

Homework 5

Due on 2 November 2012

Propose Your Final Project

Your assignment this week is to propose your final project to us. Write a one to two page abstract proposing your final project. Make sure your abstract addresses the following questions:

- (1) What language are you working on? If the language has many major dialects, which dialect will you be working on?
- (2) What is the morphological problem you wish to investigate?
- (3) What are (at least) two possible ways of analyzing the phenomenon in question?
- (4) What kind of data do you need to decide between the analyses you will consider?
- (5) How do you plan to get the relevant data for your language?
- (6) *(Optional)* What do you think the right answer will be at this stage?

The abstract should also address how you think the problem in your language is important for morphological purposes (*i.e.*, make sure you tell us how you know it's not syntax or phonology only). We will be judging the abstracts on two criteria: (1) clarity of presentation and (2) the abstract's feasibility as a final paper topic. You should include enough data to make sure that we can judge these criteria for your proposal.

Finally, include a selected bibliography with this abstract — it does not have to contain your final list of references, but it should be long enough to prove to us that you've done your homework thinking about your language.