

The semantics of conditionals

Short abstract:

"In this we discuss the so called Lewis-Kratzer theory of conditionals, according to which if-clauses do not express conditionality on their own. They rather figure as restrictors of modal quantification. Finally, we discuss two new developments in the theory of conditionality concerning English and German conditional clauses.

Requirements: Participants are expected to have a basic knowledge in compositional semantics, and the lambda-calculus. Particularly well suited for preparation: Heim and Kratzer (1998)."