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Compositional Semantics
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Syllabus

DATE	HW	TOPIC	READING
Oct 12	PS1	logic, compositionality	Kearns (2000): 25–35, Heim and Kratzer (1998) ch. 1
Oct 19	PS2	models, interpretation	Dowty et al. (1981): 15–35, 44–47
Oct 26	PS3	function application, λ -abstraction	Heim and Kratzer (1998) ch. 2
Nov 2	PS4	predicate modification	H&K ch. 4
Nov 9	PS5	type shifting	Partee (1986)
Nov 16	PS6	first-order logic	Dowty et al. (1981), ch. 3
Nov 23	PS7	variables	H&K ch. 5
Nov 30	PS8	quantifiers	H&K ch. 6
Dec 7	PS9	QR	H&K ch. 7
Dec 14	PS10	constraints on QR	H&K ch. 8
Dec 21		[no class] (?)	
Dec 28		[no class]	
Jan 4		[no class]	
Jan 11	PS11	pronouns	H&K ch. 9
Jan 18	PS12	binding	H&K ch. 10
Jan 25	PS13	E-type anaphora	H&K ch. 11
Feb 1		review	

Problem sets are due at the class meeting after they are assigned. For example, PS1 is due on October 19th.

References

- Dowty, D., Wall, R. E., and Peters, S. (1981). *Introduction to Montague Semantics*. Kluwer, Dordrecht.
- Heim, I. and Kratzer, A. (1998). *Semantics in Generative Grammar*. Blackwell, Oxford.
- Kearns, K. (2000). *Semantics*. Modern Linguistics. Macmillan.
- Partee, B. H. (1986). Noun phrase interpretation and type-shifting principles. In Groenendijk, J., de Jongh, D., and Stokhof, M., editors, *Studies in Discourse Representation Theory and the Theory of Generalized Quantifiers*, pages 115–143. Foris, Dordrecht.