



20th Diachronic Generative Syntax Conference (DiGS20) University of York, 18-21 June 2018

Monday 18 June

Workshop on Syntax and Reconstruction

Venue: D/L/036 (Derwent College L Block)

10:00-11:00 **Registration**

11:00-11:10 **Welcome**

11:10-11:50 Ioanna Sitaridou (University of Cambridge)
Syntactic reconstruction of Asia Minor Greek

11:50-12:30 Paul Kiparsky (Stanford University)
The Evolution of Subject Licensing in Indo-European Languages

12:30-14:10 **Lunch**

14:10-14:50 Sigríður Sæunn Sigurðardóttir (Yale University) and Þórhallur Eyþórsson
(University of Iceland)
*The case of things that rain and snow: Reconstructing weather
expressions in Proto-Germanic*

14:50-15:30 Luca Bortolussi (Università di Trieste), Guido Cordoni (University of
York), Cristina Guardiano (Università di Modena e Reggio Emilia),
Monica Irimia (Università di Modena e Reggio Emilia), Andrea Ceolin
(University of Pennsylvania), Dimitar Kazakov (University of York),
Giuseppe Longobardi (University of York), Nina Radkevich (University
of York) and Andrea Sgarro (Università di Trieste)
*How time-bound is your grammar? Pushing the limits of comparative
methods through syntax*

15:30-15:50 **Coffee/tea break**

15:50-16:30 Laura Grestenberger (University of Vienna)
Reconstructing passive syntax in Proto-Indo-European

16:30-17:30 **Invited speaker:** George Walkden (University of Konstanz)
Proto-Indo-European: a language without Merge?

Alternate Maris Camilleri (University of Essex)
*On the diachrony and development of the Universal Perfect construction
across the Arabic vernaculars*

Tuesday 19 June

Venue: Bowland Auditorium, Berrick Saul Building

8:15-9:15 **Registration**

9:15-9:30 **Welcome**

9:30-10:30 **Invited speaker:** Edith Aldridge (University of Washington)
Reconstructing Proto-Austronesian Alignment

10:30-11:10 Hiroaki Saito (University of Connecticut)
Grammaticalization as Decategorization

11:10-11:30 **Coffee/tea break**
Venue: the Treehouse (Berrick Saul Building)

11:30-12:10 Barbara Meisterernst (National Tsing Hua University)
A syntactic approach to the grammaticalization of the modal marker dāng 當 in Middle Chinese

12:10-12:50 Lingzi Zhuang (Cornell University)
Diachronic development of accusativity in Tibetan subject relative clauses

12:50-14:20 **Lunch**

14:20-15:00 Emanuela Sanfelici and Cecilia Poletto (Università di Padova)
The diachrony of Italian free relative clauses

15:00-15:40 Eric Fuß (Institute for the German Language Mannheim)
Wh-relatives in the history of German (and what gender's got to do with it)

15:40-16:40 **Coffee/tea break and Poster Session 1**
Venue: the Treehouse (Berrick Saul Building)

16:40-17:20 Tara Struik and Ans van Kemenade (Radboud University)
Information-structure driven word order variation in the history of English: a phase-based approach

17:20-18:00 Ryan Hearn (Cornell University)
Disharmonic headedness in functional categories in Indo-European

18:30- **Reception**
Venue: the Treehouse (Berrick Saul Building)

Wednesday 20 June

Venue: Bowland Auditorium, Berrick Saul Building

8:30-9:30 **Registration**

9:30-10:10 Chiara Truppi and Tjerk Hagemeijer (Universidade de Lisboa)
Grammaticalization of tense in the Upper Guinea Creoles

10:10-10:50 Tamas Halm (Research Institute for Linguistics, Hungarian Academy of Sciences)
Grammaticalization without Feature Economy: Evidence from the Voice Cycle in Hungarian

10:50-11:10 **Coffee/tea break**
Venue: the Treehouse (Berrick Saul Building)

11:10-11:50 Veronika Hegedűs and Katalin Gugán (Research Institute for Linguistics, Hungarian Academy of Sciences)
Two word order variations in Old and Middle Hungarian and how they are related

11:50-12:30 Chiara Gianollo (Università di Bologna)
Indefinites and negation in Ancient Greek

12:30-14:10 **Lunch**

14:10-15:10 **Invited speaker:** Cecilia Poletto (Università di Padova)
The twists and shakes of pro drop: On the licensing of null topics in Old Italian varieties

15:10-15:50 Jacopo Garzonio (Università di Padova)
On the typology of Negative Concord. A view from Old Venetian

15:50-16:10 **Coffee/tea break**
Venue: B/S/007 (Berrick Saul Building)

16:10-16:50 Ans van Kemenade (Radboud University) and Christine Meklenborg Salvesen (University of Oslo)
Critical remarks on the Force-Fin V2 model

16:50-17:30 Benjamin Lowell Sluckin (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin)
Revisiting V3 in Kiezdeutsch: a preverbal subject constraint across different types of V3

17:30-18:10 Anne Breitbarth (Ghent University)
Resumption after left-peripheral conditional clauses in Middle Low German

19.15- **Conference Dinner**
Venue: Dean Court Hotel

Thursday 21 June

Venue: Bowland Auditorium, Berrick Saul Building

8:30-9:30 **Registration**

9:30-10:10 Amie Dejong (University of Washington)
Origins of "positive" anymore in Scotland: not so positive

10:10-10:50 Monica Alexandrina Irimia (Università di Modena e Reggio Emilia) and Anna
Pineda (Universitat Pompeu Fabra)
On the setting of Scales in the diachrony of DOM

10:50-11:10 **Coffee/tea break**
Venue: the Treehouse (Berrick Saul Building)

11:10-11:50 Marco Coniglio (Georg-August-Universität Göttingen), Chiara De Bastiani
(Università Ca' Foscari Venezia / Bergische Universität Wuppertal), Roland
Hinterhölzl (Università Ca' Foscari Venezia) and Thomas Weskott (Georg-
August-Universität Göttingen)
In the right mood, in the right place

11:50-12:30 Łukasz Jędrzejowski (Universität zu Köln)
On the development of mirative-prospective clauses in German

12:30-14:10 **Lunch**

14:10-14:50 Hajime Ikawa (Aoyama Gakuin University)
On Kakarimusubi in Old Japanese and Labeling under Minimal Search

14:50-15:30 Kari Kinn (University of Oslo)
*Kinship nouns in American vs. European Norwegian: a nanoparametric
approach*

15:30-16:30 **Coffee/tea break and Poster Session 2**
Venue: the Treehouse (Berrick Saul Building)

16:30-17:10 Lieven Danckaert (CNRS / Université de Lille)
Rethinking the origins of Old Romance V-to-C movement

17:10-18:10 **Invited speaker:** Theresa Biberauer (University of Cambridge /
Stellenbosch University)
*Peripheral significance: a phasal perspective on the grammaticalisation of
speaker perspective*

18:10-18:30 **Closing remarks and business meeting**

Alternates Elly van Gelderen (Arizona State University)
Swimming, flowing, and floating: stability and instability in lexical aspect

Svetlana Petrova (Bergische Universität Wuppertal)
Variation and change in German embedded V2

Shuto Yamamura (University of Tsukuba)
*Focus-based Licensing Approach to Noun Ellipsis and the Pro-form One in
English*

Poster Session 1 (Tuesday 19 June, 15:40-16:40)

Venue: the Treehouse (Berrick Saul Building)

Maris Camilleri (University of Essex)

On the diachrony and development of the Universal Perfect construction across the Arabic vernaculars

Andrea Ceolin (University of Pennsylvania)

Constraints on Old English Genitive variation

Olga Kellert (University of Göttingen)

Diachrony of indefinites with Free Choice Function in Romance

Chiara Truppi (Universidade de Lisboa)

The copula cycle in Kriyol

Poster Session 2 (Thursday 21 June, 15:50-16:50)

Venue: the Treehouse (Berrick Saul Building)

Nicholas Catasso (Bergische Universität Wuppertal)

Multiply-filled prefield and diagnostic verb movement in Old High German

Svetlana Petrova (Bergische Universität Wuppertal)

Variation and change in German embedded V2

Christine Meklenborg Salvesen (University of Oslo)

The emergence of a strict V2 system

Shuto Yamamura (University of Tsukuba)

Focus-based Licensing Approach to Noun Ellipsis and the Pro-form One in English