



系所別：英語學系

科 目：語言學概論

7. The opposing semantic feature in the antonym pair *pony-child* is 13. There are three different types of antonyms. The *big-small* antonym pair shows the gradable antonyms; the antonym pair *employer-employee* shows the 14 antonyms; and the antonym pair *present-absent* shows the 15 antonyms.

## II. Essay Questions

- A. What is Grimm's Law in language change? Which scholar found it and what phenomenon is it? Please illustrate when this language change happened and across what languages and then summarize it with generalized rules to brief this change. (10%)

- B. Draw a tree diagram to show the internal structure of the following sentence. You may use either PS rules or X-bar theory. Then, use a couple of constituency tests to prove the structure of the subject is the way as you have proposed. (10%)

*Whether Tom is good at linguistics confuses all of his classmates.*

- III. Explain these four terms and give an English example for each: (a) homonym, (b) synonym, (c) antonym, and (d) polysemy. (20%)

- IV. Each of the following sentences is ambiguous. Please draw tree diagrams to show the distinction of meaning. (20%)

(a) The boy saw the girl in the garden.

(b) Little boys and girls are cute.

- V. Examine the data and answer the questions. (a) Are [l] and [d] phonemic segments or allophones of the same phoneme? (b) What is the distribution of [l] and [d] in this language? (10%)

- a. dumɛla 'greetings'
- b. xobala 'to read'
- c. feedi 'sweeper'
- d. selɛɛ 'axe'

- e. podi 'goat'
- f. dijo 'food'
- g. mosadi 'woman'
- h. molomo 'mouth'