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Position

- 2014- Postdoctoral Researcher in project “The Strength of Scalar Inference: From Numbers to Strong Disjunction” (PI: PD Uli Sauerland, PhD)
Zentrum für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft (ZAS)
- 2013-2014 College Fellow in Linguistics
Harvard University

Education

- 2013 Ph.D. in Linguistics, Harvard University.
Thesis: “Any Questions?
Polarity as a Window into the Structure of Questions”
Committee: Gennaro Chierchia (chair), Veneeta Dayal, Danny Fox,
Maria Polinsky, Uli Sauerland.
- 2009 European Summer School on Logic, Language and Information (ESLLI);
Bordeaux, France; July 20–31.
- 2008 B.A. in Linguistics and Mathematics, Pomona College.
Linguistics thesis: “*Almost: An Analysis*”
Mathematics thesis: “*The Algebra of Tropical Matrices*”
- 2006 Budapest semester in mathematics; Budapest, Hungary; Fall 2006.

Publications

Peer-reviewed publications

- Under review NPIs in Constituent Questions.
submitted to *Natural Language Semantics*
- To appear The Progression of Gender from Latin to Romanian.
to appear in *Harvard Working Papers in Linguistics* [with Greg Scontras]
- Fricative patterning in aspirating versus true voice languages.
to appear in *Journal of Linguistics* [with Andrew Nevins]
- Saturating Syntax: Linkers and Modification in Tagalog.
to appear in *Lingua SI: Modification at the Interfaces*. [with Greg Scontras]

- 2012 Negation-resistant polarity items.
In *Empirical Issues in Syntax and Semantics 9*, 225-242.
- 2011 On nested chain decompositions of normalized matching posets of rank 3.
In *Order 28*, 357–373. [with Elinor Escamilla, Paul Salerno, Shahriar Shahriari, and Jordan Tirrell]

Conference proceedings

- To appear VP ellipsis without parallel binding: towards a QUD approach.
In *Proceedings of SALT 24*. [with P. Elliott and Y. Sudo]
Alternative questions as strongly exhaustive *wh*-questions.
In *Proceedings of NELS 44*.
- 2014 Negative polarity items in embedded constituent questions.
In *Proceedings of NELS 43*, Vol 2: 27-40.
The syntax and semantics of genus–species splits in German.
In *Proceedings of CLS 46*. [with Dennis Ott]
- 2012 How does *who* compose?
In *Proceedings of AFLA 18*, 125-139. [with Greg Scontras]
Positive Polarity Items: an alternative–based account.
In *Proceedings of SuB 16*, Volume 2: 475-488.

Manuscripts

- In progress Revisiting the negative concord problem. [with Anamaria Fălăuș].
Epistemic uncertainty and strength of SIs: a view from PPIs.
- 2012 An account of the co-occurrence of NPIs and PPIs, ms. Harvard University.
Processing evidence for focus movement: a pilot study, ms. Harvard University and MIT. [with Yasutada Sudo]
- 2008 On the source of non-core arguments in Somali, ms. Harvard University.
[with Greg Scontras]

Presentations

Invited talks

- 2014 Exhaustivity and NPI licensing in *wh*-questions.
Questions in Discourse. September 2014, Göttingen University.
- Polarity and exhaustivity in questions.
February 2014, Indiana University.
January 2014, Rutgers University.
- Am I right or wrong? Where do disjunctive questions come from?
January 2014, Rutgers University.
- 2012 An alternative account of the distribution of NPIs in interrogatives.
LFRG. September 2012, MIT.
- 2011 An alternative account of Positive Polarity.
Semantics Group. October 2011, New York University.

Conference presentations

- 2015 How to be or not to be a PPI.
DGfS annual meeting. March 2015, Leipzig University.
- 2014 VP Ellipsis without Parallel Binding: Towards a QUD approach.
SALT 24. June 2014, New York University. [with P. Elliott and Y. Sudo]
- 2013 NPIs in strongly exhaustive and disjunctive questions.
NELS 44. October 2013, University of Connecticut.
- Encoding strength of exhaustivity within the question nucleus.
SuB 18. September 2013, University of the Basque Country.
- 2012 An alternative account of the distribution of NPIs in interrogatives.
NELS 43. October 2012, CUNY Graduate Center.
- Even weak quantifiers can cause intervention.
IATL 28. October 2012, Tel-Aviv University.
- 2011 Saturating Syntax: Linkers and Modification in Tagalog.
MDF2011. Dec 2011, CCHC-CSIC in Madrid. [with Greg Scontras]
- An alternative-based account of Positive Polarity.
SuB 16. September 2011, Utrecht Institute of Linguistics.
- Simplifying semantic composition: Evidence from Tagalog.
AFLA 18. March 2011, Harvard University. [with Greg Scontras]

- 2010 The Syntax and Semantics of Genus–Species Splits in German.
 CGSW 25. June 2010, University of Tromsø. [with Dennis Ott]
- What Austronesian tells us about who.
 AFLA 17. May 2010, Stony Brook University. [with Greg Scontras]
- The Syntax and Semantics of Genus–Species Splits in German.
 CLS 46. April 2010, University of Chicago. [with Dennis Ott]
- 2009 The Ambiguous Almost.
 Console XVIII. Dec 2009, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona.
- The Phonetics & Phonology of Fricative Non–neutralization in Turkish.
 NELS 40. November 2009, MIT. [with Andrew Nevins]
- 2008 *Almost* and the semantics of de–adjectival degree achievement predicates.
 The 6th Annual Harvard Undergraduate Linguistics Colloquium.

Other presentations

- 2014 Epistemic uncertainty and strength of SIs: a view from PPIs.
 Ling Lunch. October 2014, MIT.
- 2011 An alternative–based account of Positive Polarity.
 SNEWS. April 2011, University of Connecticut.
- A constraint on ACD resolution.
 ECO5. April 2011, MIT. [with Greg Scontras and Yasutada Sudo]
- 2010 Genus–Species Splits in German.
 ECO5. March 2010, Harvard University. [with Dennis Ott]
- 2008 Semantic Enrichment as means of disambiguating *Almost VP* constructions.
 The Language and Cognition Seminar. Nov 2008, Harvard University.

Teaching

- 2014 Instructor for *Knowledge of Meaning*
Instructor for *Topics in Polarity and Questions*
- 2013 Instructor for *Semantic Theory I*
- 2012 Teaching assistant for *Knowledge of Meaning*
Teaching assistant for *Senior Thesis tutorial*
- 2011 Instructor for *The Semantics of Questions*
Instructor for *Feature Theory in Phonology*
Teaching assistant for *Prosody and Intonation*
Teaching assistant for *Senior Thesis tutorial*
- 2010 Instructor for *When, Why and How to be silent: Introduction to Ellipsis*
Teaching assistant for *Introduction to Phonology*

Grants and Awards

- 2014 Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, Harvard University
- 2012–2013 Harvard Faculty of Arts and Sciences Dissertation Completion Fellowship,
Harvard University
- 2011 Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, Harvard University
- 2008 Presidential Scholar Fellowship, Harvard University

Service

- 2014 Abstract reviewer for SuB 2014, WCCFL 33, DGfS annual meeting
- 2013 Abstract reviewer for WCCFL 32
- 2011–2012 Assistant Director of Undergraduate Studies in Linguistics
- 2010–2011 President of the Harvard Graduate Students in Linguistics Group
- 2009–2011 Editorial Assistant for *Journal of East Asian Linguistics* (JEAL)
- 2009–2011 Graduate Student Representative to the faculty
- 2010 Organizer of *SNEWS 2010* at Harvard, February 2010
[with Jacopo Romoli, Hazel Pearson and Manizeh Khan]
- 2009 Organizer of *SULA 5* at Harvard and MIT, May 2009
[with Coon, Chierchia, Heim, Nevins, Polinsky, Richards, Thomas]
- 2008–2009 GSC Linguistics Department Representative