Ling 522
Lexical Semantics

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When: 2-3:15
Forbes, Rm 206

Topics:
Argument structure
Event structure
Lexical decomposition
Boundedness and the count/mass distinction
Scalar structure
Idiomaticity
Linguistic relativism

Requirements:
→ Read everything!
20%: A presentation of an article in class
30%: A package of 3 abstracts, one in NELS format, the others in LSA format
   i) the article you presented: NELS format
   ii) an article that cites and discusses the article you presented: LSA format
   iii) a third article that cites and discusses both of the first two articles
Abstract packages are due on April 12
10%: A topic statement for your paper, due March 29
40%: A paper on the topic of your choice, due on May 1

Dates, papers
Jan 12 today, syllabus
   Also: Lexical? Semantics? Grammatical architectures?

Section 1: Argument Structure
Jan 17

Jan 19

Jan 24 Presenter 1: Catherine

Jan 26
Jan 31  Presenter 2: Heidi

Feb 2  Rosen con't

Feb 7: Ramchand on argument structure: First Phase Syntax

Feb 9: Chomsky! *Remarks on nominalization*

Feb 14  Presenter 3: Emma
Fodor, J. 1970. Three reasons for not analyzing 'kill' as 'cause to die'
also Harley response to that

Feb 16  Marantz 1997: "Don't try morphological analysis in the privacy of your own lexicon." Also Kratzer.

Feb 21  Lin, Jimmy. 2004. Fine-grained lexical semantic representations and compositionally derived events in Mandarin Chinese:


Mar 6      Presenter 6:  Mike Hale and Keyser 1993: “On argument structure and the lexical expression of grammatical relations”

Mar 8      Kiparsky on denominal verbs & the Canonical Use Constraint (up), and my reply (not up). 😊

Mar 20     Presenter 7:  Zach

Mar 22     Talmy 1985, 2002: Lexicalization patterns


Mar 29     Folli, Harley and Karimi on Persian complex predicates

*Topic statement due*

Apr 3      Presenter 9:  ________________

Apr 5      Telicity and Durativity: A Study of Aspect in Dëne Sułíné (Chipewyan) and German. By Andrea Wilhelm (some chapter(s) to be determined)


Apr 12     Kennedy's latest

*Abstract Packages Due*


Apr 19     Punske on Wechsler.

Apr 24     Presenter 12:  Darin
Fodor from *Concepts: Where Cognitive Science Went Wrong* ‘The demise of definitions: The linguist’s tale’

Apr 26    Class cancelled

May 1    *Final papers due*