Topics in the Morphology of Brazilian Portuguese
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An introduction to fundamental concepts in theoretical morphology, with an emphasis on phenomena from Brazilian Portuguese.

Unit 1: Morphophonology
Topics: Reduplication, Compounding, Diminutive Formation
Readings:
Lee, S.-H. Sobre a formacao de Diminutivo do PB
Lee, S.-H. Sobre os compostos do PB.
Fabb, N. Compounding.
Guimaraes, M. & A. Nevins. Caspastepelopo in Bahian Lingua do P.

Unit 2: Morphology and Lexical Categories
Topics: Theme vowels and category-formation
Readings:
Alcantara, C. As classes formais do Portugues e sua constitucao.
Quicoli, A. Harmony, Lowering, and Nasalization in BP.
Clark, H. & E. Clark. When nouns surface as verbs.

Unit 3: Morphology and the Mental Lexicon
Topics: Decomposition, lexical access, speech errors
Readings:
Correa et. al. On the representation of Portuguese gender-inflected words in the mental lexicon.
Fromkin, V. The non-anomalous nature of anomalous utterances.
Prunet et. al. The mental representation of Semitic words.

Unit 4: Morphosyntax and Phi Features
Topics: Variable agreement, person features, clitics
Readings:
Bonet, E. Feature structure of Romance clitics.
Scherre, M. Major linguistic patterns in noun phrase agreement in BP.
Schutze, C. English expletive constructions are not infected.
D’alessandro, A. Impersonal si constructions: agreement and interpretation.