Alexey Koshevoy

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Laboratoire de Psychologie Cognitive, Aix-Marseille Universite

Marseille, France September 2022-...

PhD student (supervised by Olivier Morin and Isabelle Dautriche)

- Also affiliated with Institut Jean Nicod, ENS-PSL
- Thesis title: "Why do words mean what they mean? Generative inference for a causal understanding of the lexical organization."

VISITING POSITIONS

CIMeC, University of Trento

Trento, Südtirol, Italy

Visiting PhD student (sponsored by Jakub Szymanik)

Febrary 2024

- Stay covered by Collegio Clesio in exchange for one teaching session.

Centre for Language Evolution, University of Edinburgh

Edinburgh, Scotland, UK

Visiting PhD student (sponsored by Kenny Smith)

March 2023

EDUCATION

Ecole Normale Supérieure, PSL

Paris, France

Diplome de l'ENS (DENS) in Science

2019-2022

- Courses attended: the origin of concepts, deep learning, reference and meaning, probabilities in pragmatics and reasoning

Ecole Normale Superieure, PSL

Paris, France

M.Sc. in Cognitive Science, cum laude

2019-2021

- Major - linguistics

Higher School of Economics

Moscow, Russia

B.A. in Fundamental and Applied Linguistics

2015-2019

- Major - computational linguistics, minor - mathematics

Publications and Peer-reviewed conference proceedings

- [1] A. Koshevoy, I. Dautriche, O. Morin, and K. Smith, "Coordination, rather than pragmatics, shapes colexification when the pressure for efficiency is low.", *Proceedings of the 46th Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society*, 2024.
- [2] A. Koshevoy, I. Dautriche, and O. Morin, "Why do some words have more meanings than others? A true neutral model for the meaning-frequency correlation.", *Proceedings of the 45th Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society*, 2023.
- [3] A. Koshevoy, H. Miton, and O. Morin, "Zipf's Law of Abbreviation holds for individual characters across a broad range of writing systems", *Cognition*, vol. 238, p. 105527, 2023.

- [4] A. Koshevoy, A. Panova, and I. Makarchuk, "Building a Universal Dependencies Treebank for a Polysynthetic Language: the Case of Abaza", in *Proceedings of the Sixth Workshop on Universal Dependencies (UDW, GURT/SyntaxFest 2023)*, 2023, pp. 1–6.
- [5] M. Daniel, A. Koshevoy, I. Schurov, and N. Dobrushina, "Can recall data be trusted? Evaluating reliability of interview data on traditional multilingualism in highland Daghestan", *Field Methods*, vol. 34, no. 4, pp. 288–302, 2022.
- [6] A. Koshevoy, "Morphological causatives in Abaza", Higher School of Economics Research Paper No. WP BRP, vol. 75, 2018.

Additional training

- Introduction à la modelisation statistique bayésienne organized by Ladislas Nalborczyk Oct.-Nov., 2022
- Areal Linguistics and Languages of Russia organized by School of Linguistics (HSE)

 August, 2018
- Typology and Lexicon (TyLex) Summer School organized by School of Linguistics (HSE), August, 2017 Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Stockholm University

TEACHING

• Trento University, Collegio Clesio
Intro to data-drive linguistics (invited lecture)

Feb. 2024

• Aix-Marseille University, Master in Cognitive Science

Efficient communication and the organisation of the lexicon (invited lecture and tutorial)

Oct. 2023

Presentations

Invited presentations

- CiMEC seminar Trento, Italy
 - How cultural evolution and artificial languages can shed light on the origins of linguistic ambiguity?

2024

- The evolution of cognitive technologies workshop Leipzig, Germany
- When eleven does not equal 11: Investigating exactness at a number's upper bound (discussion of the paper by I.

 Noveck et al.)

 2023

Conferences & workshops

- Computational Humanities Research 2023 Paris, France
 - Slovotvir: a natural experiment in word replacement (poster).

2023

- Internal and external pressures shaping language Ljubljana, Slovenia
 - Can pramgatic reasoning explain the pressure for efficiency in communication?

2023

- Cognitive Science Society Meeting Sydney, Australia (Online)
 - Why do some words have more meanings than others? A true neutral model for the meaning-frequency correlation (poster).
- Efficiency principles in non-linguistic information transmission workshop Leipzig, Germany Efficiency principles in different modalities: writing systems and natural languages.

2023

- Evolution, Cognition and Culture Saint-Jacut-de-la-Mer, France
 - Zipf's Law of Abbreviation holds for individual characters across a broad range of writing systems

2022

- EVOLANG Okinawa, Japan (Online)
 - Frequency and character complexity in 27 writing systems

2022

- Evolution and Social Cognition group seminar Paris, France (Online)
 - Frequency and character complexity in 27 writing systems

2021

•	54th Annual Meeting of the Societas Linguistica Europaea– Athens, Greece (Online) Language altitude and language size (joint work with M. Daniel)	2021
•	LIFT 2020 – Paris, France (Online) Tutorial: From Elan to Universal Dependencies (in English)	2020
•	Digital Humanities and Modern Knowledge (ConCort) – HSE, Niznij Novgorod, Russia Topological data analysis and text classification (in English)	2018
•	XV Conference on Typology and Grammar for Young Researchers – ILS RAS, Saint-Petersbourg Russia Causatives in Abaza: event structure (in Russian)	g, 2018
•	Anthropology. Folklore studies. Sociolinguistics. – EU, Saint-Petersbourg, Russia Variability of possessive markers in modern Russian (in Russian)	2018
•	DIALOGUE – RSUH, Moscow, Russia Lingcorpora: creating API for corpora (student poster session, in Russian)	2017

Skills Languages

- Programming: Python (Scikit-Learn, Numpy, PyTorch, transformers, BayesFlow, Flask), R (ggplot2, lme4, igraph, brms), Julia, SQL, shell, git, JavaScript, HTML, CSS
- Editing: LATEX, markdown, pandoc, MS Office
- Software: Praat, ELAN, RStudio, PyCharm, Jupyter, VS Code, ChatGPT, GitHub Copilot
- Russian: native speaker
- English: fluent (CAE C2)
- French: fluent
- German: basic communication skills

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Max Planck Society Ph.D. scholarship (1200€), Max Planck Institute for Geoanthropology January 2023–April 2023
- Contrat Doctoral Specifique Normalien (72.000€), ENS Paris

September 2022–August 2025

• International Selection Scholarship (36.000€), ENS Paris

September 2019–August 2022

• Increased State Academic Scholarship, Higher School of Economics

January 2019–June 2019

• Laureate of the student's research paper competition (5th place)¹, Higher School of Economics

es December 2018

Academic Service

- Reviewer: Cognitive Science Society conference, Open Mind
- Co-ogranizer of the "Efficiency principles in non-linguistic information transmission" workshop (MPI-EVA, Leipzig, Germany)

Projects

- Abaza treebank (Universal Dependencies treebank)
 Universal Dependencies treebank for Abaza (Nortwest Caucasian). Worked on automatic conversion from ELAN to
 CoNLL-U format. Joint work with A. Panova and I. Makarchuk.
- lingcorpora (Python package)
 Package providing API for different online linguistic corpora. Contributor and maintainer.
 Now maintained by E. Gerasimenko and A. Kopetsky.

¹Awarded for the term-paper 'Topological data analysis and text classification' (supervised by George Moroz)