

# UPenn – Department of Linguistics

## 2022A spring: Ling 551 – Syntax 2

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### 1 Practical issues

- credit requirements:
  - regular attendance
  - active participation
  - read the assigned papers
  - presentation of (an earlier stage of) the term paper: roughly 20min + questions, with handout/slides, at the end of the semester
  - grade composed of:
    - \* 5 written assignments in the first half of the semester (50%), typically involving data analysis/various exercises, potentially also questions related to a paper; released on Wednesday, due next Monday before class (working with other students is o.k, but solutions have to be handed in individually, preferably in electronic form; use latex for trees etc.)
    - \* write a term paper (deadline: tbd) (50%)
- all material can be found on canvas; zoom lectures will be recorded

### 2 Goals

- get an overview of A'-related phenomena
- understand the major theoretical issues
- learn to read original papers
- learn to analyze complex data sets
- learn to develop your own research questions

### 3 Background reading

- general syntax intro: Adger (2003): chapters 8–10
- intro Minimalist syntax: Hornstein et al. (2005): chapters 5,6,7,9,10
- another intro: Sportiche et al. (2014)

### 4 Topics (draft)

- CP-layer (basics): Adger (2003: 8.1; 9.1–9.4)
  - what is the head of the clause: selection + distribution
  - T-to-C-movement
  - subject clauses
  - wh-movement: evidence for movement
  - doubly-filled comps
  - V2 = V-to-C-movement

- split-CP/cartography
  - more fine-grained structure of the left periphery: Rizzi (1997) vs. Abels (2012a)
  - wh-movement vs. topicalization
  - embedded V2
  - alternatives to cartography
  - information structure and triggers: Fanselow & Lenertová (2011)
  - differences between local and long-distance movement: as an argument that different positions are involved (in favor of cartography)
- long-distance movement:
  - empirical evidence for successive cyclicity: reflexes of movement: McCloskey (1990), McCloskey (2000), McCloskey (2002), Urk & Richards (2015); Georgi (2017), Urk (2019)
  - implementation of successive-cyclicity: Attract vs. Greed vs. phase-balance; cyclic Agree: Bošković (2007), Heck & Müller (2007),
  - which phases are there? Uniform vs. punctuated paths: Fox (1999), Legate (2003), Sauerland (2003), Abels (2012b)
  - strict cycle condition
- A'-movement: on unifying different construction types
  - properties of A'-movement: Chomsky (1977),
  - differences between A and A'-movement: Mahajan (1990), Urk (2015: chapter 2), Safir (2019), Keine (2019)
  - differences between the various A'-constructions: Postal (1994), Cinque (1990), Lasnik & Stowell (1991)
  - mixed types: Urk (2015: chapter 2)
- locality constraints: Müller (2011: 9-62)
  - classical Ross islands: Ross (1967)
  - subjacency
  - ECP barriers: Chomsky (1986)
  - CED: Müller (2010)
  - superiority, relativized minimality/Minimal Link Condition: Rizzi (1990), Müller (2004), Müller (2011)
  - PIC: Chomsky (2000), Chomsky (2001), Abels (2012b)
  - Williams cycle, improper movement: Müller (2014a)
  - economy constraints: Sternefeld (1997), Müller & Sternefeld (2001), Müller (2006)
  - left-branch extraction: Bošković (2005), Bošković (2016), Branagan (2018)
  - weak islands:
- remnant movement
  - representational vs. derivational approaches: Müller (1996), Müller (2015)
  - Müller-Takano generalization
  - Barss' generalization: Heck & Assmann (2014)
- LF-syntax:
  - Quantifier raising, scope, ACD: Bruening (2001), Fox (2002), Fox (2003), Wurmbrand (2018)
- long-distance agreement: Polinsky & Potsdam (2001), Branigan & MacKenzie (2002), Bhatt (2005), Legate (2005), Bobaljik & Wurmbrand (2005), Keine (2019),

- alternatives to regular A'-movement
  - resumption/base-generation: Aoun et al. (2001), McCloskey (2002), van Urk (2018)
  - (cyclic) Agree: Adger & Ramchand (2005), Legate (2005)
  - wh-in situ: perhaps something on Beck effects - Korean? manetta 2010? aoun and li 1993? Cole and hermon 1998? - dayal 2017? Beck (1996), Pesetsky (2000), Kotek (2016), Kotek (2017),
  - partial movement, scope marking, wh-copying: Felser (2001, 2004)
  - prolepsis-based A'-constructions: Salzmänn (2017)
  
- special A'-constructions
  - relative clauses: Bhatt (2002), Henderson (2007), Donati & Cecchetto (2011), Sichel (2014), Salzmänn (2017)
  - clitic left-dislocation: Cinque (1990)
  - parasitic gaps
  - tough-movement: Řezáč (2006), Keine & Poole (2017)
  - rightward movement: Buring & Hartmann (1997), Fox & Nissenbaum (1999), Hunter & Frank (2014), Bruening (2018)
  
- Architectural issues
  - single output syntax vs. separate LF-branch, PF-movement: Nissenbaum (2000), Pesetsky (2000), Sauerland & Elbourne (2002)
  - copy theory of movement: what determines which copy is spelled out? Nunes (2004), Bobaljik (2002)
  - linearization: LCA and its alternatives: Kayne (1994), Fox & Pesetsky (2005), Abels & Neeleman (2012)
  
- negation: Zeijlstra (2004), Zeijlstra (2016)
  - NegP
  - negative concord: Luc & Daniel (1994), Zeijlstra (2004)
  - neg-raising: Collins & Postal (2017)
  - NPI-licensing
  - negative indefinites: Zeijlstra (2011)
  
- binding, logophors: Reinhart & Reuland (1993), Reuland (2001), Bruening (2014), Charnavel & Sportiche (2016)
- head-movement Arregi & Pietraszko (2019)
- reconstruction/late merger: Fox (1999), Takahashi & Hulsey (2009)
- free word order in the middle field
  - object shift
  - scrambling: movement: Japanese or neeleman and van der koot?: Heck & Himmelreich (2017)
  - scrambling: base-generation: Fanselow (2001)
  
- adjuncts: hierarchy: Cinque (1999)
- Rule ordering in syntax: derivational vs. representational approaches: Georgi (2014)
- Sharing constructions: ATB-movement, cf. Citko (2005), Salzmänn (2012)

## 5 Program

- 01.12.2021 Basics part 1: CP-structure, T-to-C-movement, wh-mvt: Adger chapter 8.1; 9.1–9.8
- 01.19.2021 Basics part 2: CP-structure Adger chapter 8.1; 9.1–9.8  
**release assignment 1**
- 01.24.2021 Split CP: Rizzi (1997) (omit sections 8-9,11-12)
- 01.26.2021 movement and information structure: Fanselow & Lenertová (2011) (omit sections 4,6,2,7)  
**release assignment 2**
- 01.31.2021 successive cyclic mvt – evidence: Urk & Richards (2015) (omit section 7)
- 02.02.2021 Which XPs are phases 1? Uniform vs. punctuated paths: Abels (2012b: 15-49)  
**release assignment 3**
- 02.07.2021 Which XPs are phases 2: Uniform vs. punctuated paths:
- 02.09.2021 successive cyclic mvt – implementation: Bošković (2007) (omit sections 3.3 and 6.2)
- 02.14.2021 A'-movement vs. A-movement Urk (2015: 23-37)
- 02.16.2020 locality 1: Classic constraints/Constraints in the Principles and Parameters approach: Müller (2006: 32-80)  
**release assignment 4**
- 02.21.2021 locality 2: Constraints in the Principles and Parameters approach/Transderivational constraints in the Minimalist Program? Müller (2006: 93-111)
- 02.23.2021 locality 3: Transderivational constraints in the Minimalist Program/Differences between different types of A'-movement  
Müller (2006: 93-111); Postal (1994: 159-171)
- 02.28.2021 Remnant Movement: Müller (1996: 355-364,372-384,388-392); Müller (2015: 60-65), Müller (2014b: 99-108)  
**release assignment 5**
- 03.02.2021 locality 4: CED-effects and the PIC: Müller (2010) (omit everything from 5.2)
- Spring Break**
- 03.14.2021 locality 5: LBC and anti-locality; contextual phase-hood/edge-hood: Bošković (2016) (omit 4.1 and appendix)
- 03.16.2021 QR, ACD and superiority Bruening (2001) (omit sect. 5.7 and 7)
- 03.21.2021 discussion assignment 5
- 03.23.2021 wh-in-situ, intervention effects Kotek (2017)(omit 3.3, 4), [Kotek (2016)(omit 4.2)]
- 03.28.2021 architecture: separate LF-cycle or single output syntax: Nissenbaum (2000: 95-148); omit 113-118, 124-130
- 03.30.2021 Long-distance agreement: Polinsky & Potsdam (2001) (omit sections 2 and 3, 5.2)
- 04.04.2021 resumption: Aoun et al. (2001) (sect. 7 optional)
- 04.06.2021 relative clauses Salzmann (2017: 6-16;34-48;55-63;77-81)
- 04.11.2021 Neg-raising Collins & Postal (2017) (omit sections 9–11)
- 04.13.2021 linearization 1: copy theory of movement: Nunes (2004: 7-43) (1.42 optional)
- 04.18.2021 linearization 2: word order: Abels & Neeleman (2012) (omit sect. 4 & all from 5.2.2)
- 04.20.2021 Binding and c-command Bruening (2014) (omit sections 4; 5.4–5.5; 6; 8)
- 04.25.2021 **presentations** *tba*
- 04.27.2021 **presentations** *tba*

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