HW 3 – LIN 514

Due 23 March 2017

This HW covers chapters 5 and 6.

1. Take a grammar of a language you don’t know (list the reference or URL) and try to find out something about modals and modality (e.g. does it have modals; does it have other evidence of modality). A paragraph is enough.

2. Please draw a tree for (1), using a tree like (17) in chapter 5.

   (1) She might have been planning the whole thing (COCA – spoken 2011)

3. Then draw a tree for (2) OR (3), using the model of either (25) or (28) of chapter 5. What is the difference between the two approaches?

   (2) He will almost certainly be confirmed. (COCA – spoken 2000)

   (3) there will probably always be leaks (COCA – spoken 2005)

4. Can you think of a sentence with a preposed topic and a wh-word? COCA might be helpful here. Then draw a tree.

As always, let me know if you have questions!