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TALKS PRESENTED AT MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES

- 1961. (in Japanese) "*Waga Nippon hakken no san-dankai*" ["Three stages in my discovery of Japan"]. Asahi Shimbun Japanese speech contest for foreigners, Tokyo. June 3. Printed in *Nihonjin-tte omoshiroi desu ne*, Kokusai Kyooiku Shinkookai, Tokyo 1977, pp. 12-16.
- 1963. "Transformational analysis." U.C. Berkeley Linguistics Forum. February 5.
- 1964. "Verb concatenation in Kachin." Western Branch of the American Oriental Society, Berkeley. March 13.
- 1965. "My fieldwork on Lahu." Tribal Research Centre, Chiangmai.
- 1967. "Lahu and Proto-Tibeto-Burman: the utility of non-written languages for comparative reconstruction." Linguistic Society of America, Ann Arbor, Michigan. July 28.
- 1967. "Language and culture." Columbia University International Students Club. Oct. 26.
- 1968. "Lolo-Burmese, Tibeto-Burman, and Benedict's *Conspectus*." Princeton University. April 1.
- 1968. "Glottal dissimilation and the Lahu high-rising tone." First Meeting on Sino-Tibetan Reconstruction, Yale University. October.
- 1968. "Implications of Tibeto-Burman phonological developments for distinctive feature theory." Yale University Linguistics Club, New Haven. December 9.
- 1968. "Verb concatenation in Lahu: the ramifications of 'simple' juxtaposition." Linguistic Society of America, Chicago. December 30.
- 1969. "The tonal split in Loloish checked syllables." Second Meeting on Sino-Tibetan Reconstruction, Columbia University. October 10.
- 1970. "Parallelism and quaternary tropes in Lahu religious poetry." Third Conference on Sino-Tibetan Reconstruction, Cornell University. October 10.
- 1971. "The relevance of exotic languages for linguistic theory." Linguistics Group Meeting, University of California, Berkeley. February 10.
- 1971. "Lahu nominalization, genitivization, relativization." Santa Cruz Summer Linguistics Program, U.C. Santa Cruz. July.
- 1971. "Lahu nominalization, relativization, and genitivization." Fourth International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Language and Linguistic Studies. University of Indiana, Bloomington. October 9.
- 1972. "Tonogenesis: the birth of tonal distinctions in Sino-Tibetan." University of California Linguistics Club, San Diego. February 7. Given again Jan. 9, 1979.

1972. "Psycho-ostensive expressions in Yiddish." Santa Cruz Summer Linguistics Program, U.C. Santa Cruz. July 22.
1972. "The tones of Jinghpaw and Lolo-Burmese: common origin vs. independent development." Fifth International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Language and Linguistic Studies, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. October 21.
1973. "The Mon-Khmer substratum in Tibeto-Burman." First International Conference on Austroasiatic Linguistics, Honolulu. January 3.
1973. "Tonogenesis in Tibeto-Burman." Symposium on Consonant Types and Tone, University of Southern California, Los Angeles. March 10.
1973. "Language contact and genetic relationship in Southeast Asia." Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute Forum Lecture, Ann Arbor. August 6.
1973. "Problems and progress in Lolo-Burmese: quo vadimus?" Sixth International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, U.C. San Diego. October 20.
1973. "*Kike* and *cakrajaan*: or Why is a Jew like the Thai word for bicycle? -- semantic shifts in language history." Circulated at Sixth Sino-Tibetan Conference, San Diego. October 20.
1973. "Fieldwork meets philology: recent developments in Tibeto-Burman linguistics." Colloquium Orientologicum, Berkeley. November 28.
1974. "Synchronic and diachronic issues in Tibeto-Burman causatives." University of Southern California "Causative Festival." Los Angeles. May 3.
1974. "Semantic shifting in Tibeto-Burman body-part words." University of California, Santa Cruz. May 8.
1974. "For some think the brain is really marrow." Southeast Asia and the Pacific Organization (SEAPO), Berkeley. May 29.
1974. "Tibeto-Burman organic relationships: body-part nomenclature and genetic subgrouping." Seventh International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Georgia State University, Atlanta. October 18.
1974. "Rhinoglottophilia in Southeast Asia: the mysterious connection between nasality and glottality." *Nasálfest*, a Symposium on Nasals and Nasalization. U.C. Berkeley. November 24.
1975. "Semantic change in Tibeto-Burman." California Linguistic Association Conference, San Jose State University, San Jose. May 3.
1975. "Variational semantics in Tibeto-Burman: prolegomenon to a Sino-Tibetan etymological dictionary." Eighth International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, U.C. Berkeley. October 26.
1975. "'Winging it': a comment on Father Yang's paper, and an illustration of the kind of work in store for the compilers of the Sino-Tibetan Etymological Dictionary." Circulated at Eighth Sino-Tibetan Conference, Berkeley. October 26.
1975. "Variational semantics and the human body: in Sino-Tibetan and elsewhere." University of Southern California, Los Angeles. November 21.

1976. "Meaning change in Southeast Asian languages: words for parts of the body." Center for South and Southeast Asia Studies Colloquium. U.C. Berkeley. January 20.
1976. "Austro-Thai and Sino-Tibetan: an examination of body-part contact relationships." Association for Asian Studies, Toronto. March 20.
1976. "What Southeast Asia has to offer diachronic linguistics." U.C. Berkeley Study Group in Historical Linguistics. May 26.
1976. "Austro-Thai and Sino-Tibetan: an examination of body-part contact relationships." First Japan-U.S. Joint Seminar on East and Southeast Asian Linguistics, Shizuoka. July 23.
1976. "Mpi and Lolo-Burmese microlinguistics." Ninth International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Copenhagen. October 23.
1976. "Body-parts in Sino-Tibetan." Guest lecture, Scandinavian Institute of Asian Studies, Copenhagen. October 25.
1976. (in Japanese) "*Rafu-go to Mupi-go ni okeru akusento to seichoo no mondai*." ["Problems in the analysis of tone and accent in Lahu and Mpi."] Tokyo Foreign Languages University, Symposium on Tone and Accent. December 4.
1977. "Field linguistics in Southeast Asia." Kobe Jogakuin, Kobe, Japan. January 14. In English, translated by Monica Bethe.
1977. (in Japanese) "*Chibetto-Biruma shogo ni okeru seichoo-hassei gensoku*." ["Principles of tonogenesis in Tibeto-Burman."] Tokyo Foreign Languages University. January 29.
1977. "The lexicon of Loloish and Loloish lexicography." Tenth International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. October 15.
1977. "Body parts and semantic change." California State University, Fresno. November 15.
1978. "*Sha law ve*: a Lahu prayer for success in the hunt." U.C. Berkeley, South and Southeast Asia Center Poetry Reading. February 16.
1978. "Lahu religious poetry: a grammatical, literary, and cultural appreciation." Mekong River Festival, University of Hawaii, Honolulu. April 29.
1978. *[same talk as above]* U.C. Santa Barbara. May 19.
1978. *[same talk as above]* U.C. San Diego. May 30.
1978. "Speech act meets situational formula: Yiddish psycho-ostensives revisited." Linguistic Group Meeting, U.C. Berkeley. October 18.
1978. "Stars, moon, and spirits: bright beings of the night in Sino-Tibetan." Eleventh International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics. University of Arizona, Tucson. October 21.
1978. *[same talk as above]* Presented at Tenth International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences, New Delhi. December 15.
1978. *[same talk as above]* Presented at Second International Conference on Austroasiatic Linguistics, held as a Postplenary Session to ICAES X. Mysore, India. December 20.

1978. "Language contact and linguistic diversity in Thailand." ICAES X. Postplenary Session on "Problems of multilingualism." Mysore. December 21.
1979. "Tonogenesis: the birth of tonal distinctions in Sino-Tibetan." Jan. 9. (See Feb. 7, 1972.)
1979. "The Swindler and the village women: a Freudian discourse analytic approach to a Lahu picaresque story." Fifth Annual Meeting, Berkeley Linguistics Society. February 17.
1979. "Linguistic relationships in Southeast Asia: unravelling the tangled strands (or Ignorance is Bliss)." California State University Linguistics Club, Fresno. April 17.
1979. "Trickster and the village women: a psychological and linguistic appreciation of a ribald Lahu tale." Center for South and Southeast Asia Studies, U.C. Berkeley. May 3.
1979. "Synchronic variation and diachronic change in Lahu semantic fields." Second Annual Berkeley Sociolinguistics Symposium on Literacy and Variation and Change. May 19.
1979. "Trickster and the village women." Twelfth International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Paris. October 19.
1979. "Report on the Twelfth Sino-Tibetan Conference." SEAPO, U.C. Berkeley. November 1.
1980. "The branches of Tibeto-Burman." Association for Asian Studies, Washington, D.C. March 22.
1980. "Out on a limb: ARM, HAND, and WING in Sino-Tibetan." Thirteenth Inter-national Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, University of Virginia, Charlottesville. October 25.
1981. "New directions in Southeast Asian linguistics." Center for South and Southeast Asia Studies Faculty-Student Seminar, U.C. Berkeley Alumni House. February 21.
1981. "Loloish religious poetry." Second Michigan Conference on South and Southeast Asia, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. May 14.
1981. "Southeast Asia: languages as clues to culture." Bay Area Global Education Project, Stanford University. August 10.
1981. "Proto-languages and Proto-Sprachgefühl." Fourteenth International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, University of Florida, Gainesville. October 30.
1981. "Southeast Asian areal semantics: prefixation, word-families, and world-view." UCLA Syntax/Semantics Seminar, Los Angeles. December 4.
1982. "Intuition in linguistics." Panel on Transpersonal Linguistics, South-western Anthropology Association, Sacramento. April 10.
1982. "The Trickster figure in Lahu oral literature." Southeast Asian Literature Seminar, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton University. June 22.
1982. "The use of intuition in the study of languages". Talk presented at meeting of Center for the Investigation and Training of Intuition. San Francisco, September 26.

1983. Discussant for Panel "The behavior of tones: a reassessment." Discussed contributions of Timothy Light, Lin Tao, Hsin-I Hsieh, James Unhefer, and William S-Y. Wang. Association for Asian Studies. San Francisco, March 27.
1983. April/May: Lecture tour of China. See below.
1983. "God and the Sino-Tibetan copula, with some good news concerning selected Tibeto-Burman rhymes." 16th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics. University of Washington. Seattle, Sept. 16.
1983. "Doctorates and patience in the Mei-you clinic: a linguist's first trip to China, April-May 1983." Center for Chinese Studies Colloquium. Berkeley, Sept. 21.
1983. "Blessings, curses, hopes, and fears -- Yiddish expressions of emotional state." Berkeley-Richmond Jewish Community Center, Senior Nutrition Program lunchtime talk. Oct. 17.
1984. "Continua, cycles, and non-discretion: the importance of Loloish studies for general linguistics." Tenth Annual Meeting of the Berkeley Linguistics Society. Berkeley, Feb. 19.
1984. "Labiovelar unit phonemes in Lolo-Burmese? A case to chew over: Lahu **bê** 'chew' < PLB *N-gwya." First International Conference on Loloish Languages and Linguistics. Berkeley, Feb. 21.
1984. "Trickster and the village women: a psycho-symbolic discourse analysis of a Lahu picaresque tale." First All-University of California Meeting of South-east Asia Specialists. Center for South and Southeast Asia Studies. Berkeley, April 13.
- 1984. May: Lecture series in China. See below.**
1984. "Sino-Tibetan numerals and the play of prefixes." 17th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics. University of Oregon. Eugene, Sept. 7.
1984. "Linguistics and the law: when the whole world stands on the tip of one's tongue." University of California Linguistics Group Meeting. Berkeley, Sept. 11.
1984. "Historical semantics in action: God and the Sino-Tibetan copula." U.C. Santa Barbara Linguistics Club. November 2.
1985. "Linguistic correlates of social structure: plain hill pronouns and fancy plains pronouns." Second All University of California Conference on Southeast Asia. Berkeley, April 12.
- 1985. June: Lecture series, EHESS, Paris. See below.**
1985. "*Le coeur a ses raisons: l'expression des émotions dans les langues d'Asie du Sud-est.*" Journées de linguistique d'Asie Orientale, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales. Paris, June 7.
1985. "Hearts and minds: psycho-collocations in Southeast Asian languages and English." 18th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics. Ramakhamhaeng University. Bangkok, August 27.
1985. "Li and Tai-Kadai." First Austro-Tai Conference. Chiang Mai, September 1.
1985. "The importance of fieldwork for linguistic theory." Chulalongkorn University Department of Linguistics. Bangkok, September 7.

1986. "Tone, intonation, and sound symbolism in Lahu: stretching the syllable canon." Conference on Sound Symbolism. U.C. Berkeley, January 16.
1986. "A new Sino-Tibetan root ***d-yu-k** BELONG / TRUST / DEPEND / ACCEPT / TAKE, with a note of caution to megallo-reconstructionists." International Symposium on the Languages, Culture, and History of the Minority Nationalities of China. U.C. Santa Barbara, January 28.
1986. "God and the copula: phonological, grammatical, and semantic variation in a Sino-Tibetan word-family." First Spring Workshop on Theory and Method in Linguistic Reconstruction. University of Pittsburgh, March 21.
1986. "The problem of pernicious interalphabetization in Sino-Tibetan lexicography." Conference on Southeast Asia as a Linguistic Area. University of Chicago, April 16.
1986. "God and the copula: phonological and semantic ramifications of a Sino-Tibetan word-family." Historical Linguistics Study Group. U.C. Berkeley, April 30.
1986. *[same talk as above]* Linguistics Colloquium. U.C. Santa Cruz, May 9.
1986. "Proto-Li initials and tones: a first approximation." Austro-Tai Round Table, 19th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics. Ohio State University, Columbus. September 11.
1986. "Universal semantics and allofamic identification -- two Sino-Tibetan case-studies: straight / flat / full and property / livestock / talent ." 19th ICSTLL. Ohio State University, Columbus. September 12.
1986. "The Sino-Tibetan Etymological Dictionary project: can we do a thesaurus of a proto-lexicon?" UC Berkeley Linguistics Lunchbag Colloquium. September 25.
1986. "The present state of Loloish (Yi) studies in the United States." Talk presented at the Second International Workshop on the Lolo (Yi) Languages. University of Lund, Sweden. Nov. 11.
1986. "The Sino-Tibetan Etymological Dictionary project." Public lecture in connection with the Second International Workshop on the Lolo (Yi) Languages. University of Lund, Sweden. November 12.
1986. "*Sur la piste de l'Austro-Tai: vers une reconstruction des initiales et des tons du Proto-Hlai (Proto-Li).*" Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (Laboratoire de Langues et Civilisations à Tradition Orale), Paris. November 21.
1986. "Recent developments in the study of China's minority languages." UC Berkeley Center for Chinese Studies. December 3.
1987. (in Japanese) "*Nihongo to Chibetto-Biruma shogo to no kanren.*" ["On the relationship between Japanese and Tibeto-Burman"] Talk presented at the Symposium on the Linguistic Affiliations of Japanese, National Museum of Ethnology, Osaka. January 21.
1987. "The Sino-Tibetan Etymological Dictionary and Thesaurus Project -- can we reconstruct meanings as well as sounds?" Southeast Asia Colloquium, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. April 9.
1987. "Jiburish revisited: tonal splits and heterogenesis in Burmo-Naxi-Lolo checked syllables." 20th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics. University of British Columbia, Vancouver. August 22.

1988. "Cis-Yangtzean China as part of the Southeast Asian linguistic area." Panel organized by Prof. Wilhelm G. Solheim, on the Prehistory of South China. 40th Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, San Francisco. March 26.
1988. "Prefixal unpredictability and polygenesis of tone in Tibeto-Burman." Second Spring Workshop on Theory and Method in Linguistic Reconstruction. University of Pittsburgh. April 1.
1988. "Languages and cultures of Southeast Asia." Outreach talk, College of the Sequoias, Visalia, CA. [with Eric Crystal and Kao Ta] April 21.
1988. "Areal and universal dimensions of grammaticalization in Lahu." Symposium on Grammaticalization, University of Oregon, Eugene. May 13.
1988. (in Japanese) *"Toonan Azia no hikakuteki na gengogaku to watakushi."* ["Southeast Asian Comparative Linguistics and I"] Kobe Foreign Languages University (Koobe Gaidai). July 5.
1988. "Problems in Loloish lexicography." Third Burmese-Yipho (Lolo-Burmese) Workshop, 21st International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics." University of Lund (Sweden), October 6.
1988. "Introducing STEDT: the Sino-Tibetan Etymological Dictionary and Thesaurus project." 21st International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, University of Lund (Sweden), October 8.
1988. "Toward a gentler, kinder sort of etymological dictionary: 1000 points of light and the STEDT project." Alternative title: "The Sino-Tibetan Etymological Dictionary: shifting into second gear." UC Berkeley Linguistics Department Colloquium. October 18.
1989. "Bulging monosyllables: areal tendencies in Southeast Asian diachrony." 15th Annual Meeting of the Berkeley Linguistics Society, Parasession on Theoretical Issues in Language Reconstruction. February 19.
1989. "Palatal suffixes in Tibeto-Burman." Southeast Asia and the Pacific Organization Meeting, U.C. Berkeley. May 27.
- 1989. June: Lectures at EHESS, Paris. See below.**
1989. "Toward a Eurasian bestiary: the otter and the jackal." 22nd International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics. University of Hawaii, Honolulu. October 6.
1989. "The three palatal suffixes of Sino-Tibetan." Keynote address, 22nd International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics. University of Hawaii, Honolulu. October 8.
1989. "Fighting words: the nature and effects of verbal abuse." Presented at a panel organized by the Dean of Student Life, Multicultural Action Team, and Student Activities and Services, in conjunction with the ASUC and Graduate Assembly, UC Berkeley. October 18.
1989. "On megalocomparison: Greenberg and Benedict compared." Department of Anthropology Colloquium, University of California, Davis. December 6.
1990. "Creating an etymological database: an anecdotal progress report on the Sino-Tibetan Etymological Dictionary and Thesaurus (STEDT) project." U.C. Santa Barbara Linguistics Department Colloquium. February 7.
1990. "The three palatal suffixes of Sino-Tibetan." Third Spring Workshop on Theory and Method in Linguistic Reconstruction. University of Pittsburgh. April 6.

1990. (in Lahu) "Lâhū Dīŕšōnēli ve ò-lò." ["About the *Dictionary of Lahu* "] First Baptist Church, Visalia, CA. June 5.
1990. "Etymologizing monosyllables: Headaches in the compilation of the Sino-Tibetan Etymological Dictionary and Thesaurus." Keynote address, Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas (Summer Meeting). Vancouver, B.C. August 15.
1990. "Cognate grading and other desiderata for Lolo-Burmese Studies." Fourth Burmese-Yipho Workshop, 23rd International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics. University of Texas, Arlington. Oct. 3.
1990. "The linguist's dilemma: l/d interchange in Sino-Tibetan." 23rd International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics. University of Texas, Arlington. October 6.
1990. "The relationship between empirical and theoretical linguistics." [*De relatie tussen empirische en theoretische taalwetenschap*] Symposium to celebrate the opening of the Institute for Descriptive and Comparative Linguistics, University of Leiden (Netherlands). November 7.
1990. "Etymologizing monosyllables: Headaches in the compilation of the Sino-Tibetan Etymological Dictionary and Thesaurus." Institute for Descriptive and Comparative Linguistics, University of Leiden. November 8.
1991. "The mother of all morphemes: *big mama* in Sino-Tibetan and elsewhere." First Annual Conference, Southeast Asian Linguistics Society (SEALS). Wayne State University, Detroit. May 10.
1991. (in Chinese) "*Tán Yǐ-Miǎn, Nàxī, Jǐngphō chāo-yǔzhī lì shēngdiào fāshēng dānyuán huò duōyuán de wèntí.*" [On the problem of monogenesis vs. polygenesis in Lolo-Burmo-Naxi-Jingpho tonal developments] Fifth International Yi-Burmese (Lolo-Burmese) Conference, Xichang, Sichuan, China. August 2.
1991. "New goals for Sino-Tibetan linguistics." Keynote address, presented at 24th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics. Ramkhamhaeng University, Bangkok. October 7.
1991. "*Mother and child*: augmentatives and diminutives in areal and universal perspective." Invited speaker at the 24th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Providence Hotel, Chiang Mai, Thailand. October 10.
1992. "My recent trips to Yunnan and Thailand." Slideshow and talk presented at 8th Annual Southeast Asia Education Faire, Sacramento City College. March 21, 9:45 A.M.
1992. "Areal features of Southeast Asian languages." Talk presented at 8th Annual Southeast Asia Education Faire, Sacramento City College. March 21, 1:30 P.M.
1992. "Following the Marrow: two parallel Sino-Tibetan etymologies." Fourth Spring Workshop on Theory and Method in Linguistic Reconstruction, University of Pittsburgh. March 28.
1992. [*same talk as preceding*] Second Annual Meeting, Southeast Asian Linguistics Society, Arizona State University, Tempe. May 15.
1992. "On the 'regularity' of Sino-Tibetan sound correspondences." 25th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, UC Berkeley. October 15.
1992. "Chinese and Tibeto-Burman." Guest lecture, Department of Asian Languages and Literature, University of Washington, Seattle. Dec.1, 10:30-11:20 A.M.

1992. "Southwest China and Southeast Asia: ethnology, history, and archeology." Guest seminar lecture, Department of Anthropology, University of Washington, Seattle. Dec. 1, 1:30-3:30 P.M.
1993. "Sangkong of Yunnan: secondary verb pronominalization in Southern Loloish." Third Annual Meeting, Southeast Asian Linguistics Society (SEALS), University of Hawaii. May 7.
1993. Panel discussions on "Sino-Austronesian" (May 10) and "Austric" (May 13). Conference on Asia-Mainland/Austronesian Connections (CAMAC), University of Hawaii.
1993. "Regularity and variation in Sino-Tibetan." Keynote address for the panel discussion on "Problems and progress in Sino-Tibetan linguistics." 26th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, National Museum of Ethnology, Osaka, Japan. Sept. 13.
1993. "On departing from verb-final word order." 26th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, National Museum of Ethnology, Osaka, Japan. Sept. 15.
1993. "Sangkong of Yunnan: secondary verb pronominalization in Southern Loloish." 26th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, National Museum of Ethnology, Osaka, Japan. Sept. 18.
1994. "Issues in the reconstruction of the Sino-Tibetan numerals." Fifth Spring Workshop on Theory and Method in Linguistic Reconstruction, University of Pittsburgh. April 8.
1994. Four lectures on Sino-Tibetan linguistics. Australian Linguistic Institute, La Trobe University, Melbourne. July 5, 7, 12, 14.
1994. "Sino-Tibetan palatal suffixes revisited." 27th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Paris. October 14.
1994. "Sino-Tibetan numerals and the play of prefixes." Guest lecture sponsored by the National Science Council (Guokehui), Academia Sinica, Taipei. December 14.
1994. "Palatal suffixes in Sino-Tibetan." Guest lecture sponsored by the National Science Council (Guokehui), Academia Sinica, Taipei. December 16.
1995. "Southeast Asian linguistics in the 21st century and beyond." Luncheon keynote speech (humorous), Fifth Annual Meeting, Southeast Asian Linguistics Society (SEALS), University of Arizona, Tucson. May 20.
1995. "Primary and secondary laryngeal initials in Sino-Tibetan." Fifth Annual Meeting, Southeast Asian Linguistics Society (SEALS), University of Arizona, Tucson. May 21.
1995. "Pushing the envelope of Sino-Tibetan reconstruction: historical and areal phonosemantics." Paper presented at round-table "Pushing Back the Limits of Linguistic Prehistory: Methods, Tools, and Results." University of California, Berkeley. June 23.
1995. "Aspects of aspect, with special reference to Lahu and Hebrew." Symposium on Time and Language (Jikan to Kotoba), National Museum of Ethnology, Osaka. November 1.
1995. "Problems in the reconstruction of monosyllabic languages." Tsing Hua National University, Hsinchu, Taiwan, R.O.C. November 20.
1996. "Typology, genetic relationship, and scales of comparison." Keynote address, in panel *Directions for Future Research in East and Southeast Asian Linguistics*. Pan-Asiatic Linguistics: Fourth International Symposium on Languages and Linguistics, Bangkok. January 8.

1996. Lâhū lî?-hê-pā gɛ *Diʔshoneli* ve ò-lo nà?-ú te dà? ve. [Talking with Lahu students about *The Dictionary of Lahu*.] Myanmar Institute of Theology (M.I.T.), Insein, Rangoon. January 13. [check date]
1996. "Problems in the reconstruction of monosyllabic languages." Department of English Seminar Series, University of Hong Kong. January 16.
1996. "The study of language: contact-induced change, genetic relationship, and scales of comparison." University of Hong Kong/Linguistic Society of Hong Kong public lecture. January 17.
1996. "Contact-induced change, genetic relationship, and scales of comparison." Linguistics Discussion Group (Yuyanxue Jianglunhui), Institute of History and Philology, Academia Sinica, Taipei. February 5.
1996. Workshop (Taolunhui) on the Qiangic family of languages. Institute of History and Philology, Academia Sinica, Taipei. February 14.
1996. "Tianya diaocha he Zang-Mian yuzhi yanjiu de xianzhuang." [Fieldwork and the present state of research into Tibeto-Burman languages]. Yunnan Minzu Xueyuan (Yunnan Institute of Nationalities), Kunming. March 12.
1996. "Lahu-yu de gelei yinbiao." [The various phonemic transcriptions of Lahu]. Minwei (Minzu Weiyuan) [Committee on Nationalities], Kunming. March 18.
1996. Lâhū lî?-mā-pā lɛ lî?-hê-pā gɛ nà?-ú te dà? ve: (1) mî-gɛ qhō ve Lâhū-yâ (2) nà Lâhū-khō hê jō ve ò-lo (3) Lâhū-khō qhà-qhe te ɪ-la-mu-la phê? tù te le [Talking with Lahu teachers and students: (1) Lahu communities of the world (2) How I came to study Lahu (3) How to assure a bright future for Lahu.] Minwei, Kunming. March 19.
- [1996. "Chibetto-Biruma gozoku no kenkyuu ni okeru genchi choosa no yakuwari." [The role of fieldwork in research on the Tibeto-Burman family] Linguistic Society of Japan, Reitaku University, Tokyo. June 15. **[cancelled]**]
1996. "Mary Haas' work on Thai." Mary Haas Memorial Session, *Hokan, Penutian, and J. P. Harrington Conferences*, U.C. Berkeley. June 28.
1996. "Dayang Pumi phonology and adumbrations of comparative Qiangic." 29th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Noordwijkerhout, Netherlands. October 13.
1996. "Contact-induced change, genetic relationship, and scales of comparison." Linguistics Department Seminar, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. November 12.
1996. "Dayang Pumi phonology and comparative Qiangic." University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. November 15.
1996. "The sounds of language and how we write them." English Language Program, University Extension, U.C. Berkeley. December 11.
1997. "Pumi of Yunnan: sibilant hypertrophy and tonal unpredictability, with adumbrations of comparative Qiangic." Berkeley Linguistics Colloquium. February 24.
1997. "Vowels and feature shuffling in monosyllabic languages." Mini-symposium on *Vowels as victims and perpetrators of phonetic variation*. Phonology Laboratory, U.C. Berkeley. **April**.
1997. "Wedge issues." 7th Annual Meeting, Southeast Asian Linguistic Society (SEALS), University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana. **May**.

1997. "Yòng xiēzi qiào kāi wèntí." [Using a wedge to pry open a problem.] Paper presented at Minorities University (Minzu Daxue), Beijing. June 3rd.
1997. "Paul K. Benedict, 1912-1997: in memoriam." Presented at 30th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Language and Culture University (Yuyan Wenhua Daxue), Beijing. August 24.
1997. "Issues in the subgrouping of Tibeto-Burman in the post-Benedict era." Paper presented at 30th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Language and Culture University (Yuyan Wenhua Daxue), Beijing. August 24.
1997. "The sounds of language and how we write them." English Language Program, University Extension, U.C. Berkeley. Same talk as 1996. **Find date.**
1998. "Preparing linguistically for the new millennium, or, How to *score* the twenties." Linguistics Department Graduation keynote speech. May 22.
1998. "An extrusional approach to *p-/w- variation in Sino-Tibetan." Keynote speech, Sixth International Symposium on Chinese Languages and Linguistics. Academia Sinica, Taipei. July 14.
1998. "Contact-induced change, genetic relationship, and scales of comparison." Workshop on Areal Diffusion and the Genetic Model of Linguistic Relationship. Research Centre for Linguistic Typology, Australian National University, Canberra. (Different from 2/5/96 and 11/12/96.) August 20.
1998. "Introduction to the STEDT project." U.C. Berkeley Linguistics Project Festival. Berkeley Linguistics Colloquium. September 21.
1998. "An extrusional approach to *p-/w- variation in Sino-Tibetan." 31st International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics. Lund University, Sweden. October 2. Same talk as 7/14/98.
1998. "Yakov Malkiel: in memoriam." U.C. Berkeley Memorial Service. November 15.
1998. "The sounds of language and how we write them." English Language Program, University Extension, U.C. Berkeley. Same talk as 1996, 1997. November 18.
1998. "Tibeto-Burman tonogenesis in an areal context." *Symposium on Cross-linguistic Studies of Tonal Phenomena*. Tokyo University of Foreign Studies. December 10.
1999. "What makes the languages of the East/Southeast Asian area so special?" Public Lecture, City University of Hong Kong. June 10.
1999. "A typology of Tibeto-Burman tonal systems." Department of Chinese, Translation, and Linguistics & The Language Information Sciences Research Centre, City University of Hong Kong. June 14.
1999. "On the uselessness of glottochronology for the subgrouping of Tibeto-Burman." *Symposium on Time Depth in Historical Linguistics*, McDonald Institute for Archaeological Research, Cambridge University. Aug. 21.
1999. "The interest of Zhangzhung for comparative Tibeto-Burman." *Symposium on New Horizons in Bon Studies*, National Museum of Ethnology, Osaka. August 27.
1999. "On 'Sino-Bodic' and other symptoms of neosubgroupitis." 32nd International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana. October 29.

1999. "A modest start towards the sorting of materials for the reconstruction of Proto-Qiangic." *Workshop on Qiangic Languages and Linguistics*, Academia Sinica, Taipei. November 6.
2000. "The sounds of language and how we write them." (Same talk as above.) English Language Program, University Extension, U.C. Berkeley. February 23.
2000. "An extrusional approach to *p-/w- variation in Sino-Tibetan." Eighth Spring Workshop on Theory and Method in Historical Reconstruction, University of Pittsburgh. March 31.
2000. "Glossonymic gamesmanship: what's in a language name?" 10th Annual Meeting of the Southeast Asian Linguistic Society (SEALS X), University of Wisconsin, Madison. May 5.
2000. "Three TB/ST word families: set (of the sun); pheasant/peacock; scatter/pour." 10th Annual Meeting of the Southeast Asian Linguistic Society (SEALS X), University of Wisconsin, Madison. May 6.
2000. "The present state of PST/PTB reconstruction: can we even write a fable in Proto-Lolo-Burmese?" 33rd International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Ramkhamhaeng University, Bangkok. Keynote address. October 2.
2000. "Tibeto-Burman tonology in an areal context." Fifth International Symposium on Languages and Linguistics: Pan-Asiatic Linguistics. Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. November 16.
2001. "Phonosemantic problems in Sino-Tibetan/Tibeto-Burman bodypart etymologies." International Conference on Linguistic Data Structures, University of Tübingen. February 22.
2001. "Is there such a thing as areal semantics, and if so, can we distinguish between plausible and implausible semantic change/associations in the Southeast Asian linguistic area?" Workshop on Tibeto-Burman Languages and Linguistics, Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute, U.C. Santa Barbara. July 28.
2001. "Current trends in Sino-Tibetan linguistics." Institutionen för Östasiatiska Språk [Dept. of East Asian Languages], University of Lund. September 5.
2001. "Is there such a thing as areal semantics, and if so, can we distinguish between plausible and implausible semantic change/associations in the Southeast Asian linguistic area?" Workshop on Language Change in the Tibeto-Burman Area, 7th Himalayan Languages Symposium, Uppsala University. September 10.
2001. "Psycho-ostensive expressions in Yiddish." Centre for Multiethnic Research, Uppsala University. September 10.
2001. "La linguistique aréale et génétique en Asie du Sud-est: comment désenchevêtrer les fils?" Langues et Cultures à Tradition Orale (LACITO), Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS), Villejuif, Paris. September 14.
2001. "Sur la typologie des associations sémantiques: idiosyncratiques, aréales, universelles." LACITO, CNRS, Villejuif, Paris. September 18.
2001. "The history of the Sino-Tibetan Conferences, 1968-2001." Delivered as part of the Opening Ceremonies of the 34th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Kunming. October 24.
2001. "On the genetic position of Bai within Tibeto-Burman." 34th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Kunming. October 24.

2001. "Is there such a thing as areal semantics?" Keynote address, translated simultaneously into Chinese by Jackson Tian-shin Sun. 34th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Kunming. October 27.
2002. "Issues in Sino-Tibetan/Tibeto-Burman tonology: the importance of East and Southeast Asia for a general theory of tones." Workshop on Tone and Tonogenesis, Schloss Freudental, Konstanz, Germany. March 20-24.
2002. "Is there such a thing as areal semantics; and if so, can we distinguish between plausible and implausible semantic change/associations in the Southeast Asian linguistic area?" Ninth Spring Workshop on Theory and Method in Historical Reconstruction, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. April 5-8.
2002. "The *Handbook of Proto-Tibeto-Burman*." 35th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Arizona State University, Tempe. Nov. 9.
2003. "Standard methods for establishing genetic relationship of languages." Panel "Historical linguistics: alive or dead?" American Association for the Advancement of Science, Denver. Feb. 15.
2003. Commencement address, Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures, University of California, Berkeley. May 18.
2003. "East and Southeast Asia as a linguistic area." Linguistics Department Colloquium, Rice University (Houston). Oct. 16.
2003. Leader of discussion of John McWhorter, *The Power of Babel*. Chez George Turin, Berkeley. Oct. 28.
2003. "Areal semantics: is there such a thing?" Mahidol University, Bangkok. Nov. 12.
2003. "On etymological responsibility." 36th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, La Trobe University, Melbourne. Nov. 28.
2004. "East and Southeast Asian areal features: in search of "Asian-ness." UCLA Linguistics Department Colloquium. Los Angeles. Feb. 20.
2004. "The place of Xixia (Tangut) in the Qiangic subgroup of Tibeto-Burman." 10th Spring Workshop on Theory and Method in Linguistic Reconstruction. Ann Arbor, MI. March 26.
2004. "Shi tan Xixiyu zai Qiang yuzhi li de diwei." [Chinese version of preceding talk] 3rd. Bicoastal Trilocal Workshop on Tibeto-Burman Linguistic Research (Di san jie, Liang-An-San-Di Zang-Mian-yuzhi yuyan yanjiu taohui). City University of Hong Kong. April 17-18.
2004. "La place du Xixia (Tangoute) dans la branche qianguique du tibéto-birman." [French version of preceding talk] Séminaire Introduction à l'étude des langues tibéto-birmanes, Université de Paris-3/LACITO, et Programme Nord-sud Himalaya. June 1.
2004. "Much *Adu* about something: extrusional labiovelars in a Northern Yi patois." 37th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, University of Lund. October 1.
2004. "Minority languages of China." Society of Hong Kong and Chinese Affairs, U.C. Berkeley. Oct. 20.
2004. (in Japanese) Speech delivered at opening reception for the Fourth International Symposium on Cross-Linguistic Studies of Tonal Phenomena. Institute for the Study of Languages and Cultures of Asia and Africa, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies. Dec. 14. To appear in a volume on Translation by Yoko Hasegawa.

2004. "Comment on Tadahiko Shintani, 'Austroasiatic tone languages of the Tai cultural area'." Fourth International Symposium on Cross-Linguistic Studies of Tonal Phenomena. Institute for the Study of Languages and Cultures of Asia and Africa, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies. Dec. 16.
- 2005. Lectures on Southeast Asian Linguistics, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok. January. /See below/**
2005. "My career in Southeast Asian linguistics: a series of accidents." Payap University, Chiang Mai. Feb. 3.
2005. Panelist, Symposium on *Mathematical Modeling and Analysis of Language Diversification*. Program for Evolutionary Dynamics, Harvard University. March 21.
2005. "Syllable structure and syllable structure change in Southeast Asia." [Dongnan-ya yuyan li de yinjie jigou ji qi yanbian] In Chinese. Fudan University, Shanghai. Oct. 20.
2005. "Some semantic and morphological problems concerning Tibeto-Burman prefixes." [Zang-Mian yuyan li de qianzhui: jige yuyi, xingtai fangmian de wenti] In Chinese. Shanghai Normal University. Oct. 21.
2005. "Parallel grammaticalizations in East and Southeast Asian languages." [Dong-ya he Dong-nan-ya yuyan li jizhong pingxing de yufahua xianxiang] In Chinese. Zhejiang University, Hangzhou. Oct. 24.
2005. "Areal and universal issues in plant and animal nomenclature." [Diyuxing he quanqiuxing de dongzhiwu mingming you guan wenti] In English. 38th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Xiamen University. Oct. 28.
2006. "Areal and universal issues in plant and animal nomenclature." Paper presented at 11th Spring Workshop on Theory and Method in Linguistic Reconstruction. Ann Arbor, MI. April 7.
2006. "Where do we go from here?" Paper presented at Pre-Conference Workshop, *The Current State of Sino-Tibetan/Tibeto-Burman Reconstruction*, 39th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, University of Washington, Seattle. Sept. 14.
2006. "Stable roots in Sino-Tibetan/Tibeto-Burman." Paper presented at 39th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, University of Washington, Seattle. Sept. 16.
2007. "Morphological elaboration and syntactic parallelism in Lahu religious poetry." Linguistics Department Colloquium, University of California, Santa Barbara. February 1st.
2007. "Morphological elaboration and syntactic parallelism in Lahu religious poetry." Southeast Asia Program Colloquium, Cornell University. March 1st.
2007. "Current developments in Southeast Asian studies." Forum lecture at Institute of Language and Culture for Rural Development, Mahidol University, Nakorn Pathom, Thailand. Sept. 19.
2007. "Forty years of Sino-Tibetan studies: 1968-2007." Keynote address, 40th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Heilongjiang University, Harbin, China. To appear in *Kexue Yuyan* in Chinese translation as "*Han-Zang yuyan yanjiu sishi nian: 1968-2007*". Sept. 27.
2007. "The fate of the Proto-Lolo-Burmese rhyme *-a: regularity and exceptions." Paper presented at 40th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Heilongjiang University, Harbin, China. Sept. 28.

2007. (in Chinese) Address at the closing ceremony of the 40th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Heilongjiang University, Harbin, China. Sept. 29.
2007. (in Chinese) "*Han-Zang yuxi yuyan yu zhoubian yuyan de guanxi, yiji Han-Zang yuxi yuyan neibu de guanxi.*" [Sino-Tibetan internal and external relationships] Lecture presented at the Central University of Nationalities (*Zhongyang Minzu Daxue*), Beijing. Oct. 10.
2007. (in Chinese) "*Yi yuzhi, beibu fangyan, beibu cifangyan, Adu tuyu zhong de suowei chunshigen shengmu xilie.*" [Much Adu about something: extrusional labiovelars in a Northern Yi patois] Lecture presented at Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (*Zhongguo Shehui Kexue Yuan*), Beijing. Oct. 23.
2007. (in Chinese) "*Yuanshi Yi-Mian-yu *-a yun de mingyun: guize yu liwai.*" Lecture presented at the Central University of Nationalities (*Zhongyang Minzu Daxue*), Beijing. Delivered in Chinese, based partly on the translation by Wang Feng of "The fate of the Proto-Lolo-Burmese rhyme **-a*: regularity and exceptions." Oct. 25.

LECTURE SERIES ABROAD

1983. Lecture tour of China. (April-May) 13 lectures on "*Sino-Tibetan linguistics: relationships between Chinese and Southeast Asian languages.*" In English, interpreted by Zhao Yansun and Hu Tan.

(Beijing) Chinese Academy of Social Sciences and Central Institute of Minority Nationalities.

(Chengdu) Sichuan Institute of Minority Nationalities.

(Kunming) Yunnan Institute of Minority Nationalities.

(Shanghai) Linguistic Circle of Shanghai.

1984. Lecture series. (May). Peking University, Beijing. Ten lectures on "*Comparative-historical research in Sino-Tibetan Linguistics.*" In Chinese.

1985. Lecture series (June). Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (EHESS), Paris.

June 5. "Sémantique historique et sémantique des aires."

June 14. "Le monosyllabisme tumescent."

June 21. "La théorie des familles de mots et la philosophie de la reconstruction historique."

June 26. "La concaténation verbale et le continuum de l'abstrait."

1989. Lecture series (June). Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (EHESS), Paris.

June 5 "Vers un bestiaire sino-tibétain: la loutre et le chacal."

June 12 "Grammaticalisation en Asie du Sud-Est: traits aréaux et caractères universels."

June 15 "Lexicalisation et lexicologie dans les langues monosyllabiques." [*This lecture was presented during a 2-day conference at EHESS called "Cinquièmes journées de linguistique de l'Asie Orientale"*]

June 19 "Les suffixes palataux en sino-tibétain."

1994. Lecture series (July). Australian Linguistic Institute, La Trobe University, Melbourne.

July 5, 7, 12, 14 Four lectures on Sino-Tibetan linguistics.

1994. Lecture series (December). Institute of History and Philology, Academia Sinica, Taipei.

1999. Lecture series (June). City University of Hong Kong.

June 10 "What makes the languages of the East/Southeast Asian area so special?"

June 14. "A typology of Tibeto-Burman tonal systems."

2001. Lecture series (September) Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, Villejuif, Paris.

Sept. 14. "La linguistique aréale et génétique en Asie du Sud-est: comment désenchevêtrer les fils?"

Sept. 18. "Sur la typologie des associations sémantiques: idiosyncratiques, aréales, universelles."

2005. Twelve Lectures on Southeast Asian Linguistics. Department of Linguistics, Faculty of Arts, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok. January.

2005. Lectures in China (Shanghai, Hangzhou, Xiamen). October. See above.

2007. Lectures in Beijing at Central University of Nationalities (Oct. 10, Oct. 25) and Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (Oct. 23). See above.