# MARIA COPOT

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# RESEARCH INTERESTS

Morphology Word-based theories, paradigmatic structure, the inflection-

derivation continuum, defectiveness, truncation.

Language and Cognition The structure of the mental lexicon, frequency effects, lan-

guage and memory, language-based synaesthesia.

Language and Society Gender-inclusive writing, identity construction, prescriptivism

and language use.

**Language Documentation** Computational methods in fieldwork.

#### **EDUCATION**

# Université Paris Cité

PhD in Language Sciences. Thesis: Taking paradigms seriously: applying a paradigmatic framework to human linguistic behaviour

# University of Cambridge

MPhil in Theoretical and Applied Linguistics. Thesis: Faux-pacity: an analogical reanalysis of phonological opacity and evidence in favour

# University of Cambridge

BA in Theoretical and Applied Linguistics. Dissertation: Nasals are the colour of the morning sky: synaesthetic correlates of phonological distinctive features

High Distinction

2019 - Present

2017

2018

First Class Honours

# PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Maria Copot and Olivier Bonami (submitted). Behavioural evidence for implicative paradigmatic relations. Submitted to *The Mental Lexicon*.

**Maria Copot**, Timothee Mickus and Olivier Bonami (accepted). Idiosyncratic frequency as a measure of derivation vs. inflection. In *Journal of Language Modeling*.

Maria Copot, Sara Court, Noah Diewald, Stephanie Antetomaso, and Micha Elsner (2022) A word-and-paradigm workflow for fieldwork annotation. In *Proceedings of the Fifth Workshop on the Use of Computational Methods in the Study of Endangered Languages*, pages 159–169, Dublin, Ireland. Association for Computational Linguistics.

# Invited

Maria Copot (2022). A behavioural perspective on paradigmatic structure in inflection and derivation. Surrey Morphology Group. University of Surrey, UK.

Maria Copot (2021). The impact of form predictability and frequency on the internal organisation of the mental lexicon. Synners (Syntax and Semantics Group). The Ohio State University. Columbus, OH, USA.

Maria Copot and Olivier Bonami (2020). Is defectiveness that surprising? The influence of paradigmatic predictability on token frequency. Feast and Famine project workshop. Online.

# Conference talks

Maria Copot, Ninoh Agostinho Da Silva, Ahmed Beji, Arno Watiez and Olivier Bonami (2023). Forthcoming. Truncation as a source of uninflectedness in French verbs. 45 Jahrestagung der Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft. Universität zu Köln, Germany.

Sara Court, Maria Copot, Noah Diewald, Stephanie Antetomaso and Micha Elsner (2022). A community-centered workflow for morphological annotation. Language Documentation and Archiving. Berlin Brandenburg Academy of Sciences. Berlin, Germany.

Maria Copot and Andrea D. Sims (2022). Defectiveness as a product of prescriptivism: a behavioural study. 20th International Morphology Meeting. Hungarian Research Centre for Linguistics. Budapest, Hungary.

Maria Copot and Olivier Bonami (2022). Behavioural evidence on the interplay of form predictability and cell frequency. 20th International Morphology Meeting. Hungarian Research Centre for Linguistics. Budapest, Hungary.

Maria Copot, Sara Court, Noah Diewald, Stephanie Antetomaso and Micha Elsner (2021). A word-and-paradigm workflow for fieldwork annotation. Fifth Workshop on the Use of Computational Methods in the Study of Endangered Languages, workshop at the Association for Computational Linguistics. Dublin, Ireland.

Maria Copot and Olivier Bonami (2021). Spare us the surprise: the interplay of paradigmatic predictability and frequency. 3rd International Symposium of Morphology. Online.

Maria Copot, Timothee Mickus and Olivier Bonami (2021). Striking out on one's own – idiosyncratic frequency as a measure of inflection vs derivation. Paradigmatic Morphology 2. Université Bordeaux Montaigne. Bordeaux, France.

Maria Copot (2019). Metatheoretical issues on opacity and implications for modeling. Workshop on computational models of morpho(phono)logy. University of Cambridge. Cambridge, United Kingdom.

Maria Copot (2018). Fauxpacity: a functionalist reanalysis of phonological opacity. Study Association for Linguistics in Leiden. University of Leiden. Leiden, Netherlands.

Maria Copot (2017) Nasals are the colour of the morning sky: evidence for phonological features from synaesthesia. Undergraduate Linguistics Association of Britain. Cambridge, United Kingdom.

# Internal

Maria Copot and Andrea D. Sims (2022). That icky feeling: the role of linguistic prescriptivism in speakers' experience of defectiveness. LingLunch. Université Paris Cité.

Maria Copot (2021). Experimentally prodding at the mental lexicon: the case study of surprisal. Séminaire doctoral SFL-LLF. Online.

Maria Copot (2021). Acquiring morphological generalisations: evidence from artificial language learning. Séminaire de linguistique expérimentale. Online.

2021

# OTHER EXPERIENCE

The Ohio State University

Local Advisor: Andrea D. Sims

Visiting Scholar

Digital IELTS 2018-2020

English language courses, AI-based pronunciation feedback

Course creator

# **TEACHING**

Introduction to Morphology Université Paris Cité

Instructor of record 2021-2022

Introduction to Morphology Université Paris Cité

Instructor of record 2020-2021

Aspects of Word Meaning Universiteit Utrecht

Co-Instructor 2020-2021

Introduction to Morphology Université Paris Cité

Instructor of record 2019-2020

Advanced Morphology University of Cambridge

Teaching Assistant 2018-2019

Introduction to Phonetics, Phonology and Morphology University of Cambridge

Teaching Assistant 2018-2019

# SUPERVISION

Aafje Kapteijns, Marieke Maas Universiteit Utrecht

Assigning Morphological Meaning to Zipfian Input: an Artificial 2021-2022

Language Experiment

Masters project supervisor

# Ninoh Agostinho Da Silva, Ahmed Beji, Arno Watiez Automatic Recognition of Truncated Forms in Text Masters project supervisor Firas Chalali, Thomas Gaudry Algorithmic Extraction of Truncated Forms in Text (data extraction and annotation) Internship supervisor Université Paris Cité 2021-2022 Université Paris Cité 2021-2022

Cassandre Despujols, Clara Hirst

The Structure of Derivational Paradigms (experiment creation)
Internship supervisor

Julie Bauné, Alice Bruguier

Université Paris Cité

2021-2022

Université Paris Cité

Predictability in Inflectional Paradigms (experiment creation)

2020-2021

Internship supervisor

Alice Pellet, Cindy Pereira, Arno Watiez

The Interaction between Truncation and Paradigm Structure (data 2019-2020 collection and annotation)

Internship supervisor

# FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS

Fellowships	
Initiative d'Excellence (IdEx) International PhD Fellowship PhD contract, September 2019–February 2023	<b>€</b> 79.000
Grants	
Laboratoire de Linguistique Formelle Travel Grant, September 2022	€550
Demonext Project Travel Grant, July 2022	€210
Demonext Project Salary to fund two internships, May 2022	€500
Laboratoire de Linguistique Formelle Travel Grant, April 2022	<b>€</b> 930
LabEx EFL Typology and Dynamics of Linguistic Systems Travel Grant, March 2022	€1.000
Laboratoire de Linguistique Formelle Travel Grant, March 2021	€800
LabEx EFL Mobility Fund Travel Grant, January 2020	\$7.065

# **AWARDS**

# Scholar of Churchill College, University of Cambridge

Award for academic achievements in undergraduate examinations

#### SERVICE

Doctoral School Committee Université Paris Cité

Graduate student representative 2020-Present

Laboratoire de Linguistique Formelle Committee Université Paris Cité

Graduate student representative 2019-2021

School of Theoretical and Applied Linguities University of Cambridge

Undergraduate admissions interviewer 2017-2019

Athena SWANN committee for gender equality

University of Cambridge

Student representative 2017-2018

School of Theoretical and Applied Linguitics University of Cambridge

Graduate student representative 2017-2018

School of Theoretical and Applied Linguities University of Cambridge

Undergraduate student representative 2015-2017

Churchill College University of Cambridge

International Students representative 2016-2017

# **EVENTS ORGANISED**

PhD Seminar of the Laboratoire de Linguistique Formelle Université Paris Cité

Co-organiser & Founder 2019-2021

Architectures and Mechanisms for Language Processing Université Paris Cité

Organising committee member 2021

Bayesian statistics reading group Université Paris Cité

Organiser 2020-2021

International Symposium of Morphology Université Paris Cité

Organising committee member 2019

Computational Models of Morpho(phono)logy University of Cambridge

Programme committee member 2019

# TECHNICAL SKILLS

General Microsoft Package, LATEX

Programming & Statistics Python, JavaScript, HTML, R, SPSS, statistical modeling (bayesian and

frequentist)

Data Collection Praat, PsychoPy, Ibex, PCIbex, Eyetracking

# LANGUAGES

Native Romanian, Italian, English

Fluent French, Spanish

**Learning** Swedish, Portuguese