesting mapping τ from models of free quantification theory (**FQ**) to models of standard quantification theory (**SQ**). If \mathfrak{M} is a model for **FQ** such that $\mathfrak{M} = \langle D, D^*, R \rangle$, then $\tau(\mathfrak{M}) = \langle D \cup D^*, R, D \rangle$. In other words, the domain of the **SQ** model is the union of the two **FQ** domains, each predicate letter receives the same interpretation as in **FQ** and the predicate letter D is assigned the domain of the **FQ** model. It is easy to show that for any sequence α , α satisfies A in \mathfrak{M} iff α satisfies $\sigma(A)$ in $\tau(\mathfrak{M})$.¹

One can construct a similar pair of mappings for Scott's free description theory [3], which is obtained by adding to free quantification theory the two schema

- I) $(y)[y = \neg xA] \leftrightarrow (x)[x = y \leftrightarrow A]$ where y is not free in A
- II) $\neg(Ey)[y = \neg xA] \rightarrow \neg xA = \neg x(x \neq x)$.

Models of the Scott system are simply models of **FQ** with the further requirement that one specify an element of D^* which is the denotation of all bad descriptions. In order to construct a mapping τ for this system, we

1. Thus the rather lengthy discussion of nominal interpretations in [2] could have been dispensed with since including them gives the same class of valid formulas.