

Formal Approaches and Natural Language in Medieval logic

Geneva, 12-16 June 2012

Programme

Tuesday 12 June

10:00-10:15 Alain de Libera (Université de Genève – EPHE, Paris):
Opening of the symposium

I. Formal Semantics

I.1. Semantic issues and formal strategies

10:15-11:00 Terence Parsons (University of California, Los Angeles):
“There is no fundamental difference between medieval logic and contemporary (philosophical) logic”

Café

11:30-12:15 Leone Gazziero (Université de Genève):
“*Utrum figura dictionis sit fallacia in dictione. Et quod non videtur.* How Medieval Logicians Came to Account for an Odd Question by an Impossible Answer”

Lunch

13:45-14:30 Ana Maria Morá-Marquez (Københavns Universitet):
“13th Century Masters of Arts on Equivocation”

14:30-15:15 Harald Berger (Universität Graz):
“*Sortes differt ab omni homine:* A Tension in Albert of Saxony’s Concept of Merely Confused Supposition”

Café

15:45-16:30 Luca Sbordone (Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa):
“Semantics and Pragmatics of Reference. Elements of a contemporary theory of supposition”

Dinner

Wednesday 13 June

1.2. Semantics of Natural or Ideal Language?

09:00-09:45 Allan Bäck (Kutztown University):
“Aristotelian Protocol Languages”

09:45-10:30 Raina Kirchhoff (Universität Düsseldorf) / Christoph Kann
(Universität Düsseldorf):
“Formal elements in natural language – Sherwood's Syncategoremata”

Café

11:00-11:45 Claude Panaccio (Université du Québec à Montréal):
“Ockham on Synonymy and Mental Language”

11:45-12:30 Ernesto Perini Santos (Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais):
“The underdetermination of the structure of mental language in Ockham and Buridan”

Lunch

14:00-14:45 Joël Biard (Université de Tours):
“Le langage ordinaire de Jean Buridan”

14:45-15:30 Stephen Read (University of St Andrews):
“Non-Normal Propositions in Buridan’s Logic”

Café

- 16:00-16:45 Jennifer Ashworth (University of Waterloo):
“How Natural is Natural Language? Some Post-medieval Discussions”
- 16:45-17:30 Irène Rosier-Catach (CNRS-EPHE, Paris)
“*Logique et théologie à Port Royal: le sens ‘ordinaire’ et ‘catholique’ de ‘hoc est corpus meum’*”

Thursday 14th June

Free morning, walk on the Salève for those interested

II. Formal Logic – Hylomorphism and Formal Validity

- 14:00-14:45 Yukio Iwakuma (Fukui Prefectural University):
“On *Medium*, a type of argumentation in the early 12th century”
- 14:45-15:00 John MacFarlane (University of Berkeley):
“The Origins of Logical Hylomorphism”

Café

- 15:30-16:15 Christopher Martin (University of Auckland):
“Abelard’s Notion of Formality”
- 16:15-17:00 Julie Brumberg-Chaumont (CNRS, Paris):
“Forme et matière dans l’analyse des raisonnements sophistiques”

Friday 15 June

- 09:00-09:45 Catarina Dutilh Novaes (Rijksuniversiteit Groningen):
“The Form of a Syllogism – Figure or Mood?”
- 09:45-10:30 Paul Thom (University of Sydney):

“Reduction to syllogistic form”

Café

11:00-11:45 Sara Uckelman (Tilburg University):
“More than formality: The role of dialectical contexts in medieval logic”

11:45-12:30 Joke Spruyt (Maastricht University):
“John Wyclif on the Formal Nature of Inference”

Lunch

14:00-14:45 Riccardo Strobino (Ruhr-Universität Bochum):
“*Formaliter sequi*. A discussion of logical consequence in the late XIVth century”

14:45-15:30 Mikko Yrjönsuuri (Jyväskylän Yliopisto):
“*Consequentia formaliter formalis* in Paul of Venice and other kinds of formal validity”

Café

16:00-16:45 Paloma Perez-Ilzarbe (Universidad de Navarra):
“Aristotelian syllogistic meets terminist logic: on the formality of the expository syllogism”

Aperopause

17:15-18:45 **Round Table: How Formal is Medieval Logic?**

With the participation of: Jennifer Ashworth, Allan Bäck, Harald Berger, Joël Biard, Julie Brumberg-Chaumont, Fabrice Correia, Paolo Crivelli, Catarina Dutilh Novaes, Sten Ebbesen, Leone Gazziero, Yukio Iwakuma, Christoph Kann, Raina Kirchhoff, Simo Knuuttila, Alain de Libera, John MacFarlane, Costantino Marmo, Ana Maria Morá-Marquez, Kevin Mulligan, Christopher Martin, Terence Parsons, Paloma Perez-Ilzarbe, Ernesto Perini Santos, Shahid Rahman, Stephen Read, Irène Rosier-Catach, Luca Sbordone, Joke Spruyt, Riccardo Strobino, Paul Thom, Sara Uckelman, Mikko Yrjönsuuri.

Dinner

Saturday 16 June

III. Medieval and Contemporary Conceptions of Formal Approaches

10:15-11:00 Sten Ebbesen (Københavns Universitet):
“Habitudines locales and Logic as a Formal Discipline”

Café

11:30-12:15 Simo Knuuttila (Helsingin Yliopisto):
“Duns Scotus on the Propositionality of Infinite Knowledge”

12:00 Alain de Libera (Université de Genève – EPHE, Paris)
Conclusion of the Symposium and *futura contingentia*