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## Research interests

### Broad

Experimental syntax and morphology, syntax-semantics interface phenomena, architecture of grammar

### Narrow

Reconstruction in  $\bar{A}$ -movement dependencies, Binding Principle C, ATB-movement, parasitic gaps, acceptability and coreference judgment experiments, statistical modeling of ordinal and categorical data (frequentist and Bayesian)

## Education

### University of Potsdam

Potsdam, Germany

PhD in Linguistics

07/2021 –

Thesis: Reconstruction phenomena in ATB-movement and parasitic gap constructions.

Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Doreen Georgi, Prof. Dr. Malte Zimmermann.

### University of Potsdam

Potsdam, Germany

MSc in Linguistics, with distinction

10/2018 – 06/2021

Thesis: Case and Agreement in Turkish Nonsubject Relative Clauses

Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Malte Zimmermann, Andreas Schmidt. *Grade: 1,0*

### Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen

Tübingen, Germany

BA in Deutsch als Zweitsprache, General Linguistics

10/2015 – 08/2018

Thesis: The Impact of Serbocroatian Morphosyntax on the Acquisition of German as a Second Language

Supervisor: Benjamin Siegmund. *Grade: 2,0*

## Current Position

### Hidden Variability in Sharing Constructions (SFB1287, University of Potsdam)

Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Doreen Georgi

02/2021 – present

PhD student. Project website accessible [here](#).

## Papers

**Unscrambling German parasitic gaps.** To appear in: Proceedings of “Gisbert Fanselow’s contributions to syntactic theory”, Linguistische Arbeitsberichte (LAB) 96, University of Leipzig.

**Scope ambiguities among suffixes in Hungarian: mood and modality at LF.** In: Holtz, A., Kovač, I. & Puggaard-Rode, R. (eds): *Proceedings of the 30th Conference of the Student Organization of Linguistics in Europe*, p. 102–124. Leiden Centre of Linguistics.

## Talks & Posters

**Find the gap: Diagnosing syntactic structure in ATB and RNR constructions.** Talk at the 60th Annual Meeting of the Chicago Linguistic Society, University of Chicago. (with Doreen Georgi, Andrew Murphy and Johannes Rothert) April 2024

**Experimenting with principle C in German ATB movement.** Poster at Linguistic Evidence 2024, University of Potsdam. February 2024

**On reconstruction in German ATB movement and the optimization of experimental designs.** Talk at the 32nd Conference of the Student Organization of Linguistics in Europe (ConSOLE 32), Queen Mary University of London. January 2024

**On the markedness of number features in embedded free relative questions in Akan.** Poster at the 54th Annual Conference on African Linguistics (ACAL 54), University of Connecticut. (with Nadine Bade, Abigail Bimpeh & Jeanne Lecavelier) June 2023

**Unscrambling German parasitic gaps.** Poster at the Workshop on Gisbert Fanselow's Contributions to Syntactic Theory, Humboldt University Berlin. April 2023

**All that glitters is not syntax. On the deceptive comfort of the armchair.** Talk at LMBB 9, University of Potsdam. September 2022

**Scope ambiguities among suffixes in Hungarian: Mood and modality.** Talk at the 30th Conference of the Student Organization of Linguistics in Europe (ConSOLE 30), University of Nantes. January 2022

**Challenges for theories of (post-)syntactic head movement: Tense and modality in Hungarian. (with Johannes Rothert)** Poster at the 13th conference on Syntax, Phonology and Language Analysis (SinFonJA 13), Hungarian Academy of Sciences. September 2020

## Theses

**Case and Agreement in Turkish nonsubject relative clauses: An experimental approach.** Master's thesis, University of Potsdam June 2021

## Experience

### **The Limits of Variability in Extraction Asymmetries (SFB1287, University of Potsdam)**

Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Doreen Georgi

09/2020 – 01/2021

Research assistant, preparation of items and experiments. Project website accessible [here](#).

### **Variation and variability in grammatical systems (University of Potsdam)**

Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Doreen Georgi

04/2020 – 08/2020

Research assistant, preparation of items and experiments. Project website accessible [here](#).

### **SPAGAD: Speech Acts in Grammar and Discourse (Leibniz Zentrum Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft Berlin)**

Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Manfred Krifka

05/2019 – 03/2020

Student assistant, corpus and video annotation. Project website accessible [here](#).

### **CoALLa: Computational Analysis of Learner Language (Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen).**

Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Detmar Meurers

10/2017 – 07/2018

Student assistant, annotation of linguistic materials. Project website accessible [here](#).

### **Tübingen School of Education (TüSE, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen)**

Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Kristina Peuschel

09/2017 – 07/2018

Student assistant, transcription and annotation of spoken language. Project website accessible [here](#).

### **Lehrstuhl für Deutsch als Zweitsprache (Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen)**

Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Doreen Bryant

09/2016 – 07/2017

Student assistant, videography, transcription and annotation.

## Skills

### **Coding**

Proficient in: R

Familiar with: Python

Novice: JavaScript (particularly jsPsych), Matlab

### **Typesetting**

Proficient in:  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , HTML

### **Languages**

Hungarian (native), German (native), English (fluent), Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian (advanced), Italian (basic), Latin (basically gone)

### **Annotating Tools**

Proficient in: ELAN, Praat, Exmaralda, MaxQDA.