

Lecture 22

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Outline

Conversational Implicatures

- Expectation/Rule
- Violation
- Implication/Hidden meaning—message

Conventional Implicatures

- Words(s) trigger
- Implication/Hidden meaning–message

Expectations

- Conversational Structure
- Using “unloaded” words

Some components of a conversation

- Turn-taking/pausing
- Adjacency pairs
- Routines

Adjacency Pairs

- Question → Answer
- Invitation → Acceptance
- Assessment → Disagreement
- Explanation → Concurrence

Adjacency Pairs

- Request \rightarrow Granting
- Apology \rightarrow Acceptance
- Summons \rightarrow Acknowledgement

Routines

- Parts of the conversation that are relatively predictable due to common convention
 - Opening Sequences
 - Closing Sequences

Hidden Meaning

Meaning coming from what is said
(the words)

- Conventional implicature
- Presuppositional triggers

Hidden Meaning

Meaning coming from what is **not** said (the rules)

- Conversational implicatures
- Violation of expectations