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Research Areas

General: Neurolinguistics; Psycholinguistics; Semantics; Morphosyntax; Cognitive Neuroscience; Neurotypology

Specific: Tense-Aspect-Mood/Modality; Sentence processing; Understudied languages (non-WEIRD languages); Individual differences (bilinguals, translators and interpreters)

Affiliation

Academia Sinica

INSTITUTE OF LINGUISTICS

Postdoctoral scholar position in linguistics and neurolinguistics
(Academia Sinica Postdoctoral Scholar Program)

TAIPEI, TAIWAN

Jul 2022 – now

Education

National Taiwan Normal University

PH.D. IN LINGUISTICS AND NEUROLINGUISTICS

Dissertation title: “Bridging TIME in language and in the brain: Insights from Mandarin Chinese”

Recipient of the *Linguistic Society of Taiwan Thesis of the Year Award 2022*

Supervisors:

Chan Shiahui (National Taiwan Normal University)

Elizabeth Zeitoun (Academia Sinica)

Committee members:

Lin Jo-Wang (Academia Sinica)

Chen Jenn-Yeu (National Taiwan Normal University)

Lee Chia-Lin (National Taiwan University)

Li Jen-I (National Taiwan Normal University)

Dissertation defended January 13, 2022 (A+)

TAIPEI, TAIWAN

2017 – 2022

Université Paris 7 Denis Diderot

MA IN LINGUISTICS

Subfield: Teaching French as a Foreign Language

Thesis title: “The syntactic and semantic properties of the structure ‘you + VP’ in Taiwan Mandarin: An experimental approach”

Supervisor: Barbara Hemforth (Université de Paris)

PARIS, FRANCE

2015 – 2017

Publications & Communications

Journal articles (* = corresponding author)

Collart, A.*, and Su, H.-K. (2022). Encoding the existence of an event with ‘you (to have) + VP’ in Taiwan Mandarin: A corpus-based investigation. *Concentric: Studies in Linguistics*, 48(2), 249–284. [THCI Level 1]

Fan, C. D., **Collart, A.**, and Chan S.* (2022). When two languages are competing: An ERP study on sentence processing in expert and novice interpreters. *Interpreting*, 24(1), 1–37. [SSCI/AHCI, IF = 1.864]

Collart, A.*, and Chan, S.* (2021). Processing past time reference in a tenseless language: An ERP study on the Mandarin aspectual morphemes *-le* and *-guo*. *Journal of Neurolinguistics*, 59, Article 100998. [SCI/SSCI, IF = 1.710]

Book chapters (peer-reviewed) (* = corresponding author)

Collart, A.* (accepted). Experimental linguistics embracing linguistic diversity: On the contributions of Formosan languages to models of sentence processing. In P. Li, E. Zeitoun, & R. De Busser (Eds.), *Handbook of Formosan languages: The indigenous languages of Taiwan* (pp. ??-??), Leiden: Brill

Manuscripts

- Submitted

Collart, A.*, and Zeitoun, E. (under review). Past and future time reference processing teased apart in Paiwan, a non-LOL language.

Collart, A.*, and Wu J. J. (under review). Retrospective of indigenous language teaching and beyond: The race against time.

- In preparation

Collart, A. (under revision). Time reference, Mandarin aspect marker *-le*, and the brain: A tenseless analysis. (Working title)

Collart, A. (in preparation). Linguistic diversity meeting the brain: Towards a neurotypological model of sentence processing of the expression of time. (Working title)

Collart, A. and Chan, S. (in preparation). Processing past time and aspect in the Mandarin brain: What is it all about? (Working title)

Chan, S., **Collart, A.**, Chang, I., & Hu, S. (in preparation). Linguistic relativity: Modulation of classifiers on object perception. (Working title)

Su, H.-K., and **Collart, A.** (in preparation). Applying random forests analyses on emerging syntactic constructions: The case of ‘you (to have) + VP’ in Taiwan Mandarin. (Working title)

Presentations

- **Past peer-reviewed conference presentations**

Collart, A. (2022, October). Processing past time reference, but which one? An ERP study on the Mandarin Chinese morphemes *guo*₁ and *guo*₂ with definite and indefinite time adverbs. Paper presented at the *Linguistic Evidence 2022*. Université de Paris, Paris, France. (talk)

Collart, A. & Zeitoun, E. (2022, September). Processing past time reference is harder than future time reference: Evidence from Paiwan, a mood-prominent language. Paper presented at the *28th Architectures and Mechanisms for Language Processing (AMLaP 28)*. University of York, York, United Kingdom. (poster)

Collart, A. & Chan, S. (2021, November). Processing past time and discontinuity aspect: Event-related potentials reveal different neuronal brain responses elicited by the Mandarin verbal morpheme *-guo*. Paper presented at the *3rd International Conference on Theoretical East Asian Psycholinguistics (ICTEAP-3)*. National Tsing Hua University, Hsinchu, Taiwan. (talk)

Collart, A. (2020, November). Aspect of pasts in Mandarin: An ERP study on the temporal restriction of the perfectives *-le* and *-guo*. Paper presented at the *21st National Conference on Linguistics (NCL-21)*. National Sun Yat-sen University, Kaohsiung, Taiwan. (poster)

Collart, A. (2020, October). The temporal constraints of *le*₁ revisited. Paper presented at the *13th Workshop on Formal Syntax and Semantics (FOSS-13)*. Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan. (poster)

Collart, A. and Chan, S. (2020, March). Not all the pasts are the same: An ERP study of the temporal constraints of the Mandarin aspectual markers *-le* and *-guo*. Paper presented at the *33rd CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing (CUNY-33)*. University of Massachusetts Amherst, Amherst (Massachusetts), USA. (Online presentation due to the COVID-19 outbreak) (poster)

Collart, A. (2019, October). Temporal relations electrified: An ERP study on the perfective marker *-le* in Mandarin Chinese. Paper presented at the *20th National Conference on Linguistics (NCL-20)*. National Chiao Tung University, Hsinchu, Taiwan. (talk)

Collart, A. and Chan, S. (2019, March). Aspect is distinct from time reference: An ERP study of the perfective marker *-le* in Mandarin Chinese. Paper presented at the *32nd CUNY*

Conference on Human Sentence Processing (CUNY-32). University of Colorado Boulder, Boulder (Colorado), USA. (poster)

Collart, A. (2018, October). Same interpretation, different process? The case of verbal *-le* and *you+VP* in Taiwan Mandarin. Paper presented at the *17th International Conference on the Processing of East Asian Languages and 9th Conference on Language, Discourse, and Cognition (joint conference ICPEAL 17 – CLDC 9)*. National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan. (talk)

Collart, A. (2018, May). When Time is a Fact: A Semantic and Time-Relational Analysis of ‘You + VP’ in Taiwan Mandarin. Paper presented at the *19th Chinese Lexical Semantics Workshop (CLSW-19)*. National Chung Cheng University, Chiayi, Taiwan. (talk)

- **Invited talks**

Collart, A. (2022, December). Le village paiwan de Tuban Tjuabal ou la croisée des chemins entre la linguistique de terrain et la linguistique expérimentale [The Paiwan village of Tuban Tjuabal or the crossroad between field linguistics and experimental linguistics]. Invited talk at the *Journées des jeunes chercheurs CEFC-EFEO*, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan.

Collart, A. (2022, November). Processing past time reference in a tenseless language: An ERP study on the Mandarin aspectual morphemes *-le* and *-guo*. Invited talk/lecture at the Institute of Linguistics, National Tsing Hua University, Hsinchu, Taiwan.

Collart, A. (2022, November). What can formal linguistics bring to neurolinguistics? Examples from temporal concord processing in Mandarin. Invited talk at the Department of English, National Taiwan Normal University, Taipei, Taiwan.

Collart, A. (2022, October). Towards an extended neurolinguistic model of the processing of TIME in Mandarin: Bridging linguistic analyses and neurocognitive. Invited talk as the recipient of the Linguistic Society of Taiwan Thesis of the Year Award at the *23rd National Conference on Linguistics (NCL-23)*, National Chengchi University, Taipei, Taiwan.

- **Conference presentation postponed due to the COVID-19 outbreak (abstract reviewed and accepted)**

Collart, A. & Chan, S. (TBA). Aspect, mood and time in Mandarin: ERPs reveal counter-evidence for discourse linking hypothesis. Paper to be presented at the *2nd Architectures and Mechanisms for Language Processing Asia (AMLaP Asia)*. Venue TBA, Macao, China. (Conference postponed due to the COVID-19 outbreak) (poster)

Non-academic communications

Collart, A. (2022, October). Series of interviews for the podcast *Taiwan dans toute sa diversité* [Taiwan in all its diversity], focus on two topics: The diversity of Formosan languages, and neurolinguistics in general. Radio Taiwan International, Taipei, Taiwan. <https://fr.rti.org.tw/radio/programView/id/1579>

Teaching experience

National Taiwan Normal University

NEUROLINGUISTICS LAB – DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

TAIPEI, TAIWAN

Summer 2021

Internship instructor

Content: (i) Basic concepts of experimental linguistics, (ii) design of an experiment, (iii) set-up of an experiment on Ibex Farm, (iv) preprocessing and analyses of the data with R

National Taiwan Normal University

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

TAIPEI, TAIWAN

Fall 2020

Teaching assistant

Tasks: (i) Training of the enrolled students for the collection of EEG data, (ii) workshop on the set-up of an online experiment with Ibex Farm, (iii) workshop on the processing and the analysis of data collected with Ibex Farm, (iv) workshop on the processing and statistical analyses of EEG/ERP data

National Taiwan Normal University

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

TAIPEI, TAIWAN

Spring 2020

Teaching assistant

Tasks: (i) Training of the enrolled students for the collection of EEG data, (ii) workshop on the set-up of an online experiment with Ibex Farm, (iii) workshop on the processing and the analysis of data collected with Ibex Farm, (iv) workshop on the processing and statistical analyses of EEG/ERP data

‘Chinois de France, Français de Chine’ organization

PARIS, FRANCE

Sep 2015 – Jun 2017

Mandarin Chinese instructor

Tasks: Teaching Mandarin Chinese to a French public. Beginner (HSK 1) and advanced (HSK 4) levels

Université Paris 7 Denis Diderot

DEPARTMENT OF EAST ASIAN LANGUAGES AND CIVILIZATIONS

PARIS, FRANCE

Sep 2014 – Jan 2016

Mandarin Chinese tutor

Tasks: Tutoring for freshman and sophomore students in the Chinese division of the Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations, assistance for their Mandarin Chinese learning and civilization courses

Mentoring

Chia-Hsing Rick Sung (Ph.D. student, National Chengchi University) 2020-2022
for an ERP project on the processing of swear words in Mandarin Chinese

Yi-Ting Silvia Yang (MA student, National Taiwan Normal University; currently Ph.D student at the *Basque Center on Cognition, Brain and Language*) for an ERP project on the processing of sarcastic jokes in English by native speakers and L2 learners 2021-2022

I-Chi Vicky Chang (MA student, National Taiwan Normal University) for an ERP project on classifiers in Mandarin Chinese and linguistic relativity 2020-2021

Shih-Chiang Johnny Hu (MA student, National Taiwan Normal University) for an ERP project on classifiers in Mandarin Chinese and linguistic relativity 2018-2019

Services

• *Reviewing*

Journals *Oceanic Linguistics* (2022)
Book chapters *Handbook of Formosan languages: The indigenous languages of Taiwan* (2022)
Conferences Human Sentence Processing (HSP) (2023)

• *Thesis committee*

Fu Jen Catholic University NEW TAIPEI, TAIWAN
DEPARTMENT OF FRENCH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE 2022

Student: Wang Chi-yao

Title: Apprendre les langues étrangères à Taïwan : Une comparaison des ressources pédagogiques du français et du puyuma
(*Learning foreign languages in Taiwan: A comparison of pedagogical resources of French and Puyuma*)

Past academic-related employments

National Taiwan Normal University TAIPEI, TAIWAN
DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH Aug 2018 – Jun 2022
Neurolinguistics Lab manager (PI: Chan Shiaohui)

Tasks:

- (1) Management of the Neurolinguistics Lab:
 - (a) maintenance of the lab's softwares and hardwares (computers, amplifier, etc.)
 - (b) management and division of tasks between other lab members
 - (c) update of the lab's website

(2) Progress of the projects of the Neurolinguistics Lab (in collaboration with the Ministry of Science and Technology):

- (a) collection of experiments' materials and their encoding in an E-Prime format
- (b) collection of fMRI and ERP data
- (c) preprocessing analyses of fMRI individual subjects
- (d) application and the extend of IRB (Institutional Review Board, Human Subjects Research Ethics approval by the Ministry of Science and Technology)

Projects: (a) "Revisiting classifier-noun pairing processing: the influence of classifier characteristics and individual differences" (MOST 106-2410-H-003-137-MY2), (b) "Conceptual systems and language: Neurolinguistic studies of hypernymy/hyponymy, toponymy and noun countability" (MOST 108-2410-H-003-020-MY3)

Hong Kong Baptist University

FACULTY OF ARTS

TAIPEI, TAIWAN

Aug 2019 – Jun 2022

Data collection assistant (PIs: Liu Min-hua (Hong Kong Baptist University), Fan Jiaming (National Taiwan University), García Adolfo (Universidad de San Andrés))

Tasks: Set-up of the experiments, data collection, data preprocessing

Project: *Assessing the scope of expertise-driven advantages in bilinguals: A comparison of interpreters and translators*, GRF, The Research Grants Council, Hong Kong (2019-2022)

Université Paris 7 Denis Diderot

DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS

PARIS, FRANCE

Jan 2016 – Jun 2016

Corpus annotation assistant (Supervisor: Soares-Jesel Carla (Université Paris 7 Denis Diderot))

Task: Annotation of a corpus of French Parisian children using the CLAN/CHILDES software

Université Paris 7 Denis Diderot

DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS

PARIS, FRANCE

Sep 2015 – Oct 2015

Administrative assistant

Tasks: Reception of new students' applications and orientation for students' class choices

Memberships

Phi Tau Phi Scholastic Honor Society of the Republic of China

Membership upon nomination based on academic performance and moral conduct

Linguistic Society of Taiwan (台灣語言學學會)

Grants & Awards

Linguistic Society of Taiwan Thesis of the Year Award 2022

Linguistic Society of Taiwan

Award allocated to the best Ph.D dissertation in linguistics of 2022
(includes conference travel grant, NTD\$30,000)

Subsidy for domestic scholars and experts to attend international academic conferences 2022

National Science and Technology Council (former Ministry of Science and Technology), Taiwan

Grant allocated to attend and present research output the Linguistic Evidence 2022 conference (MOST-109-2922-I-003-015, NTD\$80,000)

Academia Sinica grants for young scholars attending international academic conferences 2022

Academia Sinica, Taiwan

Grant allocated to attend and present research output the AMLaP 28 conference (語言字第 1116700577 號, NTD\$60,000)

Grant for Ph.D. Student 2021

Academia Sinica, Institute of Linguistics, Taiwan

One-year grant offered to Ph.D. students (NTD\$360,000)

International travel Grant 2020

Ministry of Science and Technology, Taiwan

Grant allocated to attend and present research output the CUNY-33 conference (MOST-109-2922-I-003-015, NTD\$43,500)

International travel Grant 2019

Ministry of Science and Technology, Taiwan

Grant allocated to attend and present research output the CUNY-32 conference (MOST-108-2922-I-003-010, NTD\$40,000)

Taiwan Scholarship Program 2017-2021

Ministry of Education, Taiwan

Four-year scholarship for conduction Ph.D. studies (NTD\$960,000)

NTNU International Student Scholarship 2017

National Taiwan Normal University, Taiwan

Scholarship declined in favor of the Taiwan Scholarship Program

International Travel Grant 2017

Université Paris 7 Denis Diderot, Labex EFL (Laboratoire de Linguistique Formelle), France

Grant allocated to collect EEG data at the Neurolinguistics Lab (National Taiwan Normal University, Taiwan; Euro €2,000)

Research and Practical Training Program Grant 2016

Ministry of Science and Technology, Taiwan

Grant allocated for attending a research internship during the Summer vacation (place of internship: Neurolinguistics Lab, National Taiwan Normal University, Taiwan; NTD\$50,000)

Huayu Enrichment Scholarship 2015

Ministry of Education, Taiwan

Scholarship granted for Mandarin Chinese class (NTD\$50,000)

Price of Student Involvement for Chinese Tutoring Activities 2015

Sorbonne Paris Cité, France

Skills

Experimental platforms: E-Prime, Inquisit, Ibex Farm, Scan4

Data processing: R, Matlab (EEGLAB, ERPLAB, SPM12)

Corpus annotation: Clan

Statistical analyses: R, SPSS

Languages: French (native speaker), English (professional), Mandarin Chinese (professional), German (intermediate), Japanese (elementary notions), Taiwanese (elementary notions)

Internships & Workshops

National Taiwan University

IMAGING CENTER FOR THE INTEGRATED BODY, MIND AND CULTURE
RESEARCH

Lectures on MEG studies and practical (hands-on) workshop for MEG data preprocessing using MATLAB (SPM12)

TAIPEI, TAIWAN

Jan 2022

National Taiwan University

IMAGING CENTER FOR THE INTEGRATED BODY, MIND AND CULTURE
RESEARCH

Lectures on fMRI studies and practical (hands-on) workshop for fMRI data preprocessing and analyses (1st level, 2nd level, and functional connectivity) using MATLAB (SPM12)

TAIPEI, TAIWAN

Jan 2022

National Chengchi University

TAIWAN BRAIN AND IMAGING CENTER

Practical (hands-on) workshop for fMRI data preprocessing and analysis (1st level & 2nd level), using MATLAB (SPM12)

TAIPEI, TAIWAN

Dec 2021

Academia Sinica

HUMAN SUBJECTS RESEARCH ETHICS CENTER

Lectures on ethical issues when conducting academic research with minority groups (indigenous population in Taiwan)

TAIPEI, TAIWAN

May 2021

National Taiwan University

IMAGING CENTER FOR THE INTEGRATED BODY, MIND AND CULTURE
RESEARCH

Presentation of the MEG technique, its application in linguistic research, hands-on practice for the set-up of an MEG experiment

TAIPEI, TAIWAN

Jan 2019

National Taiwan University

IMAGING CENTER FOR THE INTEGRATED BODY, MIND AND CULTURE
RESEARCH

Presentation of the facilities of the center, talks about safety issues when running an fMRI experiment

TAIPEI, TAIWAN

Dec 2018

National Chengchi University

TAIWAN BRAIN AND IMAGING CENTER

Practical (hands-on) workshop for fMRI data preprocessing and analysis (1st level & 2nd level), using MATLAB (SPM12)

TAIPEI, TAIWAN

Dec 2018

National Taiwan Normal University

NEUROLINGUISTICS LAB, DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

Internship on the set-up and the analysis of an ERP experiment, using E-Prime 2.0, Scan 4 and Matlab (EEGLAB and ERPLAB)

TAIPEI, TAIWAN

Summer 2016

National Taiwan Normal University
MANDARIN TRAINING CENTER
Advanced training in Mandarin Chinese

TAIPEI, TAIWAN
Summer 2015

National Taiwan Normal University
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Internship on the fundamentals of classroom observation

TAIPEI, TAIWAN
Summer 2014