

Identity issues after Flight AF 006

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I will consider three kinds of sentences whose semantics is naturally seen as involving the relation of identity. I will suggest that the relation that they actually invoke is something a little different, but that it is the same relation in all three cases. I will also suggest that there is a natural way of viewing an ambiguity that some of these sentences give rise to. The data will come from the consideration of “fission scenarios” described in Hervé Le Tellier’s recent novel *_L’Anomalie_*. You do not have to read this novel before the talk (I will summarize) but it is fun.