

Preface

The Twelfth West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics was held on April 2nd through 4th, 1993, in Stevenson College at the University of California, Santa Cruz. 35 papers were presented, 3 papers served as alternates. The present volume contains all these with one exception: the paper by Fumiko Kumashiro and David Perlmutter on 'Strict Layering and Degenerate Feet in Prosodic Structure: Japanese Evidence'.

Two features have been added to this volume. The papers are grouped by sub fields into the areas of phonology/morphology, syntax, and semantics, and two indexes, a subject index and a language index, have been added in the hope of increasing the usefulness of the volume.

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