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- 1 Languages can agree more than ‘‘two and a half times’’ (contra Baker 2008).
- 2 Smbaa has object agreement. (this thesis)
- 3 Object-marked objects in Haya are not necessarily right-dislocated (contra Byarushengo et al. 1976, Tenenbaum 1977).
- 4 PCC effects are not about local agreement (contra Adger and Harbour 2007).
- 5 The weak PCC is a valid cross-linguistic constraint. (this thesis)
- 6 Bantu languages can have two internal arguments.
- 7 Smbaa pre-nominal demonstratives are not definite articles.
- 8 Agree should be defined based on object agreement patterns as much as on subject agreement patterns.
- 9 The Minimalist theory of Agree would have been more minimalist had it been formulated based on Smbaa object marking data.
- 10 Using Kiswahili as the language of instruction in Tanzanian secondary schools and in higher education would improve educational achievements.
- 11 The success of a field research trip is strongly dependent on the quality of the database into which the collected data is to be entered.