Bibliographic exercise directions

for Ling 200A term paper due Oct. 30

- 1. Pick a phenomenon type that is suitable for the term paper: opacity, iterativity, multiple rule application, local optionality, directionality, rule-ordering paradox, constraint-ranking paradox, constraint-specific repairs... If possible, pick the one that you think you might really want to do your term paper on!
- 2. If you are not at a UCLA computer, turn on the BOL proxy server (see http://www.bol.ucla.edu/services/proxy/ for directions). Some strange networks do not let you do this; in that case just do this on campus. You will know that all is well if you can access www.oed.com, search for a word, and then see "Subscriber: UC Los Angeles" in pale print at the bottom of the resulting screen.
- 3. Search Google Scholar (scholar.google.com) for a suitable phrase. You may need to try a few before you find something that works. Ideally, you will find a good-sounding paper/chapter/book/dissertation whose full text you can access online. The paper should discuss a specific example of the phenomenon, though the paper can have other things in it too.
- 4. Now try it old-school: go to www.library.ucla.edu, click 'search and find', choose 'article databases', and click any of the choices. You'll then see a 'Search for database titles' box on the left. Enter *LLBA*. Click on any of the access links that appear below the LLBA listing. Enter your search term(s) in the resulting screen. **Beware**: 'keywords' is a specific field that doesn't contain, e.g., the title; you probably want to search 'anywhere' instead of 'keywords'. Again, you may need/want to try various search terms. The nice thing about LLBA is that when you click on an item you can see its abstract. Find an item that sounds promising. If it is a recent journal article, try using the UCLA catalog to access it online (ask library staff for help if it is not obvious how to do this). Or try finding it on the author's web page.
- 5. Repeat #4, this time with *MLA* instead of *LLBA*. (Choose "MLA international bibliography" from the results, not the German thing.) The search interface will be exactly the same, but you will get different (probably fewer) results.
- 6. Turn in the following information, for **each** of #3, #4, and #5 above:
 - full bibliographic information for the promising item that you found (author, date, title, journal or book title, etc.)
 - the search term you used to find that item (e.g. *directional** *AND phonology* for LLBA)
 - What is the phenomenon discussed, and what's the language (e.g. *counterbleeding of vowel raising by final devoicing in Polish*)
 - If you were able to access the full text, what is the source cited for the data (give full bibliographic data)?