

TOWARDS A THEORY OF SYNTACTIC VARIATION Bilbao, June 5-7, 2013

PROGRAM

Wednesday, June 5th, 2013

8:30 Registration

8:55 Opening

9:00/10:00

Keynote Speaker: Richard S. Kayne (NYU)

The silence of Projecting Heads

Chair: Beatriz Fernández (UPV/EHU)

10:00/10:40

Mafioso parameters and the limits of syntactic variation

Theresa Biberauer (Univ. of Cambridge), Ian Roberts (Univ. of Cambridge) & Michelle L. Sheehan (Univ. of Cambridge)

Chair: Jon Ortiz de Urbina (Deusto Univ.)

10:40/11:20

Towards a (non-syntactic) theory of variation

Evelina Leivada (Univ. de Barcelona) & Cedric Boeckx (ICREA, Univ. de Barcelona)

Coffee Break

11:40/12:20

How can merge-based efficiency-compliant mechanism deal with a 'head-initial vs. head-final' variation?

Hisatsugu Kitahara (Keio Univ.)

Chair: Arantzazu Elordieta (UPV/EHU)

12:20/13:00

The head parameter as encoded into functional categories

Jun Abe (Tohoku Gakuin Univ.)

Lunch

15:00/15:40

Microvariation in Welsh pronouns and agreement

David Willis (Univ. of Cambridge)

Chair: Ane Odria (UPV/EHU)

15:40/16:20

Syntactic variation in Romance v

Angel Gallego (Univ. Autònoma de Barcelona)

Coffee Break

16:40/17:20

Unexpected variation between EP and BP – rethinking parameters

Manuela Ambar (Univ. de Lisboa)

Chair: Ane Odria (UPV/EHU)

Thursday, June 6th, 2013

9:00/10:00

Keynote Speaker: Esther Torrego (IKERBASQUE, UPV/EHU)

Comp connections: Then and now

Chair: Itziar Laka (UPV/EHU)

10:00/10:40

Formal features and ergative variation

Edith Aldridge (Univ. of Washington)

Chair: Ricardo Etxepare (CNRS-IKER UMR 5478)

10.40/11:20

Towards a parameter hierarchy for alignment

Michelle L. Sheehan (Univ. of Cambridge)

Coffee Break

11:40/12:20

Micro- and macro-parameters in Mayan syntactic ergativity

Robert Henderson (McGill Univ.), Jessica Coon (McGill Univ.) & Lisa Travis (McGill Univ.)

Chair: Ane Berro (UPV/EHU)

12:20/13:00

Locating variation in person restrictions: When they arise and how to get out of them

Martin Walkow (UCLA)

Lunch

15:00/16:00

Keynote Speaker: Hagit Borer (Queen Mary, Univ. of London)

Heads and segments

Chair: Robert A. Freidin (Princeton Univ.)

Coffee Break

16:10/16:50

A tale of two datives

Ulyana Savchenko (Univ. of Toronto) & Yves Roberge (Univ. of Toronto)

Chair: Pablo Albizu (UPV/EHU)

16:50/17:30

The Generalized Applicative Hypothesis

Dimitris Michelioudakis (Univ. of Cambridge)

Friday, June 7th, 2013

9:00/9:40

Syntactic variation in nominal root compounding

Leah S. Bauke (Goethe University)

Chair: Maia Duguine (UPV/EHU)

9:40/10:20

Toward microparameters of mass and count

Amy Rose Deal (Univ. of California)

10:20/11:00

Language variation and the nature of parametric dependencies

Cedric Boeckx (ICREA, Univ. de Barcelona) & Evelina Leivada (Univ. de Barcelona)

Chair: Aritz Irurtzun (CNRS-IKER UMR 5478)

Coffee Break

11:20/12:00

The historical reality of parametric variation

Giuseppe Longobardi (Univ. of Trieste), Cristina Guardiano (Univ. di Modena e Reggio Emilia), Giuseppina Silvestri (Univ. di Trieste), Andrea Ceolin (Univ. di Trieste), Luca Bortolussi (Univ. di Trieste), Andrea Sgarro (Univ. di Trieste)

Chair: Aritz Irurtzun (CNRS-IKER UMR 5478)

12:00/13:00

Keynote Speaker: Milan Rezac (CNRS-IKER UMR 5478)

Phi constructions: Scope, locality and autonomy of syntactic variation

Lunch

15:00/15:40

A unified account for Italian pro-drop and German topic-drop

Nobu Goto (Mie Univ.)

Chair: Myriam Uribe-Etxebarria (UPV/EHU)

15:40/16:20

Parametric view on Tense Projection

Ryosuke Shibagaki (Nanzan Univ.) & Hideki Kishimoto (Kobe Univ.)

Coffee Break

16:30/17:10

Partial wh-movement revisited: a microcomparative perspective

Eefje Boef (ZAS Berlin)

Chair: Bill Haddican (City Univ. of New York)

17:10/17:50

Why is Integrated Parenthetical integrated?

Yasuyuki Fukutomi (Fukushima Univ.)