

On the Scope Theories of Indefinites and Intensionality

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A common objection to the scope theories of indefinites and intensionality has been that they in some cases require DPs to move out of islands (e.g., Fodor & Sag 1982). This objection has been defused ingeniously by showing that movement out of islands can be evaded by a combination of (i) movement of a DP to the edge of an island and subsequent movement of the island and of (ii) appropriate type-shifting strategies (Charlow 2019, Demirok 2019, Elliott 2020). In this talk, we will discuss two families of observations that we will argue are puzzling for (at least) the scope theories even on these recent amendments.