

**University of Leipzig, Department of Linguistics**  
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**Syntax of the noun phrase**

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## **1 Practical issues**

- part of MA-module 04-046-2015 (Syntax: Lokale Prozesse) and IGRA08 (topics in syntax)
- credit requirements:
  - MA: ‘Projektarbeit’ = term paper (in one of the 3 courses)
  - PhD: no specific requirements (but your squib may be related to this course)
  - everyone who intends to take the course for credit is expected to present one article during the seminar
- regular attendance and preparation of the lectures is expected
- punctuality is appreciated
- no use of mobile phones during class
- required qualifications: solid background in formal syntax, see <http://home.uni-leipzig.de/heck/kurse.ss.16.htm>; textbook: Adger (2003)

## **2 Goals**

- Get an overview of the various theoretically interesting empirical phenomena
- Discover the parallels and differences between the nominal and the clausal level

## **3 Background reading**

- the original: Abney (1987)
- overviews: Bernstein (2001) [very superficial, though], Longobardi (2001), Coene and d’Hulst (2003), Alexiadou et al. (2007), Bruening (2009), Punske (2014)
- some typology: Plank (2003)

## **4 Possible topics (suggestions welcome)**

- DP or NP? Parallels between the clausal and the nominal domain
- The cartography of the noun phrase
- Concord (in case and phi-features): Nikolaeva (2005), Georgi and Salzmann (2011), Danon (2011), Hyman et al. (2013), Toosarvandani and van Urk (2014)
- Agreement in the German DP and adjectival inflection: Sternefeld (2004)
- The syntax of possessors/genitives (including possessor doubling, Status constructus, Case-splits etc.): Koptjevskaja-Tamm (2002, 2003), Georgi and Salzmann (2011), Assmann et al. (2014), Öztürk and Taylan (2016)

- The syntax of numerals, genitive of quantification: Bošković (2006), Brattico (2010, 2011), Danon (2012, 2013), Pesetsky (2013)
- Definiteness marking: Danon (2008), Hankamer and Mikkelsen (2005), Heck et al. (2009), Katzir (2011), Schoorlemmer (2012), Norris et al. (2014)
- Languages without articles – Extraction from DP (PP-, left-branch extraction): Cheng and Sybesma (1999) Bošković (2005, 2008, 2009, 2016), Pereltsvaig (2006, 2007, 2013), Despić (2013), Gillon and Armoskaite (2015)
- Order in the noun phrase (Greenberg’s Universal 20): Cinque (2005), Abels and Neeleman (2012)
- Head-movement within DP: Longobardi (1994), Georgi and Müller (2010)
- The syntax of adjectives, e.g. Cinque (2010)
- NP-ellipsis: Corver and van Koppen (2010), Corver and van Koppen (2011)
- Discontinuous DPs (NP-split as in German *Greifvögel mag Gereon nur Bussarde*): Ott (2015)
- Predicate inversion, N-of-N-construction (*ein Bär von einem Mann*), e.g. Bennis et al. (1997), Dikken and Singhapreecha (2004)
- Determiner doubling (e.g. dialectal German: *ein ganz ein guter Wein*), polydefinites: Katzir (2011), Lekakou and Szendrői (2012), Alexiadou (2014)
- The recent book by Adger (2013) on labeling and order in the NP

## 5 Provisional Program

- No class on Oct 18 and December 6 (make-up classes upon request)
- class starts at 11.00 and ends at 12.30

11.10.2016	Intro1	<i>Martin</i>
25.10.2016	Intro2	<i>Martin</i>
01.11.2016	Concord 1: Danon (2011)	<i>Martin</i>
08.11.2016	Concord 2: Toosarvandani and van Urk (2014), [opt: Nikolaeva (2005)]	<i>Martin</i>
15.11.2016	Visibility in the German DP: Sternefeld (2004)	<i>Martin</i>
22.11.2016	Case Split on Possessors: Assmann et al. (2014)	<i>Sören</i>
29.11.2016	Genitive of quantification: Bošković (2006), [opt: Brattico (2011)]	<i>Imke</i>
13.12.2016	Agreement with quantified NPs: Danon (2013)	<i>Elena+Jelena</i>
20.12.2016	Expression of definiteness within DP: Schoorlemmer (2012)	<i>Laura</i>
10.01.2017	Definiteness spreading: Danon (2008)	<i>Yuriy</i>
17.01.2017	Languages without articles/LBE: Bošković (2005)	<i>Andy</i>
24.01.2017	Order in the noun phrase: Abels and Neeleman (2012)	<i>Sampson</i>
31.01.2017	Predicate Inversion: Bennis et al. (1997)	<i>Luise</i>

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