

Editorial statement

The bulk of Volume 4 of the *Phonology Yearbook* is devoted to the theme of SYNTACTIC CONDITIONS ON PHONOLOGICAL RULES, which has been the responsibility of guest editors Ellen Kaisse and Arnold Zwicky. We think readers will agree that the contributions they have assembled give a comprehensive picture of the state of the art in what has been until recently a rather neglected area, as well as offering a range of proposals which should stimulate further refinement of our understanding of the interaction between syntactic (and semantic) structure and phonology. We are grateful to our guest editors for the inspiration and effort they have committed to this task.

Volume 4 is the last issue in the present format. From Volume 5 *Phonology* will appear twice a year, thus permitting, amongst other things, a shortening of the intervals between submission, evaluation and publication of papers. However, the editors intend to maintain the partially thematic character of the journal, so that each volume will typically have one thematic and one non-thematic issue. Thus the first issue of Volume 5 will be non-thematic, and the second devoted to the theme of UNDER-SPECIFICATION, under the guest editorship of Diana Archangeli. Volume 6 will have a similar structure. Submissions for the first (non-thematic) issue, to appear in April 1989, should be made not later than the beginning of July 1988. The second issue (October 1989) will have as its theme THE ATOMS OF PHONOLOGICAL REPRESENTATION (for further details see the inside back cover of this volume); contributions on this theme should reach the editors not later than the beginning of December 1988.