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Minimal Interfaces and Cross-modular Notation: How do different Grammars and different modules achieve compatibility

Presented by Dr. Tom Roeper

Abstract: We propose an interface principle of Minimal Modular Contact that constrains interface relations, building on the Syntax-Semantics Identity Hypothesis (Kennedy (2008)). We explore the question: can formal identity extend to pragmatics? Specific domains include: quantification and spreading, exhaustivity and topicalization, Default transitivity, and the connection between recursion and math. Interface simplicity has implications for bilingualism and multiple grammars.

About the speaker

Dr. Tom Roeper is a professor at the University of Massachusetts Amherst where he works primarily in theoretical approaches to language acquisition and morphology. His current work is the acquisition of wh-movement with Jill de Villiers of Smith College. In morphology he has focused on implicit arguments, productive morphology, and lexical rules.

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