

SOCIETY FOR PHILOSOPHY AND PSYCHOLOGY
1991 MEETING

SAN FRANCISCO STATE UNIVERSITY
JUNE 9-12, 1991

MEETING SITE: Seven Hills Conference Center (west side of the San Francisco State University campus, off Lake Merced Blvd.)

PROGRAM

N = Nobhill Room
P = Presidio Room

SUNDAY, JUNE 9

- 9:00-11:00 Symposium I: Meaning Holism and Conceptual Role
Semantics (N)
Chair: Janet Levin (Philosophy, USC)
Speakers:
1. Ernie Lepore and Jerry Fodor (Philosophy,
Rutgers University)
2. Ned Block (Linguistics and Philosophy, MIT)
3. Michael Devitt (Philosophy, U Md/College Park)
- 11:00-11:15 break
- 11:15-12:15 Contributed paper 1 (N)
Chair:
Speaker: Christopher Gauker (Philosophy,
University of Cincinnati) "Similarity judgments"
Commentator: Robert MacCauley (Philosophy, Emory
University)
- 11:15-12:15 Contributed paper 2 (P)
Chair: Jane Duran (Philosophy, UC/Santa Barbara)
Speaker: Dan Riesberg (Psychology, Reed College)
and Deborah Chambers (Psychology, North Dakota
State U.)
"Images depict; images describe"
Commentator: Kyle Cave (Psychology, Vanderbilt)
- 12:15-1:15 LUNCH
- 1:15-2:15 Contributed paper 3
Chair: Larry Birnbaum (Institute for the Learning
Sciences, Northwestern University)

Speaker: David Kirsh (Cognitive Science, UC/San Diego) "Some problems with the logicist view of artificial intelligence"
Commentator: Pat Hayes (MCC)

1:15-2:15

Contributed paper 4

Chair: Irving Krakow (Philosophy, Camden County College)

Speaker: Carol Slater (Psychology, Alma College)
"Explaining behavior: why we can't lean on learning"

Commentator: Joe Levine (Philosophy, NC State/Raleigh)

2:15-2:30

break

2:30-4:30

Symposium II: Is mathematics innate? (N)

Chair:

Speakers:

1. Karen Wynn (Psychology, U Arizona/Tucson)

"Psychological evidence against empiricist theories of mathematical knowledge"

2. Robert Schwartz (Philosophy, U

Wisconsin/Milwaukee) "Is mathematics innate?"

3. Philip Kitcher (Philosophy, UCSD)

4:30-4:45

break

4:45-6:00

Keynote address (N)

Chair: Jerry Fodor (Philosophy, Rutgers University)

Speaker: Steve Pinker (Brain and Cognitive Science, MIT)

Title: "Rules and associations in human language"

MONDAY, JUNE 10

9:00-11:00
(N)

Symposium III: The Roots of Social Cognition

Chair:

Speakers:

1. Leda Cosmides (Psychology, UC/Santa Barbara)

"The logic of social exchange versus the logic of logic"

2. Alan Fiske (Psychology, U Penn) "Innate hypotheses and cultural parameters for social relations"

3. Donald Symons (Anthropology, UC/Santa Barbara)

11:00–11:15 break

11:15–12:15 Contributed paper 5
Chair: Owen Flanagan (Philosophy, Wellesley College)
Speaker: Janet Andrews (Psychology, Vassar College) "The role of prototypes in understanding category concepts: a critical assessment"
Commentator: Margery Lucas (Psychology, Wellesley College)

11:15–12:15 Contributed paper 6
Chair:
Speaker: Anthony Dardis (Philosophy, University of Georgia/Athens) "Content externalism and causal relevance"
Commentator: Carol Cleland (Philosophy, University of Colorado/Boulder)

12:15–1:15 LUNCH

1:15–2:15 Contributed paper 7
Chair: Paul Pietroski (Philosophy, McGill Univ.)
Speaker: Alvin Goldman (Philosophy, University of Arizona/Tucson) "Mental concepts, self-ascription, and consciousness"
Commentator: Paul Boghossian (Philosophy, University of Michigan)

1:15–2:15 Contributed paper 8
Chair:
Speaker: Naomi Goldblum (Psychology, Hebrew University) "The distinctiveness of metaphor: a psycholinguistic study"
Commentator: Eva Kittay (Philosophy (SUNY/Stony Brook)

2:15–2:30 break

2:30–4:30 Symposium IV: Are Humans Rational? (N)
Chair: ??
Speakers
1. Stuart Silvers (Philosophy, Clemson University)
"Cognitive performance and assessment, epistemological norms, and the relativity of reason"
2. John Tooby (Psychology, UC/Santa Barbara)
"Ecological rationality"

3. Edward Stein (Philosophy, Williams College & MIT)

7:00-8:30 Banquet (N)

8:30-10:00 Presidential Address (N)
Chair: Patricia Kitcher (Philosophy, UCSD)
Speaker: Ray Jackendoff (Program in Linguistics and Cognitive Science, Brandeis)
Title: "Is there a faculty of social cognition?"

TUESDAY, JUNE 11

9:00-10:00 Invited talk (N)
Chair: Kent Bach (Philosophy, San Francisco State)
Speaker: Michael Scriven (Pacific Graduate School of Psychology, Palo Alto, CA)
Title: "Implicit rules in logic"

10:00-10:15 break

10:15-12:15 Symposium V: Prototype Theory and Concept Stability
Chair: Ken Livingston (Psychology, Vassar College)
Speakers
1. Georges Rey (Philosophy, U Md/College Park)
"Concepts and reference fixers"
2. Alison Gopnik (Psychology, UC/Berkeley)
"Concepts as theories: who's afraid of semantic holism"
3. George Bealer (Philosophy, UColorado/Boulder)
"Philosophical constraints on a theory of concepts"

12:15-1:15 LUNCH

1:15-2:15 Contributed papers 9 (N)+(P)
Chair: A.A. Howsepian (Philosophy, Notre Dame)
Speakers: G. Lynn Stephens & George Graham (Philosophy, Univ of Alabama/Birmingham)
"Introspective identification and disturbances of self consciousness"
Commentator: Jennifer Church (Philosophy, Vassar College)

1:15-2:15 Contributed papers 10 (N)+(P)

Chair: Anti Bax (Clemson University)
Speaker: Kirk Ludwig (Philosophy, University of Florida/Gainesville) "How can reasons be causally relevant to what we do?"
Commentator: Fred Dretske (Philosophy, Stanford University)

2:15-2:30 break

2:30-3:30 Contributed papers 11 (N)+(P)

Chair:
Speaker: Louise Antony (Philosophy, NC State University/Raleigh) "Rabbit pots and supernovas: on the relevance of psychological data to linguistic theory"
Commentator: Scott Soames (Philosophy, Princeton University)

2:30-3:30 Contributed paper 12 (N)+(P)

Chair:
Speaker: Peter Ludlow (Philosophy, SUNY/Stony Brook) "In defense of the dual aspect theory"
Commentator: Barbara Von Eckardt (University of Nebraska/Lincoln)

3:30-3:45 break

3:45-5:45 Contributed papers 13 & 14 (P)

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Chair: Jeffrey Poland (Psychology, U Nebraska/Lincoln)

Speaker: Rob Wilson (Philosophy, Cornell University) "Individualism and causal powers"
Commentator: Terry Horgan (Philosophy, Memphis State University)

Speaker: Joseph Owens (Philosophy, University of Minnesota/Twin Cities) "Psychophysical supervenience and inner access"
Commentator: Piers Rawling (Philosophy, University of Georgia/Athens)

3:45-5:45 Invited lecture (N)

Chair:
Speaker: Randy Gallistel (Psychology, UC/Berkeley)
Title: "Is the associative bond the phlogiston of psychology?"
Discussants:
1. Paul Churchland (Philosophy, UCSD)

2. Ben Williams (Psychology, UCSD)

5:45-6:30

Business meeting (N)

WED JUNE 12

9:00-12:00

Symposium VI: Consciousness

Chair:

Speakers:

1. Dan Dennett (Philosophy, Tufts University)

"Time and the brain: escape from the theater of consciousness"

2. Robert Van Gulick (Philosophy, Syracuse University) "Understanding the phenomenal mind"

3. Benjamin Libet (Physiology, School of Medicine, UC/San Francisco) "The cerebral time-on theory for conscious and unconscious mental function"

4. David Rosenthal (Philosophy, Graduate Center/CUNY)