Philosophy 240 Symbolic Logic

# Translation with Identity II

## **I. Some Translations**

- 1. Everything is identical with itself.
- 2. Nothing is distinct from itself.
- 3. Everything is identical with something.
- 4. John loves Mary.
- 5. John only loves Mary.
- 6. Only John loves Mary.
- 7. Everyone loves Mary.
- 8. Everyone except John loves Mary.
- 9. Everyone deems all Beatles' records except Let It Be to be classics.
- 10. Adriana is a bigger mouse than Rene.
- 11. Adriana is the biggest mouse.
- 12. Bill Gates is the geek with the most money.

#### **II. Exactly**

- 1. There are at least two applicants.
- 2. There are at most two applicants.
- 3. There are exactly two applicants.
- 4. There are exactly two chipmunks in the yard.
- 5. Two is the only even prime number.
- 6. There is exactly one even prime number.
- 7. There are exactly three aardvarks on the log.

## **III. Definite Descriptions**

 The king of America is bald. Bk
The king of America is not bald. ~Bk
Devendra Banhart is not bald. ~Bb That's fine; he's hairy.
But we don't want '~Bk' to mean that the king of America is hairy.
Russell's solution:

1 entails three simpler expressions:

- A. There is a king of America.
- B. There is only one king of America.
- C. That thing is bald.

4. The country called a sub-continent is India.

- A. There is a country called a sub-continent.
- B. There is only one such country.
- C. That country is identical with India.

5. The author of Waverly was a genius.

### **IV. More Translations**

1. All prime numbers are odd except the number two.

- 2. There is at least one mouse bigger than Rene.
- 3. There are at least two mice bigger than Rene.
- 4. There are at least three mice bigger than Rene.
- 5. Rene is the smallest mouse.
- 6. Syracuse is the nearest major city.
- 7. There are at least two odd prime numbers.
- 8. At most two persons invented the airplane.
- 9. There is exactly one dollar bill in my wallet. (Dx, Wx)
- 10. There are at least four students in the course. (Sx, Cx)
- 11. There are exactly three applicants.
- 12. The murderer was Colonel Mustard. (m, Mx)