

LINGUISTICS 218: MATH LING II
Montague Grammar and Dynamic Semantics

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course description:

We review several related logical systems: Montague Grammar and Intensional Semantics; Heim's (1982) File-Change Semantics; Kamp's Discourse Representation Theory (DRT); Musken's Compositional Discourse Representation Theory (CDRT); Groenendijk & Stokhof's Dynamic Predicate Logic (DPL); and van den Berg's Dynamic Predicate Logic for Plurals (DPLP).

prerequisites: Semantics 1 (200C) and Math Ling 1 (208)

grading structure:

- in-class presentation (10% of your grade);
- homework (40% of your grade);
- a final paper (10 pages or so; 50% of your grade)

schedule:

week	date	topic	readings	due
1	Jan. 5 Jan. 7	introduction Montague Grammar 1	Montague (1973) Gamut (1991) §6.1–6.3.5	
2	Jan. 12 Jan. 14	Montague Grammar 2 Montague Grammar 3	Gamut (1991) §6.3.6–6.3.9 Gamut (1991) §6.3.10–6.4.4	HW 1
3	Jan. 19 Jan. 21	<i>class canceled</i> file change semantics: indefinites	MLK JR. DAY Karttunen (1971), Heim (1982) Chapter 1	HW 2
4	Jan. 26 Jan. 28	file change semantics: definites foundations of DRT	Heim (1982) Chapter 3 Kamp and Reyle (1993) §1–1.3, 1.5	
5	Feb. 2 Feb. 4	quantifiers in DRT connectives in DRT	Kamp and Reyle (1993) §2.1–2.2 Kamp and Reyle (1993) §2.3–2.4	
6	Feb. 9 Feb. 11	DRT & Montague Grammar 1 DRT & Montague Grammar 2	Muskens (1996) §I–III.2 Muskens (1996) §III.2–V	HW 3
7	Feb. 16 Feb. 18	<i>class canceled</i> foundations of DPL 1	PRESIDENT'S DAY Groenendijk and Stokhof (1991) §1–2	HW 4
8	Feb. 23 Feb. 25	foundations of DPL 2 <i>class canceled</i>	Groenendijk and Stokhof (1991) §3 NATIONAL ADJUNCT WALKOUT DAY	
9	Mar. 2 Mar. 4	foundations of DPL 3 quantifiers in DPL 1	Groenendijk and Stokhof (1991) §4-5 van den Berg (1996) §1–3	HW 5
10	Mar. 9 Mar. 11	quantifiers in DPL 2 student presentations	van den Berg (1996) §4–6	HW 6

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