Cambridge Site Update

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Ann Copestake

 "Ideal Words: A Vector-Based Formalisation of Semantic Competence" (Herbelot and Copestake, 2021)

https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s13218-021-00719-5

 Discussion (Tuesday): Linking plural features to semantic plurality

Weiwei Sun

- Senior Lecturer (≈ Associate Professor)
- "Comparing Knowledge-Intensive and Data-Intensive Models for English Resource Semantic Parsing" (Cao et al., 2021) https://doi.org/10.1162/coli_a_00395
- "Negation Scope Resolution for Chinese as a Second Language" (Zhang et al., 2021) https://aclanthology.org/2021.bea-1.1/
- "Universal Semantic Tagging for English and Mandarin Chinese" (Li et al., 2021) https://aclanthology.org/2021.naacl-main.440/

Guy Emerson

- New postdoc position (70% research, 30% Cambridge Language Sciences)
- Long presentation (Tuesday): Turing completeness of unification
- Tutorial (Thursday): Functional Distributional Semantics
- Discussion (Friday): Defeasible identity constraints

Alexander Kuhnle

Thesis: "Evaluating visually grounded language capabilities using microworlds" https://www.repository.cam.ac.uk/handle/1810/302101

- Highly Commended (top 3) for CPHC/BCS Distinguished Dissertation Award
 - Two years in a row for Ann's students
- Now at Blue Prism

Ewa Muszyńska

- Thesis: "Semantic chunking" https://www.repository.cam.ac.uk/handle/1810/312207
- Now at Amazon

Paula Czarnowska

 "Morphologically Aware Word-Level Translation" (Czarnowska et al., 2020)

https://aclanthology.org/2020.coling-main.256/

 Short presentation (today): Using synthetic Polish grammar variants to evaluate biases in neural dependency parsing models