On the syntax and interpretation of ksana 'again'

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Artemis Alexiadou (Universität Stuttgart) & Elena Anagnostopoulou (University of Crete) In this paper, we discuss the Greek adverb ksana, which corresponds to English again and German wieder. An interesting property of ksana is that, like English re-, it can attach to the verb. We first show that the behavior of non-incorporated ksana supports a structural analysis of repetitive and restitutive readings. We then focus on incorporated ksana which shows the repetitive-restitutive ambiguity but has restitutive readings in a wider range of positions than its unincorporated counterpart. This provides an argument for head movement and a tool for the analysis of auxiliaries in Greek. We further discuss the scope and selection properties of incorporated ksana and we conclude that it is ambiguous between again and re- (contra Williams 2006).