

Workshop 'Modelling constructional variation and change: Agents, networks, and vectors'

University of Zurich, 15-16 November 2021

Monday, November 15

Time	Speaker(s)	Title
09:00-09:30	Welcome & introduction	
09:30-10:00	Freek van de Velde (KU Leuven)	Markov models for diachronic corpus studies
10:00-10:30	Stefano de Pascale (KU Leuven)	Token-based distributional semantics for grammatical alternation research
10:30-11:00	Coffee break	
11:00-11:30	Guillaume Desagulier (University of Paris VIII)	Capturing horizontal links in a construction network using semantic vector spaces: a Diachronic Construction Grammar perspective
11:30-12:00	Andreas Baumann (University of Vienna)	Exploiting embeddings for analyzing the role of emotion in lexical change
12:00-13:00	Short talks [VIRTUAL]: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- YingYing Cai (KU Leuven): 'Understanding variation against a broader system: PP-complements to English mental adjectives in the 20th ct.'- Sergio Jimenez et al. (Instituto Caro y Cuervo, Bogota/ IPN Mexico): 'A corpus-based variational measure of the order of words'- Paola Marongiu (University Neuchatel): 'Co-occurrence of modal markers in a Latin corpus: from texts to networks'- Tess Monks (Harvard University): 'Modelling diachronic semantics of demonstrative pronouns'	
13:00-14:00	Lunch break	
14:00-14:30	Quentin Feltgen (University of Paris III)	On the edge of transformation: diachronic productivity at the scale of a constructional paradigm
14:30-15:00	Lauren Fonteyn & Enrique Manjavacas (University of Leiden)	A 'hands-off' approach to modelling constructional change with word embeddings: current challenges and future prospects
15:00-15:30	Sara Budts (University of Antwerp)	On flat cues and deep learning: the benefits of Convolutional Neural Networks for (historical) linguistic research
15:30-16:00	Coffee break	
16:00-16:30	Stefania Degaetano-Ortlieb, Tanja Säily & Yuri Bizzoni (University of Saarland/ University of Helsinki) [VIRTUAL]	Registerial adaptation vs. innovation across situational contexts: 18th century women in transition
16:30-17:00	Peter Petré (University of Antwerp)	What is being modelled?
17:00-17:30	Susanne Flach (University of Zurich)	The individual & the aggregate: Where and why does individual variation matter in corpus linguistics?
19:00-	Workshop dinner (<i>Restaurant Uniturm</i> ; Rämistrasse 71, 8006 Zurich)	

Tuesday, November 16

Time	Speaker(s)	Title
09:30-10:00	Natalia Levshina (MPI Nijmegen) [VIRTUAL]	Communicative efficiency as a driving force in language variation and change
10:00-10:30	Remi van Trijp (Sony Lab Paris)	Variation as a design feature of the linguistic inventory: A computational perspective
10:30-11:00	Eva Zehentner (University of Zurich)	PPs as a methodological and theoretical challenge
11:00-11:30	Coffee break	
11:30-12:00	Harish Tayyar Madabushi (University of Sheffield) [VIRTUAL]	BERT "knows" Construction Grammar: Evidence and implications
12:00-12:30	Laurence Romain & Dagmar Divjak (University of Birmingham)	Learning the English TA system from usage: a view from error-driven learning
12:30-13:00	Dagmar Divjak & Laurence Romain (University of Birmingham)	Making new with the old: a learning perspective on the variables that guide article choice in English
13:00-14:30	Lunch break (ETH Dozentenfoyer)	
14:30-15:00	Dirk Pijpops (University of Liège) [VIRTUAL]	Combining corpus research with agent-based modelling in the study of morphological and syntactic variation
15:00-15:30	Marianne Hundt, Laetitia van Driessche & Dirk Pijpops (University of Zurich/ University of Liège)	Approaching epicentral influence with agent-based modelling
15:30-16:00	Coffee break	
16:00-16:30	Luc Steels (University Pompeu Fabra)	Solved and unsolved problems in the computational modelling of constructional variation and change
16:30-17:00	Sali Tagliamonte (University of Toronto) [VIRTUAL]	Under construction: Changing systems in spoken English
17:00-17:30	Workshop closing	
18:30-	Apéro riche (English Department, Plattenstrasse 47, 8032 Zurich)	