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comprehension. Actual dialogue games have a kind  
of casual connectedness that is not a consequence  
of their formal properties. This is explained in  
terms of a theory of action, which is also seen to  
explain a similar attribute of speech acts.