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EDUCATION

10/2006 Participated in the short course on Presupposition Accommodation at the Ohio State University

5/2006 Doctoral Candidate (A.B.D.)

06-08 2005 Participated in the LSA Summer Institute at M.I.T. and Harvard

9/2003 - present Ph.D. student in Linguistics at the University of Massachusetts Amherst

7/2003 Magister Artium with excellence (grade: 1.0) in German Linguistics and Philosophy, Humboldt University Berlin
Thesis: Focus Marking in Kikuyu (Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Manfred Krifka)

7/2002 Participated in the First Special Summer Program in Linguistics: Formal and Functional Linguistics. Summerschool of the DGfS and the LSA

6/1997 Abitur (German high school diploma) at the Georg-Büchner-Oberschule (Gymnasium)

PUBLICATIONS

2008 Strengthening 'or': Effects of Focus and Downward Entailing Contexts on Scalar Implicatures. [Florian Schwarz, Charles Clifton, Jr. and Lyn Frazier]
Submitted to *Language and Cognitive Processes*.

2008 On NEEDING propositions and LOOKING FOR properties. *Proceedings of Semantics and Linguistic Theory XVI*, to be published by CLC Publications.

- 2007 Ex-situ focus in Kikuyu. To appear in Aboh, Hartmann, Zimmermann (eds.) *Focus Strategies in African Languages: The Interaction of Focus and Grammar in Niger-Congo and Afro-Asiatic*, Mouton.
- 2007 Processing Presupposed Content. *Journal of Semantics* 24(4): 373-416.
- 2006 Presuppositions in Processing - a case study of German 'auch'. In *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 10*. Christian Ebert and Cornelia Endriss (eds.), 301-315.
- 2004 Linguistic factors, [Manfred Krifka, Silka Martens, and Florian Schwarz] in Rainer Dietrich & Traci Michelle Childress (eds), *Group Interaction in High Risk Environments*, Ashgate Publishing, 75 - 86, 2004.
- 2004 *The Better the Team, the Safer the World. Golden Rules of Group Interaction in High Risk Environments: Evidence based suggestions for improving performance*. J. Bryan Sexton (ed.) Gottlieb Daimler and Karl Benz Foundation Swiss Re Centre for Global Dialogue [Contributing author]
- 2003 Focus Marking in Kikuyu. In *Questions and Focus*. ZAS Papers in Linguistics 30, Regine Eckardt (ed.)
- 2003 Krifka, Manfred, S. Martens, F. Schwarz: Group Interaction in the Cockpit: Some Linguistic Factors. In: *Communication in High Risk Environment*. (Linguistische Berichte: Sonderheft 12), Rainer Dietrich (ed.).

TALKS AND POSTERS

- 2008 Maximize Presupposition and Two Types of Definite Competitors. [Luis Alonso-Ovalle, Paula Menendez-Benito and Florian Schwarz]. Poster to be presented at NELS 39 at Cornell.
- 2008 Expressives in The Wild: Extracting Pragmatic Generalizations from Large Corpora. [Chris Potts and Florian Schwarz] UCSC Alumni Conference, September 12th 2008.
- 2008 Two Types of Bridging with Two Types of Definites.
 - Talk at the University of Pennsylvania, February 14th 2008.
 - Linguistics Colloquium at Stanford University, February 26th 2008.
- 2008 Bridging with Two Types of Definites in German - Relational Anaphora and Situational Uniqueness. Linguistics Colloquium at UC Santa Cruz, January 9th 2008.
- 2008 Two Types of Definites - Bridging, Situational Uniqueness, and Anaphoricity. Talk presented at 2008 LSA meeting in Chicago.
- 10/2006 A morphological distinction between bound and free definites. Poster presented at the OSU workshop on Presupposition Accommodation.

- 6/2006 A proposition for NEED (and a property for LOOK FOR). Talk presented at the Milan Meeting 2006, University of Milan.
- 3/2006 On NEEDING propositions and LOOKING FOR properties. Talk presented at SALT 16, Tokyo University, Tokyo.
- 10/2005 Presuppositions in Processing - a case study of German 'auch'. Talk presented at Sinn und Bedeutung 10, Humboldt University, Berlin.
- 12/2004 Kikuyu Focus Constructions - Syntactic and Semantic Issues. Talk presented at the workshop Topic and Focus: Information Structure and Grammar in African Languages, Dec. 3rd & 4th, University of Amsterdam, and at the Semantics Circle on Dec. 6th at the ZAS Berlin
- 11/2004 Comments on Paul Portner's 'Instructions for Interpretation as Separate Performatives'. [Christopher Potts, Florian Schwarz, and Shigeto Kawahara], Presented at the Workshop on Indexicals, Speech Reports, and Logophors, Harvard University.
- 7/2003 Fokusmarkierung im Kikuyu. Talk presented at the Syntax Circle at the ZAS (Berlin).
- 4/2003 Focus Marking in Kikuyu. Talk presented at the workshop Bantu Grammar: Description and Theory held at SOAS (London).

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 6/2008-5/2009 Research Assistant for Chris Potts' NSF grant *Expressive content and the semantics of contexts*.
- Fall 2007 Research Assistant for Chris Potts' NSF grant *Expressive content and the semantics of contexts*.
- Fall 2006 Research Assistant for Barbara Partee and Vladimir Borshev (NSF-grant). Duties included organizing regular project meetings, presenting ongoing work at these meetings, maintaining the grant website, and research on intensional transitive verbs and definites.
- Summer 2006 Research Assistant in the Language Processing Lab of Charles Clifton and Lyn Frazier. Duties included designing and implementing eye tracking experiments (Eye-link 1000) and self-paced reading experiments (E-Prime), as well as data analysis (EyeTrack, EyeDoctor, SPSS).
- Fall 2005 Research Assistant for Barbara Partee and Vladimir Borshev (NSF-grant). Duties included organizing regular project meetings, presenting ongoing work at these meetings, maintaining the grant website, and research on intensional transitive verbs.
- 7/2004 - 6/2005 Research Assistant in the Language Processing Lab of Charles Clifton and Lyn Frazier.

Duties included designing and implementing eye tracking experiments (Eye-link II, DPI Gen6) and self-paced reading experiments (E-Prime), data analysis (EyeTrack, EyeDoctor, SPSS), and assistance in implementing auditory experiments (using Praat to prepare materials).

- 7/2004 - 5/2007 Personal Research Assistant for Barbara Partee.
- 4/2003 - 7/2003 Student Assistant at the Center for General Linguistics (ZAS). Assistant to Prof. Dr. Manfred Krifka in the project P11 on the syntax and semantics of questions.
- 4/2001 - 3/2003 Student Assistant in the GIHRE project, sponsored by the Gottlieb Daimler- and Karl Benz-Foundation. Assistant in the Linguistic Factors subproject. Principal Investigator: Prof. Dr. Manfred Krifka.

TEACHING

- Spring 2008 Teaching assistant for Angelika Kratzer's Linguistics 510: Introduction to Semantics.
- Fall 2007 Teaching assistant for Chris Potts' Linguistics 390A: Controlling the Discourse.
- Spring 2007 Guest Lecture on intensional transitive verbs in Valentine Hacquard's Linguistics 510: Introduction to Semantics.
- Spring 2007 Teaching Linguistics 201: Introduction to Linguistic Theory.
- Winter 2007 Teaching the continuing education online version of Linguistics 101: People and their Language.
- Spring 2006 Teaching assistant for Prof. John McCarthy's Linguistics 101: People and their Language. Conducted weekly discussion sections.
- Spring 2006 2 guest lectures in Linguistics 620 (taught by Angelika Kratzer) on intensional transitive verbs.
- Spring 2006 Guest lecture in Linguistics 201 (taught by Jan Anderssen) on German sentence structure.
- Spring 2006 Co-organized and taught (with Helen Majewski) a Statistics Primer Session (an introduction to basic concepts of Analyses of Variance) to members of the linguistics department.
- Fall 2005 Substituted 5 classes for Barbara Partee's Linguistics 409: Formal Foundations of Linguistic Theory (Topics covered included set theoretical equalities, relations, functions, properties of relations, and orders)

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- 2007 Nominated for a Junior Fellowship in the Society of Fellows at Harvard University.
- 10/2006 Travel Grant from the Ohio State University Pragmatics Initiative to attend the short course and workshop on Presupposition Accommodation.
- Fall 2005 Graduate school travel grant for attending and presenting at Sinn und Bedeutung 10 in Berlin (\$400).
- 2005 LSA-Fellowship to attend the LSA Summer Institute 2005 at Harvard and MIT.
- 2003-2004 Graduate School Fellowship for Ph.D. studies in Linguistics at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.
- 2003-2004 Kenan Sahin Presidential Fellowship for Ph.D. studies in Linguistics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (declined)
- 2003-2004 IHR Global Fellowship for Ph.D. studies in Linguistics at the University of California at Santa Cruz (declined)
- 2003-2008 Henry M. MacCracken Fellowship for Ph.D. studies in Linguistics at New York University (declined)
- 2003-2005 Graduate School Fellowship for Ph.D. studies in Linguistics at Rutgers University (declined)
- 2003-2008 Scholarship for Ph.D. studies in Linguistics at Stanford University (declined)
- 2002 DGfS-scholarship for housing and tuition for the summerschool First Special Summer Program in Linguistics: Formal and Functional Linguistics at the Heinrich Heine Universität in Düsseldorf.

SERVICE

- 2007- Reviewer for *Natural Language Semantics*, *Sinn und Bedeutung*, *WECOL*
- 2007 UMass Linguistics colloquium organizer
- 2007 Student Member on the semantics search committee
- 10/2005 Co-organizer of NELS 35 (with Jan Anderssen, Shigeto Kawahara, Helen Stickney, and Anne-Michelle Tessier).
- 2005-2006 GLSA conference sales representative
- 2004-2007 Co-organizer of the semantics reading group (with Jan Anderssen).
- 2004 Student Representative (representing students at faculty meetings).
- 2003-2004 Graduate Student Senate representative for the department of linguistics.

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Statistics R, SPSS (2 semester graduate statistics class in Psychology at UMass)
Psycholinguistics E-Prime (self paced reading software)
 Eye-tracking (DPI Gen 6, Eyelink 1000)

LANGUAGES

German: native
English: fluent
Spanish: conversational
French: basic knowledge
Latin: basic reading knowledge

FIELDWORK

2002-2003 Kikuyu (Berlin)
2005 Kono (Amherst, MA)

MEMBERSHIPS

Linguistic Society of America, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft, Gesellschaft für Semantik

REFERENCES

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