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PREFACE

This volume is a collection of 13 papers on different aspects of Head-Driven Phrase Structure Grammar.

The main body of the volume consists of contributions which stem from the research in the SFB 340 Subproject B8 "Ein HPSG-Syntaxfragment für das Deutsche" (Sprachtheoretische Grundlagen und computerlinguistische Implementierung/Domain Specific Processing of Constraint-Based Grammars). The volume also includes papers inspired by the interaction of the B8 group members with the rest of the HPSG community of Tübingen. This interaction has provided a stimulating research environment, from which all the research on HPSG in Tübingen has benefited greatly.

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