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## **Predicative possessives and DP internal floating quantifiers in English**

In this talk I examine a set of hitherto unanalysed data from English possessive constructions. Sentences like (i) are interpreted as meaning that there are two individuals and John is a friend of each one of them.

(i) John is both of our friends

However the construction is not freely available and thus sentences like (ii) are out:

(ii) This is both of our scarf (Green 1972)

These sentences raise a number of questions regarding their syntactic derivation and their compositional semantics. I will propose in this talk an analysis based on Kayne's analysis of relative clauses together with a proposal for DP internal floating quantifiers and an attendant restriction to relational nouns. Some general conclusions and extensions are also discussed.