

The ambiguity of *tasi* 'again' in Korean: a structural approach

It is known that the adverb *again* has a semantic ambiguity and many researchers have attempted to figure out the cause of this ambiguity. There are two main approaches: Lexical approach and Structural approach. The lexical approach considers this adverb to be polysemic, having both repetitive and restitutive meaning; then a structure is not responsible for this ambiguity at all (Ryu 2018; Lee 2017, 2018; Oh 2015, etc). The sentence in (1) can have both interpretations due to the lexical item *again* not the structural cause.

(1) *John-i tasi ku moon-ul tad-ass-ta.*

John-NOM again the door-ACC close-PST-DEC.

John closed the door again.

- a. (John has performed the action of closing the door at least once before and) again he closed it. (*repetitive reading*)
- b. John has brought it about that the t

