Different Kinds of Specificity Across Languages

This anthology of papers analyzes a range of specificity markers found in natural languages.

Features
- Brings together empirical and theoretical research on specificity
- Presents for the first time an overview over the specificity markers found in natural languages
- Shows that specific indefinites are no homogeneous class, but one that comprises various sub-kinds
- Deepens our understanding of specificity by concentrating on the similarities and differences among specificity markers in different languages
- Enhances our understanding of the connection between specificity and topicality

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