The colloquium will be held on Thursday, 2 June 2016, at 16:15, Room 103, Webb Building, Tel-Aviv University, Ramat-Aviv.

Subsequent to the macro-parametric approach to language variation in Chomsky’s (1981) Government and Binding theory, an influential conjecture concerning parameters is that they can possibly be “restricted to formal features of the lexicon”. [The “Borer-Chomsky conjecture”]. In the talk I will discuss two pervasive sources of variation among languages, lexical underspecification and lexical idiosyncrasies in the derivation of canonical word orders, and consider how they bear on the micro/macro-parametric issue.

Light refreshments will be served before the lecture in front of room 401.

The lectures will be held from 12:00 to 14:00 at Tel Aviv University, Ramat Aviv on the following dates and locations:

- Wednesday 25.5 Gilman 497
- Sunday 29.5 Webb 501
- Monday 30.5 Dan David 102
- Tuesday 31.5 Webb 401
- Wednesday 1.6 Gilman 497
- Thursday 2.6 Rosenberg 102

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