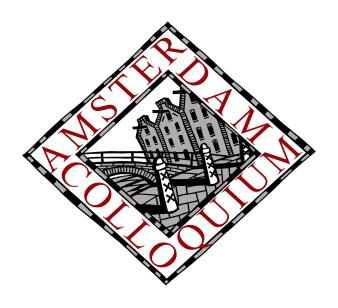# 20th Amsterdam Colloquium
16 – 18 December 2015

Programme

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8.30 – 9.20	Registration & coffee (room S.01)

9.20 – 9.30	Opening (room 1.03)

9.30 – 10.30	*Chair: Henriette de Swart (room 1.03)* *Maribel Romero* The conservativity of 'many'

break

	Chair: Daniel Altshuler (room 1.03)	*Chair: Frank Veltman (room 1.02)*
10.45 – 11.15	*Keren Khrizman, Fred Landman, Suzi Lima,* *Susan Rothstein and Brigitta R. Schvarcz* Portion readings are count readings, not measure readings	*Timothy Grinsell* An argument for vagueness with holes
11.15 – 11.45	*Aaron Hirsch and Michael Wagner* Right node raising, scope, and plurality	*Tillmann Pross* On reporting attitudes: an analysis of desire reports and their reading-establishing scenarios
11.45 – 12.15	*Lucas Champollion* Linking the collective-distributive opposition and the telic-atelic opposition	*Fabrizio Cariani and Paolo Santorio* Selection function semantics for *will*

12.30 – 14.00	Lunch

14.00 – 15.00	*Chair: Jelle Zuidema (room 1.03)* *Mirella Lapata* Large-scale Semantic Parsing as Graph Matching

break

Workshop: **Reasoning in natural language:**
symbolic and sub-symbolic approaches

	Chair: Jelle Zuidema (room 1.03)	*Chair: Thomas Brochhagen (room 1.02)*
15.15– 15.45	*Till Poppels and Roger Levy* Resolving quantity and informativeness implicature in indefinite reference	*Andrea Beltrama* Totally tall sounds totally younger. From meaning composition to social perception
15.45 – 16.15	*Lasha Abzianidze* A pure logic-based approach to natural reasoning	*Yvonne Viesel* Discourse structure and syntactic embedding: The German discourse particle *ja*
16.15 – 16.45	*Fangzhou Zhai, Jakub Szymanik and Ivan* *Titov* Toward a probabilistic mental logic for the syllogistic fragment of natural language	*Yael Greenberg* *Even*, comparative likelihood and gradability

break

17.00 – 18.00	*Chair: Jakub Szymanik (room 1.03)* *Christopher Potts* Learning in the Rational Speech Acts Model

20.15 – 21.15	*Beth Lecture (Doelenzaal, University Library)* *Timothy Williamson* Counterpossibles

	Chair: Tamara Dobler (room 1.02)	*Chair: Nadine Theiler (room 1.03)*
9.00 – 9.30	*Chung-chieh Shan* Splitting hairs	*Agata Renans* Three types of indefinites: evidence from *Ga* (*Kwa*)
9.30 – 10.00	*Rohan French* Prover-skeptic games and logical pluralism	*David Beaver and Elizabeth Coppock* Novelty and familiarity for free
10.00 – 10.30	*Suki Finn* Quantification and existence in natural and formal languages	*Bert Le Bruyn and Xiaoli Dong* The semantics of definiteness
break		

	Chair: Katrin Schulz (room 1.02)	*Chair: Jeroen Groenendijk (room 1.03)*
10.45 – 11.15	*Malte Willer* Simplifying counterfactuals	*Yimei Xiang* Mention-some readings of questions: Complexities from number marking
11.15 – 11.45	*Fabienne Martin* The imperfective in subjunctive conditionals: fake or real aspect?	*Yurie Hara* Alternatives in Cantonese: Disjunctions, questions and (un)conditionals
11.45 – 12.15	*Jos Tellings* On the focus-sensitivity of counterfactuality	*Shih-Yueh Lin* An inquisitive semantics analysis for Chinese polar question particle

12.30 – 14.00	Lunch

	Chair: Luca Incurvati (room 1.02)
14.00 – 15.00	*Laurence R. Horn* (Neo-)Classical Neg-Raising and Strict Licensing: What's at issue
break	

Workshop: **Negation: logical, linguistic
and philosophical perspectives**

	Chair: Julian Schlöder (room 1.02)	*Chair: Martin Stokhof (room 1.03)*
15.15 – 15.45	*Hedde Zeijlstra* NEG-raising does not involve syntactic reconstruction	*Daniel Tiskin* Locating hidden quantifiers in de re reports
15.45 – 16.15	*Tim Fernando* Negation and events as truthmakers	*Shane Steinert-Threlkeld, Gert-Jan Munneke and Jakub Szymanik* Alternative representations in formal semantics: A case study of quantifiers
16.15 – 16.45	*Emar Maier and Corien Bary* Three puzzles about negation in non-canonical speech reports	*Linmin Zhang and Jia Ling* Comparatives revisited: Downward-entailing differentials do not threaten encapsulation theories
break		

	Chair: Robert van Rooij (room 1.02)
17.00 – 18.00	*David Ripley* Dialetheism is an empirical hypothesis

20.00–23.00	*Reception (Kapitein Zeppos)*

	Chair: Paul Dekker (room 1.01)	*Chair: Raquel Fernández (room 1.02)*
9.00 – 9.30	*Pablo Cobreros* Divine foreknowledge, time and tense	*James Trafford* An interactive approach to proof-theoretic semantics
9.30 – 10.00	*Paul Egre, Paul Marty and Bryan Renne* Knowledge, Justification and Reason-Based Belief	*Jonathan Ginzburg, Ellen Breitholtz, Robin Cooper, Julian Hough and Ye Tian* Understanding laughter
10.00 – 10.30	*Matthew Mandelkern, Ginger Schultheis and David Boylan* I believe I can phi	*Zsofia Gyarmathy* Culminations and presuppositions
break		
10.45 – 11.45	*Chair: Franz Berto (room 1.01)* *Graham Priest* Some New Thoughts on Conditionals	
12.00 – 13.15	Lunch	
13.15 – 13.45	*Lucas Champollion* Demo Lambda Calculator (room 1.01)	
break		
	Chair: Thomas Brochhagen (room 1.01)	*Chair: Matthijs Westera (room 1.02)*
14.00 – 14.30	*Jérémy Zehr, Cory Bill, Lyn Tieu, Jacopo Romoli and Florian Schwarz* Experimental evidence for existential presupposition projection from none	*Manuel Križ* Homogeneity, trivalence, and embedded questions
14.30 – 15.00	*Philippe Schlenker, Emmanuel Chemla, Cristiane Cäsar, Robin Ryder and Klaus Zuberbühler* Titi semantics: Context and meaning in Titi monkey call sequences	*Anna Marlijn Meijer, Berry Claus, Sophie Repp and Manfred Krifka* Particle responses to negated assertions: Preference patterns for German *ja* and *nein*
break		
	Chair: Ivano Ciardelli (room 1.01)	*Chair: Tamara Dobler (room 1.02)*
15.15 – 15.45	*Jon Stevens* The role of preferred outcomes in determining implicit questioning strategies	*Craige Roberts* Conditional plans and imperatives: A semantics and pragmatics for imperative mood
15.45 – 16.15	*Sven Lauer* Performative uses and the temporal interpretation of modals	*Clemens Mayr and Uli Sauerland* Accommodation and the Strongest Meaning Hypothesis
16.15 – 16.45	*Dominique Blok* Scope interactions between modals and *at most*	*Patrick Munoz* His name is 'Socrates' because that's what he's called: a model-theoretic account of name-bearing
break		
17.00 – 18.00	*Chair: Maria Aloni (room 1.01)* *Rick Nouwen* Quantifiers in comparatives: new solutions, new puzzles	