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# Employment

present-2019 Post-doctoral Researcher DFG Collaborative Research Center 991

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Project B09: Modifiers as a probe into the frame structure of events

2019–2016 Post-doctoral Research Center 991

 $Heinrich-Heine-Universit\"{a}t\ D\"{u}sseldorf\ ,\ D\"{u}sseldorf\ ,\ Germany$ 

Project C10: A frame-based analysis of adjective-noun combinations

2016–2016 Instructor Michigan State University

### - Education -

**2016–2009** PhD, Linguistics *Michigan State University* , East Lansing, MI, USA

Intensification and Attenuation Across Categories

Marcin Morzycki (chair), Cristina Schmitt, Alan Munn, Alan Beretta

2009–2004 BS, Cognitive Science Central Michigan University , Mount Pleasant, MI, USA

Major: Cognitive Science

## Research Interests -

semantics, syntax, psycholinguistics: gradability, vagueness, imprecision, modification, compositionality, exclamative constructions, expressive meaning, acquisition of aspect, acquisition of pragmatics, formal lexical semantics, syntax-semantics interface

#### Publications

- under review. Anderson, Curt. Indeterminate numerals and their alternatives. In Peter Hallman (ed.), Quantification and degree (Syntax and Semantics). Leiden: Brill.
- 2019. Anderson, Curt. Specification of methods and the semantics of method-oriented adverbs. In Patrick Farrell (ed.), *Proceedings of the Linguistic Society of America*, vol. 4, 1–15.
- **2018.** Anderson, Curt. Kinds, epistemic indefinites, and some-exclamatives. In Robert Truswell, Chris Cummins, Caroline Heycock, Brian Rabern & Hannah Rohde (eds.), *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 21*, vol. 1, 35–52.
- **2018**. **Anderson**, **Curt** & Sebastian Löbner. Roles and the compositional semantics of role-denoting relational adjectives. In Uli Sauerland & Stephanie Solt (eds.), *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 22*, 91–108.
- **2017**. **Anderson**, **Curt**. Contextual factors in children's calculation of telicity. In Maria LaMendola & Jennifer Scott (eds.), *Proceedings of the 41st annual Boston University Conference on Language Development (BUCLD*), 18–31.
- **2015**. **Anderson**, **Curt**. Numerical approximation using some. In Eva Csipak & Hedde Zeijlstra (eds.), *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung* 19, 54–69.
- 2015. Anderson, Curt & Marcin Morzycki. Degrees as kinds. Natural Language and Linguistic Theory 33(3). 791–828.
- **2014**. **Anderson**, **Curt**. Approximation of complex numerals using *some*. In Claire Renaud, Carla Ghanem, Verónica González López & Kathryn Pruitt (eds.), *Proceedings of the Western Conference on Linguistics (WECOL)* 2013, 131–143.
- **2014**. Whelpton, Matthew, Drew Trotter, Þórhalla Guðmundsdóttir Beck, **Curt Anderson**, Joan Maling, Karthik Durvasula & Alan Beretta. Portions and sorts in Icelandic: an ERP study. *Brain and Language* 136. 44–57.

- 2013. Anderson, Curt. Hedging verbs and nouns using an alternative semantics. In Martin Kohlberger, Kate Bellamy & Eleanor Dutton (eds.), *Proceedings of ConSOLE XXI*, 1–20.
- **2013**. **Anderson**, **Curt**. Inherent and coerced gradability across categories: manipulating pragmatic halos with sorta. In Todd Snider (ed.), *Proceedings of Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT)* 23, 81–96.

#### Conference Talks and Posters

- forthcoming. Anderson, Curt. Predicate-modifier asymmetries and the syntax-semantics interface. Presented at Semantics and Philosophy in Europe (SPE) 11. Warsaw.
- forthcoming. Anderson, Curt. Predicate-modifier asymmetries and the syntax-semantics interface. Presented at the 13th International Tbilisi Symposium on Language, Logic and Computation (TbiLLC 2019). Batumi, Georgia.
- **2019**. **Anderson**, **Curt**. *Enriched meanings and pseudo-incorporated bare singular count nouns in English*. Presented at the Modification of Complex Predicates Workshop. Düsseldorf.
- **2019**. **Anderson**, **Curt**. *Predicate-modifier asymmetries and the syntax-semantics interface*. Presented at the RTANJ Linguistics 3 Workshop. Rtanj, Serbia.
- 2019. Anderson, Curt. Specifications of methods and the semantics of method-oriented adverbs. Poster presented at the Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting 2019. New York City.
- **2019. Anderson, Curt,** Kurt Erbach & Ruben van de Vijver. *Intonation and evaluation with* some-exclamatives. Poster presented at the Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting 2019. New York City.
- **2018**. **Anderson**, **Curt**. *Of* old couples *and* important committees: *modification and group member accessibility*. Presented at the 26th European Society of Philosophy and Psychology (ESPP 26). Rijeka, Croatia.
- **2018.** Anderson, Curt. Of old couples and important committees: modification and group member accessibility. Presented at the Bridging Conceptual Semantics and Formal Semantics Workshop (BRIDGE-18). Sofia, Bulgaria.
- **2018.** Anderson, Curt. Specification of methods and the semantics of method-oriented adverbs. Presented at the Event Semantics Workshop 2018. Heidelberg.
- 2018. Anderson, Curt & Marios Andreou. The role of context in disambiguating -er nominalizations. Presented at Cognitive Structures 2018 (CoSt 2018). Düsseldorf.
- **2018. Anderson, Curt,** Kurt Erbach & Ruben van de Vijver. *Intonation and evaluative bias in* some-*exclamatives.* Presented at the 19th Szklarska Poręba Workshop on the Roots of Pragmasemantics. Szklarska Poręba, Poland.
- **2018**. **Anderson**, **Curt**, Oliver Hellwig & Wiebke Petersen. *Automatic clustering and the lexical semantics of cooking adjectives*. Presented at Cognitive Structures 2018 (CoSt 2018). Düsseldorf.
- 2017. Anderson, Curt. The lexical semantics of role-denoting relational adjectives. Poster presented at TABU Dag 38. Groningen.
- 2017. Anderson, Curt & Sebastian Löbner. Roles and the compositional semantics of role-denoting relational adjectives. Presented at the 12th International Tbilisi Symposium on Language, Logic and Computation (TbiLLC 2017). Lagodekhi, Georgia.
- **2017. Anderson, Curt** & Sebastian Löbner. *Roles and the compositional semantics of role-denoting relational adjectives.* Presented at Sinn und Bedeutung 22 (SuB 22). Potsdam.
- **2016.** Anderson, Curt. An alternatives based account of some-exclamatives. Presented at the Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting 2016. Washington, D.C.
- **2016**. **Anderson, Curt**. *Contextual factors in children's computation of telicity*. Presented at the 41st Boston University Conference on Language Development. Bostom.
- 2016. Anderson, Curt. Kinds, epistemic indefinites, and some-exclamatives. Presented at Sinn und Bedeutung 21. Edinburgh.
- 2016. Anderson, Curt & Ekaterina Gabrovska. *Modification of verbs and deverbal nouns*. Presented at Event Semantics Workshop 2016. Düsseldorf.
- 2015. Anderson, Curt. "That was some talk!": An account of some-exclamatives. Presented at the Semantics Workshop of the American Midwest and Prairies (SWAMP) 2015. Ann Arbor, MI.
- 2014. Anderson, Curt. Approximation and the epistemic indefinite some. Presented at Sinn und Bedeutung 19. Göttingen.
- **2013.** Anderson, Curt. A Hamblin semantics for sorta. Presented at the Conference for the Student Organization for Linguistics in Europe (ConSOLE) XXI. Potsdam.
- **2013**. **Anderson**, **Curt**. *Approximation of complex numerals using* some. Presented at the Western Conference on Linguistics (WECOL) 2013. Tempe, AZ.
- 2013. Anderson, Curt. Gradability and imprecision across categories. Presented at Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT) 23.
  Santa Cruz, CA.

- **2013.** Anderson, Curt. Verbal gradability and degree arguments in verbs. Presented at the 37th Penn Linguistics Colloquium (PLC). Philadelphia.
- **2013**. Trotter, Drew, Matthew Whelpton, Þórhalla Guðmundsdóttir Beck, **Curt Anderson**, Joan Maling & Alan Beretta. *ERP responses to portioning and sorting in Icelandic: contrasting coercion with silent syntax*. Presented at the Meeting for the Society for the Neurobiology of Language (SNL) 2013. San Diego.
- 2012. Anderson, Curt. Dimensions of comparison determine telicity in verbal comparatives. Presented at PHLINC. College Park, MD
- 2010. Anderson, Curt. Manner modification and like that. Presented at the Semantics Workshop of the American Midwest and Prairies (SWAMP) 2010. Ann Arbor, MI.

### Invited Talks and Lectures

- 2019. Anderson, Curt. Kinds, epistemic indefinites, and some-exclamatives. Seminar on Exclamatives. Universität zu Köln.
- 2018. Anderson, Curt. Building method-oriented adverbs. SFB 732 Kolloquium. Universität Stuttgart.
- **2018.** Anderson, Curt. Intonation and evaluative bias in some-exclamatives. Semantics and Pragmatics Exchange. Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf.
- 2017. Anderson, Curt. Roles and the semantics of presidential-adjectives. Carleton University Linguistics Colloquium.
- 2017. Anderson, Curt. Semantics and pragmatics of some-exclamatives. SFB 991 Colloquium. Heinrich-Heine- Universität Düsseldorf.
- 2016. Anderson, Curt. Some in non-canonical environments. New York University Semantics Group.

## Teaching Experience

Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf Semantics of Modification (co-taught with Ekaterina Gabrovska)

Academic Skills in Linguistics for Grundkurs Tutors

Michigan State University LIN 200 Introduction to Language

LIN 401 Introduction to Linguistics LIN 437 Semantics and Pragmatics

## Workshop and Conference Organization —

May 2019 Modification of Complex Predicates workshop

Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf

Co-organized with Jens Fleischhauer and Timm Lichte

March 2019 Encoding emotional attitudes in non-truth conditional meaning

DGfS (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft, German Linguistics Society) 41 Workshop

Co-organized with Katherine Fraser

October 2012 Semantics Workshop of the American Midwest and Prairies (SWAMP)

Michigan State University
Co-organized with Phil Pellino

### Service to the Field

**Peer reviewing (journals and book chapters)**: Linguistics and Philosophy, Natural Language and Linguistic Theory, Glossa, Revue de Sémantique et Pragmatique, *Oxford Handbook of Event Structure* (ed. Robert Truswell)

Peer reviewing (conferences and workshops): Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, Encoding emotional attitudes in non-truth conditional meaning (DGfS 41), Cognitive Structures (CoSt) 2018, Sinn und Bedeutung 22, Sinn und Bedeutung 23, Sinn und Bedeutung 24, Events in Language and Cognition 2016

<ul><li>Other</li></ul>	Skills -	
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Programming Python (intermediate), PHP (intermediate), HTML and CSS (intermediate), ETEX (intermediate), R (beginner)

Software Adobe Photoshop, Adobe InDesign, Adobe Lightroom

Languages English (native), German (A2)

## References

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