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Education

2017 exp. Ph.D. Linguistics, New York University
2014–15 Visiting Researcher, Stanford University
2010 B.S. Psychology, University of Texas at Austin
2010 B.A. Mathematics, Linguistics, and Plan II Honors, University of Texas at Austin

In Progress

Split-scope effects in definite descriptions. PhD Dissertation, New York University.

Chair: Chris Barker

Committee: Anna Szabolcsi, Adrian Brasoveanu, Simon Charlow, Philippe Schlenker

Homogeneity in donkey anaphora. With Lucas Champollion and Robert Henderson. Submitted to *Journal of Semantics*.

Strict and sloppy readings of relative descriptions: Adjectives don't take scope alone. In prep.

Publications († = refereed journal)

- † 2017 exp. Not the only game in town: Relative and indeterminate exclusive descriptions. *Journal of Semantics*, under revision.
- † 2017 exp. Split-scope definites: Relative superlatives and Haddock descriptions. *Linguistics and Philosophy*, accepted pending approval of minor revisions.
- † 2015 Incremental quantification and the dynamics of pair-list phenomena. *Semantics and Pragmatics* 8(9), 1–70. <http://dx.doi.org/10.3765/sp.8.9>
- 2015 A cross-linguistic study of the non-at-issueness of exhaustive inferences. With Emilie Destruel, Dan Velleman, Edgar Onea, Jingyang Xue, and David Beaver. In Florian Schwarz (ed.) *Experimental Perspectives on Presuppositions*. Springer, Dordrecht. http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-07980-6_6
- 2014 Universal quantification as iterated dynamic conjunction. In *Proceedings of the 19th Amsterdam Colloquium*, 67–74. http://www.illc.uva.nl/AC/AC2013/uploaded_files/inlineitem/09_Bumford.pdf
- † 2013 Association with distributivity and the problem of multiple licensors for singular *different*. With Chris Barker. *Linguistics and Philosophy* 36(5), 355–369. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s10988-013-9139-z>
- 2012 It-clefts are IT (inquiry-terminating) constructions. With Dan Velleman, David Beaver, Emilie Destruel, Edgar Onea, and Elizabeth Coppock. In *Proceedings of Semantics and Linguistic Theory* 22, 441–460. <http://dx.doi.org/10.3765/salt.v22io.2640>

Presentations

- 2017 Split-scope effects in definite descriptions. Invited colloquium, Boston University.
- 2017 Split-scope effects in definite descriptions. Invited colloquium, UCLA.
- 2016 Polyadicity in descriptions. Invited talk, University of Pennsylvania.
- 2016 Monadic dynamic semantics: Side effects and scope. With Simon Charlow. *Natural Language and Computer Science 4*, Columbia University.
- 2016 The rabbit in the hat is back: Definites with joint uniqueness presuppositions. With Lucas Champollion and Linmin Zhang. *Definiteness Across Languages*, UNAM.
- 2016 Decomposing definiteness: Effects of delayed quantification in descriptions. *Semantics and Linguistic Theory 26*, UT Austin.
- 2016 Split-scope definites. Invited talk, Queen Mary University.
- 2015 Temporal modification without pronouns. Invited talk, NYU Continuations Workshop.
- 2015 Adjectives of comparison. With Chris Barker. Invited talk, UCSC S-Circle.
- 2014 Incremental quantification and the dynamics of pair-list phenomena. Invited talk, Stanford Construction of Meaning Workshop.
- 2013 Universal quantification as iterated dynamic conjunction. *19th Amsterdam Colloquium*.
- 2013 Generalized association with distributivity. With Chris Barker. *Semantics and Linguistic Theory 23*, UCSC.
- 2012 It-clefts are IT (inquiry-terminating) constructions. With Dan Velleman, David Beaver, Emilie Destruel, Edgar Onea, and Elizabeth Coppock. *Semantics and Linguistic Theory 22*, University of Chicago.
- 2011 “Yes, but...” — Exhaustivity and at-issueness across languages. With Dan Velleman, David Beaver, Emilie Destruel, and Edgar Onea. *Workshop on Projection, Entailment, Presupposition, and Assertion*.
- 2009 Effects of grammatical form and familiarity on metaphor comprehension. With Laurretta Reeves. *Metaphor Festival*, Stockholm.

Honors, Grants, and Awards

- 2013–16 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship
 - 3-year grant covering tuition, research expenses, and living stipend
- 2013 NYU Curricular Development Challenge Fund (with Lucas Champollion, PI)
 - \$4,800 grant to develop pedagogical software for semantics courses
- 2011–16 Henry M. MacCracken Fellowship
 - 5-year funding package from NYU, including tuition and stipend

- 2011 George H. Mitchell Grand Prize for Academic Research
 – \$20,000 prize awarded to one UT undergraduate per year for thesis research
- 2011 Summa Cum Laude, University of Texas at Austin

Teaching

- 2016 Teaching Assistant for Chris Barker, “Introduction to Semantics”, 35 students
 – 7 primary lectures, weekly recitation sections, assignment and exam development
- 2015 Teaching Assistant for Chris Barker, “Introduction to Semantics”, 30 students
- 2015 Co-instructor with Chris Barker at the 2015 European Summer School in Logic, Language, and Information (Barcelona), “Monads and Natural Language”
- 2013 Teaching Assistant for Anna Szabolcsi and Brian McElree, “Language and Mind”, 70 students
- 2013 Teaching Assistant for Mark Baltin, “Grammatical Analysis”, 25 students
- 2009 Teaching Assistant for David Beaver, “Mind and Reason”, 20 students
- 2008 Teaching Assistant for Robert Pitman, “Punishment in Society”, 10 students

Service and Experience

- 2016 Referee, *Journal of Semantics*
- 2015 Referee, *Logic and Engineering of Natural Language Semantics* 12
- 2013–16 Organizer, NYU Semantics Group
- 2013–15 Software development, The Lambda Calculator
 – Pedagogical tool to assist in teaching the lambda calculus
- 2013–14 Program Committee, *Semantics and Linguistic Theory* 24
- 2012 Referee, *Semantics and Pragmatics*
- 2012 Research Assistant, Stephanie Harves
- 2009–11 Research Assistant, David Beaver