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### Main areas of research

Semantics, pragmatics, syntax-semantics interface, application of corpus linguistic and experimental methods in semantics and pragmatics

## 1– Employment and academic background

### Employment and research stays

- 09/2019–            [University of Oslo](#), Norway  
postdoctoral fellow at the Department of Linguistics and Scandinavian Studies;  
Marie Skłodowska-Curie Fellow and PI of “[IPG\\_CORE](#)” (EU project no 842363)
- 04/2013–08/2019   [Eberhard-Karls Universität Tübingen](#), Germany  
postdoctoral researcher at the German Department, Section German Linguistics;  
associated researcher of project A1 at SFB 833
- 09/2017–12/2017   [Massachusetts Institute of Technology](#), Cambridge, MA, USA  
Department of Linguistics and Philosophy  
Visiting Scholar Fall Term 2017
- 04/2016–03/2017   [Georg-August-Universität Göttingen](#), Germany  
substitute professorship for semantics and pragmatics at the English Department,  
Section English Linguistics
- 11/2012–03/2013   [Georg-August-Universität Göttingen](#), Germany  
member of research staff at the Department of Linguistics; associated researcher  
at CRC “Text Structures”
- 12/2008–10/2012   [Georg-August-Universität Göttingen](#), Germany  
member of research staff (PhD position) at the free-floater group “Noun phrases  
in intensional contexts”; associated researcher at CRC “Text Structures” (from  
06/2012)
- 02/2011            [Northwestern University](#), Evanston, IL, USA  
Brief research stay (3 weeks) with Stefan Kaufmann
- 2007–2009        various teaching assistantships, [University of Vienna](#) and [Vienna University of  
Technology](#), Austria

## Participation in research projects

- 2019– “Looking for the Impersonal Core – Impersonal Pronouns across Germanic languages” (IPG\_CORE, EU project 842363, principal investigator)
- 2014–2019 Projekt A1 “Combinatory Meaning Adaptions at the Semantics/Pragmatics Interface”, SFB 833, Eberhard-Karls Universität Tübingen (associated researcher, PI: Claudia Maienborn)
- 2012–2013 “The Multi-layered Text Protocol: Micro and Macro Level Structures in Written Discourse” (associated PhD-student, Courant Forschungszentrum “Textstrukturen”, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen)
- 2011–2012 “Speech Acts and Discourse Particles”, (DAAD-cooperation Hong Kong-Germany; PIs: Magdalena Kaufmann and Yurie Hara)
- 2009–2012 “Noun Phrases in Intensional Contexts” (PI: Magdalena Kaufmann)

## Education

- 11/2019 [Eberhard-Karls Universität Tübingen](#), Germany  
Habilitation (Privatdozentin, PD), General Linguistics and German Linguistics  
Habilitation Thesis: “The many faces of German *als*-phrases and English *as*-phrases: A study of predicative adjunct *als/as*-phrases and their range of interpretation”  
Evaluators: Prof. Sigrid Beck (Univ. Tübingen), Prof. Regine Eckardt (Univ. Konstanz), Prof. Gerhard Jäger (Univ. Tübingen), Prof. Claudia Maienborn (Univ. Tübingen)
- 10/2012, 2014 [Georg-August-Universität Göttingen](#), Germany  
Dr.phil. (~ PhD), General Linguistics (summa cum laude)  
Dissertation: “Impersonally Interpreted Personal Pronouns”  
Advisors: Prof. Magdalena Kaufmann (University of Connecticut), Prof. Cleo Condoravdi (Stanford University), Prof. Regine Eckardt (University of Konstanz)  
defended: Oct 29, 2012; published/title awarded: Oct 29, 2014  
(independent member of [GSSG](#))
- 06/2009 [Vienna University of Technology](#), Austria  
Dipl.-Ing. (~ MA), Technical Mathematics (with honors)  
Specialization: Computational Mathematics  
Thesis: “Choice Sequences - Past and Future”  
Supervisor: Prof. Matthias Baaz (Vienna University of Technology)
- 06/2008 [University of Vienna](#), Austria  
Mag.phil. (~ MA), Linguistics (with honors)  
Specialization: Theoretical Linguistics  
Thesis: “Current Thoughts on the Theory of VP-Ellipsis Licensing”  
Supervisor: Prof. Edwin Williams (Princeton)

## 2– Third party funding and awards

### Third party funding

2019	Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowship for work on the project “Looking for the Impersonal Core – Impersonal Pronouns across Germanic languages” (IPG_CORE) at the University of Oslo (€ 202.000; runtime: 2 years); Horizon 2020, European Commission
2017	Postdoctoral Fellowship for a short term stay abroad (financial support of € 13,000; runtime: 4 months); German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)
2017	Tübingen Athene Programme for Early Career Researchers (financial support of € 20,000; runtime: 2 years); Equal Opportunity Funds, Eberhard-Karls Universität Tübingen
2013–2015	Travel grants to participate at NELS 44 (University of Connecticut), CSSP 2015 (Paris), and SinFonLJA 8 (University of Ljubljana); Equal Opportunity Funds, Eberhard-Karls Universität Tübingen
2007, 2008	Travel grants to participate at the European Summer School in Logic, Language and Information, Kurt Gödel Gesellschaft, Vienna, Austria
2007	Grant for Short-Time Research Abroad University of Vienna

### Awards

2008	Honorary Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement funded by the bm:w_f, Austria
2007, 2008	Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement funded by private foundations, Austria
2006–2009	Awards for Outstanding Academic Achievement funded by the bm:bwk

## 3– Administrative activities and services

### Administration

2016–2019	Webmaster, website of the German Department, Section German Linguistics, University of Tübingen
2007–2009	Representative of the student body for the department of linguistics (Studierendenvertreterin), University of Vienna
2008	Member of the committee for the BA/MA curricula at the Department of Linguistics, University of Vienna
2008	Member of the committee for a professorial position, University of Vienna

### Services

05/2013–03/2019	member of the advisory board (Member C) of the international linguistic society “Generative Linguistics in the Old World” (GLOW)
03/2013–03/2016	Treasurer of Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft (DGfS)

## 4– Organizing activities and reviewing

### Organizing activities

2019–2021	Organiser of <i>LingORG</i> , an international online talk series, Department of Linguistics and Scandinavian Studies, University of Oslo
2020	Organiser of <i>Gestures and Natural Language Semantics: Investigations at the Interface</i> , <a href="#">special session</a> at <i>Sinn und Bedeutung 25</i> , September 2, London, UK (co-organized with Patrick Grosz)
2019	Member of the selection committee for <i>GLOW 42</i> (University of Oslo, Norway)
2018	Organiser of <i>AG 15 Reference determination: literal and non-literal uses of referring expressions</i> at DGfS 2018, University of Stuttgart, 7-9 March 2018 (co-organized with Dolf Rami and T. Ede Zimmermann)
2017	Member of the selection committee for <i>GLOW 40</i> (Leiden University, the Netherlands)
2016	Organiser of <i>GLOW 39</i> , April 5-8, Göttingen (Chair: Hedde Zeijlstra)
2015	Organiser of the <i>STECHOW Session</i> at the <i>20th Sinn und Bedeutung</i> , Tübingen (co-organized with Doris Penka and Polina Berezovskaya)
2014	Organiser of <i>Pronouns@Tübingen2</i> , Tübingen (co-organized with Pritty Patel-Grosz and Patrick Grosz)
2009	Organiser of the <i>14th Sinn und Bedeutung</i> , Vienna (co-organized with Martin Prinzhorn and Viola Schmitt)
	Organiser of <i>FACQ workshop</i> , Göttingen (co-organized with Ilaria Frana and Magdalena Schwager)

### Reviewing

Books	De Gruyter Studium
Journals	Ampersand, Erkenntnis, Glossa, Journal of Germanic Linguistics, Journal of Historical Syntax, Journal of Linguistics, Journal of Pragmatics, Language and Speech, Linguistics, Linguistics & Philosophy, Natural Language and Linguistic Theory, Natural Language Semantics, Noûs, Semantics & Pragmatics, SKY Journal, Zeitschrift für Sprachwissenschaft
Conferences	Amsterdam Colloquium; Comparative Germanic Syntax Workshop (CGSW); Console; ESSLLI Student Session; GLOW Jahrestagung; International Tbilisi Symposium on Language, Logic and Computation; Linguistic Evidence; North East Linguistics Society (NELS); SinFonIJA; Sinn & Bedeutung; Syntax and Semantics Conference in Paris (CSSP); The Semantics of African, Asian and Austronesian Languages

## 5– Further education and skills

### Summer Schools

2007–2009, 2011, 2014, 2016	European Summer School in Logic, Language and Information Dublin, Ireland – Hamburg, Germany – Bordeaux, France – Ljubljana, Slovenia – Tübingen, Germany – Bolzano, Italy
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- Aug 2016      Göttingen Spirit Summer School on Complex Clauses  
Göttingen, Germany
- Jun 2010      North American Summer School in Logic, Language and Information  
Bloomington, IN, USA
- Jul 2006      Eastern Generative Grammar School  
Olomouc, Czech Republic

### **Soft skills**

- 2020            Theoretical and practical one-day workshops on research data management,  
Carpentry@UiO, Universitetet i Oslo
- 2017–2019    Seminars on organizational and academic skills attended in the context of the  
Athene Programme for Early Career Researchers, Eberhard-Karls-Universität  
Tübingen
- 2011–2012    Seminars on organizational and academic skills attended in the context of the  
Dorothea-Schlözer mentoring programme, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen

### **Natural and programming languages**

- Natural languages:      German (native), English (professional proficiency), Norwegian (intermediate), Italian (elementary proficiency), French (elementary proficiency), Japanese (beginner)
- Programming languages:    R (active),  $\LaTeX$  (active), Python 3 (active); HTML (active), (R)Markdown (active); CSS (active);

## 6– Publications, presentations, and cooperations

### Dissertation

- 2014 Zobel, Sarah. 2014. *Impersonally Interpreted Personal Pronouns*. Revised dissertation. Published online at Niedersächsische Staats- und Universitätsbibliothek Göttingen. <http://hdl.handle.net/11858/00-1735-0000-0023-991B-2>

### Edited Volumes

- 2021 Grosz, Patrick G., Luisa Martí, Hazel Pearson, Yasutada Sudo & Sarah Zobel. to appear. *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 25*.
- 2018 Patel-Grosz, Pritty, Patrick G. Grosz & Sarah Zobel. 2018. *Pronouns in Embedded Contexts (Studies in Linguistics and Philosophy 99)*, Springer.
- 2010 Prinzhorn, Martin, Viola Schmitt & Sarah Zobel. 2010. *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 14*. Published online: [Online publication](#).

### Peer reviewed publications and proceedings of peer reviewed conferences

- 2021 Zobel, Sarah. to appear-a. Zur Determinierbarkeit bei prädikativ verwendeten zählbaren Nomen im Deutschen: Korpusdaten und ihre Konsequenzen. Accepted for publication at *Linguistische Berichte*.
- Zobel, Sarah. to appear-b. Quantificational variability effects with German *größtenteils* and implicit agents. In: *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 25*.
- Zobel, Sarah. to appear-c. Restrictions on the Generic Interpretation of Dedicated Impersonal Pronouns. In: *Proceedings of WCCFL 39*.
- Zobel, Sarah. to appear-d. The impersonal use of German first person singular *ich*. Accepted for publication at *Linguistic Inquiry*.
- 2020 Zobel, Sarah. 2020. Exploring the existential semantics of the German impersonal pronoun *man* in episodic sentences. In: Mariam Asatryan, Yixiao Song und Ayana Whitmal (eds.), *NELS 50, Vol. 3*, GLSA Amherst. 269–278.
- 2019 Zobel, Sarah. 2019. Accounting for the “causal link” between free adjuncts and their host clauses. In: M. Teresa Espinal et al. (eds.), *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 23*. Bellaterra: Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona. 1049–1066.
- 2018 Zobel, Sarah. 2018. An analysis of the semantic variability of weak adjuncts and its problems. In: Uli Sauerland und Stephanie Solt (eds.), *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 22, vol. 2, ZASPiL 61*, Berlin: ZAS. 499–516.
- 2017 Zobel, Sarah. 2017a. The restrictive potential of weak adjuncts: nominal *as*-phrases and individual quantifiers. In *Proceedings of the 21st Amsterdam Colloquium*. 521–530.
- Zobel, Sarah. 2017b. The notion of roles and the role use of English nominal *as*-phrases. In Dan Burgdorf, Jacob Collard, Sireemas Maspong, and Brynhildur Stefansdottir (eds.), *Proceedings of SALT 27*. 438–458.
- Zobel, Sarah & Eva Csipak. 2017. Conditional antecedents containing the German discourse particle *denn*: a corpus study. *Linguistica* 56: 345–361.
- Zobel, Sarah. 2017c. On the (in)definiteness of impersonal pronouns. *Linguistica* 56: 363–374.

- 2016 Zobel, Sarah. 2016a. A pragmatic analysis of German impersonally used first person singular 'ich'. *Pragmatics* 26: 379–416.
- Csipak, Eva & Sarah Zobel. 2016. Discourse Particle *denn* in the Antecedent of Conditionals. In Christopher Piñon (ed.), *Empirical Issues in Syntax and Semantics 11*. 31–60.
- Zobel, Sarah. 2016b. Adjectival *as*-phrases as intensional secondary predicates. In Mary Moroney, Carol-Rose Little, Jacob Collard & Dan Burgdorf (eds.), *Proceedings of SALT 26*. 284–303.
- 2015 Zobel, Sarah. 2015. Voldemort phrases in generic sentences. *Grazer Linguistische Studien* 83: 107–123.
- 2014 Csipak, Eva & Sarah Zobel. 2014. A condition on the distribution of discourse particles across types of questions. In Jyoti Iyer & Leland Kusmer (eds.), *NELS 44, Vol. 1*. 83–94. GLSA Amherst.
- 2010 Zobel, Sarah. 2010. Non-Standard Uses of German 1st Person Singular Pronouns. In Kumiyo Nakakoji, Yohei Murakami & Eric McCready (eds.), *JSAI-isAI, LNAI 6284*. 292–311.

### Contributions to edited volumes

- 2018 Reed, Natasha, Yvonne Metzger, Michaela Kolbe, Sarah Zobel und Margarete Boos. 2018. Unitizing verbal interaction data for coding: Rules and reliability. In Elisabeth Brauner, Margarete Boos & Michaela Kolbe (eds.) *The Cambridge handbook of group interaction analysis*. 208–226.
- 2017 Zobel, Sarah. 2017d. “Eh is eh anders”– *eh* and *sowieso* in Federal German and Austrian German. In Clemens Mayr & Edwin Williams (eds.) *Festschrift für Martin Prinzhorn*. Published as *Wiener Linguistische Gazette* 82: 323–330.

### Data sets and project reports

- 2020 Zobel, Sarah. 2020. *Replication Data for: Zur Determiniererlosigkeit bei prädikativ verwendeten zählbaren Nomen im Deutschen*, <https://doi.org/10.18710/6HUAMB>, DataverseNO, V1, UNF:6:W+wFGxK3VC2LJ/oYe/TMJg== [fileUNF]
- 2019 Zobel, Sarah. 2019. *Annotation manual: Annotating morphosyntactic and semantic properties of the linguistic context surrounding occurrences of dedicated impersonal pronouns*. Developed as part of [IPG\\_CORE](#). Online publication.

### Manuscripts

- under review Köpping, Jan & Sarah Zobel. Two types of existential quantification. Manuscript.
- under revision Zobel, Sarah. A role-based account of the role-specifying use of English predicative *as*-phrases. Manuscript.
- Zobel, Sarah. Determining the uses of dedicated impersonal pronouns: a case study investigating German, Norwegian, and Swedish *man*. Manuscript.
- Zobel, Sarah. The landscape of German predicative *als*-phrases and English predicative *as*-phrases. Manuscript.
- Zobel, Sarah. Unstressed *überhaupt* in wh-questions: Consequences for Rojas-Esponda 2014. Manuscript.

- in preparation      Zobel, Sarah & Jakob Majdič. The semantic contribution of Bavarian *der*-verbs. Manuscript.
- Csipak, Eva & Sarah Zobel. Discourse particles, questions and conditional antecedents. Manuscript.
- 2009                    Zobel, Sarah. 2009. Embedding Antecedent-Contained Deletion. Manuscript.

## Talks and posters

### Invited talks

- 2021                    *Two types of existential quantification* (with Jan Köpping). Presented at the Department of Philosophy I, University of Bochum, May 5, Bochum, Germany.
- A third ‘man’? On the German impersonal pronoun ‘man’ in speech reports*. Presented at the semantics group of Prof. Viola Schmitt, HU Berlin, April 22, Berlin, Germany.
- Restrictions on the generic interpretation of dedicated impersonal pronouns*. Seminar session held at Yale (lecturers: Raffaella Zanuttini and Milena Šereikaitė), April 21, New Haven, CT, USA.
- Two types of existential quantification* (with Jan Köpping). Presented at the Semantics Colloquium, University of Frankfurt, January 28, Frankfurt, Germany.
- 2020                    *How to manage something in Bavarian German: the Bavarian verbal prefix der-* (with Jakob Majdič). Presented at RUESHeL Lab Meeting, HU Berlin, December 14, Berlin, Germany.
- Discourse particles and the connection between conditionals and questions* (with Eva Csipak). Presented at Leibniz-Zentrum Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft (ZAS), July 5, Berlin, Germany.
- Ways to talk about individuals: the case of German man in episodic sentences*. Video presentation at the Department of Philosophy I, University of Bochum, May 14, Bochum, Germany.
- The existential use of German ‘man’ and implicit agents of passives*. Presented at the Department of Linguistics, University of Vienna, March 4, Vienna, Austria.
- ‘Who dunnit?’ The existential implications of impersonal pronouns and implicit agents*. Presented at the “21st Workshop on the Roots of Pragmasemantics”, March 1, Szklarska Poreba, Poland.
- 2019                    *Capturing the semantics and pragmatics of impersonal pronominal expressions*. Presented at “Variables and the (Meta)semantics of Context-Sensitivity”, September 24, University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria.
- 2018                    *Die semantische Variabilität des unpersönlichen Pronomens ‘man’*. Presented at Linguistischer Arbeitskreis Köln (LAK), November 7, Cologne, Germany.
- An a-definite analysis of impersonal pronouns*. Presented at the Forum for Theoretical Linguistics, University of Oslo, March 14, Oslo, Norway.
- Variation bei Diskurspartikeln im Bundesdeutschen und österreichischen Deutschen*. Presented in the course “Dialektale Variation im Deutschen” (Lecturer: Regine Eckardt), University of Konstanz, January 29, Konstanz, Germany.
- 2017                    *Zur Interaktion von ‘als’-Phrasen mit temporalen und modalen Operatoren*. Presented at the German Department, University of Vienna, November 14, Vienna, Austria.



- 2016 *On the notion of roles in formal semantics*. Presented at the Linguistics Colloquium, University of Göttingen, November 2, Göttingen, Germany.
- Discourse particle ‘denn’ in the antecedent of conditionals* (with Eva Csipak). Presented at “Pragmatics III” (Instructor: María Biezma), University of Konstanz, May 11, Konstanz, Germany.
- ‘Eh’-type Particles*. Presented at “Pragmatik II” (Instructor: Eva Csipak), University of Konstanz, May 10, Konstanz, Germany.
- Analyses of the German Perfekt: An Overview*. Presented at “Tempus Tuesday”, University of Tübingen, January 19, Tübingen, Germany.
- 2015 *Towards a semantic analysis for German “als”-phrases*. Presented at the semantics colloquium at [University of Frankfurt](#), December 3, Frankfurt, Germany.
- On the distribution of German discourse particles across types of questions*. Presented at the colloquium of the German Department, University of Vienna, March 17, Vienna, Austria.
- 2014 *Voldemort phrases in generic sentences – seemingly impersonal uses of 3rd person singular pronouns*. Presented at the Oberseminar English Linguistics, University of Göttingen, December 16, Göttingen, Germany.
- Hyperintensionalität*. Guest presentation at “Formale Semantik und Intensionalität” (Instructor: Edgar Onea), University of Göttingen, June 19, Göttingen, Germany.
- 2013 *Formalizing impersonally used personal pronouns*. Presented at the Oberseminar English Linguistics, University of Tübingen, December 17, Tübingen, Germany.
- ‘Ich muss doch als Verband den Wettbewerb fördern!’ – On the connection between impersonally interpreted personal pronouns and discourse particles*. Presented at the University of Stuttgart, April 18, Stuttgart, Germany.
- 2012 *Genericity and the interaction with non-epistemic modality*. Presented at the University of Göttingen (English Department), November 27, Göttingen, Germany.
- 2011 *Diagnosing the intensional contexts found with impersonally interpreted pronouns*. Presented at University of Konstanz, July 21, Konstanz, Germany.
- Die impersonale Verwendung von Personalpronomen*. Presented at the University of Göttingen (German Department), June 9, Göttingen, Germany.
- 2010 *Deutsche “als”-Phrasen und englische “as”-Phrasen im Vergleich*. Presented at the semantics colloquium at [University of Frankfurt](#), December 2, Frankfurt, Germany
- 2008 *Licensing ACD*. Invited talk at [Georg-August-Universität Göttingen](#), October 21, Göttingen, Germany.

### Talks and posters at refereed conferences

- 2021 *Expressing difficult achievements in Bavarian: the interpretation of ‘der’-verbs* (with Jakob Majdič). To be presented at [Sinn und Bedeutung 26](#), Cologne University, September 10, Cologne, Germany.
- The uses of the impersonal pronoun ‘man’ in written German and Norwegian (Bokmål)*. Presented at [12th International Conference on Nordic and General Linguistics](#), Universitetet i Oslo, June 15, Oslo, Norway.
- Restrictions on the generic interpretation of dedicated impersonal pronouns*. Poster presented at [39th West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics](#), University of Arizona, April 9, Tucson, AZ, USA.

- 2020 *Quantificational variability effects with German ‘größtenteils’ and implicit agents.* Presented at *Sinn und Bedeutung 25*, University College London / Queen Mary University of London, September 3–9 London, UK.
- 2019 *A non-existential analysis for the German impersonal pronoun ‘man’ in episodic sentences.* Poster presented at NELS 50 (MIT), October 25, Cambridge, MA, USA.
- 2018 *Accounting for the causal link between free adjuncts and their host clauses.* Presented at *Sinn und Bedeutung 23*, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, September 7, Barcelona, Spain.
- On the difference between the Federal German and the Austrian German discourse particle ‘eh’: An experimental investigation.* Presented at Linguistic Evidence 2018, University of Tübingen, February 17, Tübingen, Germany.
- 2017 *The restrictive potential of weak adjuncts: nominal ‘as’-phrases and individual quantifiers.* Presented at the 21st Amsterdam Colloquium, University of Amsterdam, December 22, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
- Capturing the interpretational possibilities of weak free adjuncts.* Presented at *Sinn und Bedeutung 22*, ZAS Berlin/University of Potsdam, September 7, Potsdam, Germany.
- Microvariation at the not at-issue level: Federal German vs. Austrian German ‘eh’.* Presented at “Microvariation in Semantics”, ZAS Berlin, September 6, Berlin, Germany.
- The notion of roles and the role use of English nominal ‘as’-phrases.* Poster presented at SALT 27 (University of Maryland), May 13, College Park, MD, USA.
- Postnominal temporal adverbs in the German prefield (mit Eva Csipak).* Presented at “Coercion Across Linguistic Fields (CALF)” (AG11, 39th Annual Meeting of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft), Universität des Saarlandes, March 9, Saarbrücken, Germany.
- 2016 *Discourse particles and the connection between conditionals and questions (with Eva Csipak).* Presented at “Conditionals at the crossroads of semantics and pragmatics”, University of Konstanz, November 11, Konstanz, Germany.
- Discourse particles and their connection to sentence types, speech acts, and discourse (joint work with Eva Csipak).* Presented at “Formal Approaches to Particles” in the course of ESSLLI 2016 (University Bozen/Bolzano), August 26, Bolzano, Italy.
- Adjectival “as”-phrases as intensional secondary predicates.* Poster presented at SALT 26 (University of Texas at Austin), May 13, Austin, TX, USA.
- 2015 *Discourse particle denn in conditionals (joint work with Eva Csipak).* Presented at CSSP 2015, October 8-10, Paris, France.
- On a use of German discourse particle denn in the antecedent of conditionals (joint talk with Eva Csipak).* Presented at SinFonIJA VIII (Ljubljana University), September 25, Ljubljana, Slovenia.
- On the discourse properties of dedicated impersonal pronouns in episodic sentences.* Poster presented at SinFonIJA VIII (Ljubljana University), September 24, Ljubljana, Slovenia.
- 2014 *Voldemort phrases in generic sentences – seemingly impersonal uses of 3rd person singular pronouns.* Presented at SinFonIJA VII (Karl-Franzens-Universität Graz), September 26, Graz, Austria.
- 2013 *A condition on the distribution of discourse particles across types of questions (joint poster with Eva Csipak).* Poster presented at NELS 44 (University of Connecticut), October 19, Storrs, CT, USA.

- Negated generic sentences*. Presented at 14th Szklarska Poreba Workshop, March 1, Szklarska Poreba, Poland.
- 2012 *On the semantic and pragmatic aspects of impersonal pronominal meaning*. Presented at Journee Impersonels at CNRS/Paris8, November 8, Paris, France.
- 2011 *Against a purely feature based analysis of pronominal meaning*. Poster presented at 34th annual GLOW-colloquium, April 29, Vienna, Austria.
- On the semantics of German adnominal and adverbial “als”-phrases*. Presented at 12th Szklarska Poreba Workshop, March 11, Szklarska Poreba, Poland.
- 2010 *German Impersonal Pronouns: Pragmatic and Semantic Differences*. Presented at [NASSLLI Student Session](#), June 26, Bloomington IN, USA
- Pragmatic effects of German impersonal “ich” and “du”*. Presented at [Between you and me: local pronouns across modalities](#) (Nijmegen University), June 7, Nijmegen, Netherlands
- Deutsche impersonal verwendete Pronomen im Vergleich*. Presented at the [2. Semantik und Pragmatik im Südwesten](#) (University of Göttingen), May 29, Göttingen, Germany.
- German impersonal “ich” and “du” in discourse*. Presented at “1st International Postgraduate Conference in Linguistics” (LoT, University of Cyprus), May 7, Nicosia, Cyprus.
- On a special use of German “ich” in modal contexts*. Presented at [11th Szklarska Poreba Workshop](#), March 13, Szklarska Poreba, Poland.
- 2009 *Non-indexical uses of 1st person singular pronouns*. Presented at [LENLS IV](#), November 19, Tokyo, Japan.
- 2008 *Lizensierung von Antecedent-Contained Deletion*. Presented at [1st Student Conference Graz](#) (Karl-Franzens-Universität Graz), December 12, Graz, Austria.
- Embedded Antecedent-Contained Deletion*. Presented at [36th Austrian Linguistics Conference](#) (University of Vienna), December 7, Vienna, Austria.

### Further talks and posters

- 2021 *Roles and the motivation behind role nouns*. Presentation at the *UBC Semantics reading group*, University of British Columbia, July 30, Vancouver, Canada.
- German ‘man’ and the discourse behavior of its existential use*. Presented at LingORG, Universitetet i Oslo, April 19, Oslo, Norway.
- Discourse particles and the connection between conditionals and questions* (with Eva Csipak). Research Seminar (online), Department of Linguistics, University of British Columbia, February 12, Vancouver, Canada.
- 2020 *Bavarian complex ‘der’-verbs and temporal adverbials* (mit Jakob Majdič). Presented at “[Event Semantics 2020](#)”, University of Tübingen, November 7, Tübingen, Germany.
- 2019 *Der Ausdruck von Fähigkeit und Erfolg mit dem bairischen Präfix ‘der-’*. Presented as a required part of the Habilitation (Habitationskolloquium), University of Tübingen, November 6, Tübingen, Germany.
- Introducing: Looking for the Impersonal Core – Impersonal Pronouns across Germanic languages*. Presented at LingORG, University of Oslo, September 17, Oslo, Norway.
- Die Kombinatorik von ‘schnell’, ‘rasch’ und ‘flink’. Zur Überprüfung lexikalischer Typenanforderungen mit Hilfe von Korpusdaten* (joint talk with Edith Scheifele). Presented at the Forschungskolloquium German Linguistics, University of Tübingen, June 19, Tübingen, Germany.

- 2018 *Was sind "etablierte soziale Rollen"? Zur Determinierbarkeit prädikativer zählbarer Nomen im Singular.* Presented at the Forschungskolloquium German Linguistics, June 13, Tübingen, Germany.
- Introduction to AG 15 – Reference determination: literal and non-literal uses of referring expressions.* Presented at DGfS 2018, University of Stuttgart, March 7, Stuttgart, Germany.
- Nominale Eigenschaften – zur Notwendigkeit der Unterscheidung zwischen Klassennomen und Rollennomen.* Presented at the Oberseminar Theoretische Philosophie, University of Göttingen, January 22, Göttingen, Germany.
- 2017 *Do weak adjunct 'as'-phrases restrict individual quantifiers?* Presented at LFRG, MIT, December 13, Boston, MA, USA.
- Modals and the restrictive potential of weak adjunct 'as'-phrases.* Presented at UConn Meaning Group, UConn Storrs, December 8, Storrs, CT, USA.
- Wir wünschen dir eh sowieso alles Gute!* Poster presented at the "Workshop in honor of Martin Prinzhorn", TU Vienna, November 11, Vienna, Austria.
- On the semantic variability of weak adjunct as-phrases.* Presented at LingLunch, MIT, October 5, Boston, MA, USA.
- Argument 'als'-Phrasen als Einstellungsinhalte.* Presented at the Oberseminar Theoretische Philosophie, University of Göttingen, May 29, Göttingen, Germany.
- 'Als'-Phrasen und Einstellungsinhalte.* Presented at the Forschungskolloquium German Linguistics, May 24, Tübingen, Germany.
- Eine Semantik für die Rollenlesart von 'als'-Phrasen.* Presented at the Oberseminar Theoretische Philosophie, University of Göttingen, January 16, Göttingen, Germany.
- 2016 *Talking about yesterday – postnominal temporal adverbs in the German prefield* (with Eva Csipak). Presented at "Event Semantics 2016" (University of Düsseldorf), November 25-26, Düsseldorf, Germany.
- Die Rollenlesart von als-Phrasen – Modellierung von Rollen.* Presented at the Oberseminar Theoretical Philosophy, University of Göttingen, July 4, Göttingen, Germany.
- Towards a semantics of English as-phrases (and German als-phrases).* Presented at the Oberseminar English Linguistics, University of Göttingen, May 24, Göttingen, Germany.
- 2015 *On the variable relations between German 'als'-phrases and the matrix clause event.* Presented at "Event Semantics 2015" (University of Stuttgart), November 21, Stuttgart, Germany.
- Eh-type Particles* (joint talk with Eva Csipak). Presented at "G-RAW: Göttingen hosts Regine's Anniversary Workshop", July 17, Göttingen, Germany.
- Discourse particles as discourse-navigating devices – a case study on German denn* (joint talk with Eva Csipak). Presented at "Questions in Discourse 7", University of Göttingen, June 25, Göttingen, Germany.
- Die Diskurspartikel "denn" in Konditionalen* (joint work with Eva Csipak). Presented at the Forschungskolloquium German Linguistics, June 3, Tübingen, Germany.
- 2014 *"Er ging als Kind schon nicht gern zu Fuß" – Zur Interaktion von nominalen 'als'-Phrasen mit logischen Operatoren.* Presented at the Forschungskolloquium German Linguistics, December 10, Tübingen, Germany.

*On the non-uniformity of pronouns: 1st sg, 2nd sg, and impersonal pronouns.* Presented at Pronouns@Tübingen2, Special Session: “On the non-uniformity of pronouns”, November 8, Tübingen, Germany.

*Eingeschränkte Prädikation: “als”-Phrasen und “as”-Phrasen.* Presented at the Forschungskolloquium German Linguistics, University of Tübingen, January 15, Tuebingen, Germany.

2013 *Two Issues Related to Impersonally Used Personal Pronouns.* Presented at “The Impact of Pronominal Form on Interpretation” at the panel discussion “Current Pronominal Issues at the Syntax-Semantics Interface”, November 16, Tübingen, Germany.

*Impersonal ‘ich’, discourse particles, and the utterance context.* Poster presented at “Text in Perspective: Processing and Interpretation” (CRC “Text Structures”), May 30, Göttingen, Germany.

2011 *The connection between German discourse particles and impersonally interpreted personal pronouns.* Presented at Workshop on Speech Acts and Particles 2, October 14, Hongkong, China.

*Arguments for a two-operator analysis of impersonal pronouns in modal sentences.* Alternate talk (not presented) at Journee Impersonels at CNRS/Paris8, September 20, Paris, France.

*The Problem of Impersonally Used Personal Pronouns.* Presented at Northwestern University, February 10, Evanston, IL, USA.

## Cooperations

- Prof. Margarete Boos (Department of Psychology, University of Göttingen): development of a linguistically informed annotation schema for verbal interaction data
- Dr. Eva Csipak (University of Konstanz): semantics and pragmatics of German discourse particles in questions and antecedents of conditionals
- Prof. Patrick Grosz (University of Oslo): pronouns in embedded contexts
- Dr. Jan Köpping (Department of Linguistics, University of Frankfurt): formal representation of existential quantification with impersonal pronouns and implicit agents of short passives
- Jakob Majdič (University of Vienna): syntax and semantics of the Bavarian verbal prefix *der-*
- Prof. Dolf Rami (Philosophy, University of Bochum): semantics of the existence predicate
- Prof. Pritty Patel-Grosz (University of Oslo): IPG\_CORE (supervisor of Marie-Sklódowska Curie Fellowship); pronouns in the complement clauses of attitude predicates

## 7– Teaching, advising, and reviewing

### **Eberhard-Karls Universität Tübingen** (German Department; BA-level and MA-level):

- Winter 2021/22 – Experimental syntax: scrambling
- Summer 2021 – Introduction to empirical studies: discourse particles (HS/OS)
- Winter 2020/21 – Corpuslinguistic methods (HS/OS)  
– Pronouns (HS/OS)
- Summer 2019 – Dialectal Variation (HS/OS)
- Winter 2018/19 – Introduction to Linguistics (PSI)  
– Objective and subjective meaning (HS/OS)  
– Introduction to corpus studies: adjectives (HS/OS, with Edith Scheifele)
- Summer 2018 – Parts of Speech (HS, scientific methods)  
– Discourse Particles (HS/OS)
- Winter 2017/18 – Discourse Models (HS/OS)
- Summer 2017 – Introduction to Linguistics (PSI)  
– Semantics and Pragmatics of Questions (HS/OS)
- Winter 2015/16 – Introduction to Linguistics (PSI)  
– Temporal Semantics (HS/OS)
- Summer 2015 – Corpus Linguistic Methods for Lexical Semantics (HS/OS, with Claudia Maienborn)  
– Compositional Semantics (HS/OS)
- Winter 2014/15 – Introduction to Linguistics (PSI)  
– Conditionals (HS/OS)
- Summer 2014 – Introduction to Linguistics (PSI)  
– Attitude Verbs (HS/OS)
- Winter 2013/14 – Introduction to Linguistics (PSI)  
– German Syntax (PSII)
- Summer 2013 – Introduction to Linguistics (PSI)

### **Georg-August Universität Göttingen** (BA-level and MA-level):

- Winter 2016/17 – Introduction to Semantic Theory (VL, English Department)  
– LabClass 4 & 5 (accompanies the Intro, SE, English Department)  
– Presuppositions (SE, English Department)  
– Oberseminar English Linguistics (with Hedde Zeijlstra) (OS, English Department)
- Sommer 2016 – Introduction to Semantic Theory (VL, English Department)  
– LabClass 1 (accompanies the Intro, SE, English Department)  
– Adjectives and Adverb(ial)s (SE, English Department)  
– Attitude verbs and attitude ascriptions (SE, English Department)  
– Oberseminar English Linguistics (with Hedde Zeijlstra) (OS, English Department)  
– Oberseminar Theoretische Philosophie (with Dolf Rami) (OS, Philosophy Department)
- Winter 2014/15 – Corpus linguistic methods (German Department)

- Summer 2013 – Introduction to Programming for Linguists (German Department)  
 Winter 2012/13 – Introduction to Semantics (Linguistics Department)  
 Summer 2011 – Semantics and Pragmatics  
 – Introduction to  $\LaTeX$  (Linguistics Department)  
 Winter 2010/11 – Introduction to Semantics (Linguistics Department)

**Additional teaching experience:**

- Spring 2020 Five sessions of the MA course “Introduction to Super Linguistics”, University of Oslo (LING 4160; taught by: Pritty Patel-Grosz)  
 Topic: diagnosing types of content and context dependence
- August 2018 Two courses at *Eastern Generative Grammar 2018* summer school  
 – “The Semantics of Perspective Sensitivity”  
 – “Intro to Pragmatics”
- August 2014 Course at *European Summer School in Language Logic and Information 2014*  
 “A (Non-)Uniform Approach to Pronominal Semantics” (co-taught with Patrick Grosz)
- 2007–2009 Various teaching assistantships  
[University of Vienna](#) and [Vienna University of Technology](#)  
 Introduction to General Linguistics, Sprachwissenschaftliches Proseminar (Introduction to basic linguistic terminology), Introduction to Semantics; Computermathematik (Introduction to mathematical computing environments)

**Advising and reviewing**

- Second advisor** Sizen Ertan Lyutfi – MA-thesis (Department of Linguistics and Scandinavian Studies, Univ. Oslo, 06/2021)  
*Title:* The spectrum of modality of the Bulgarian modal verbs *trjabva* and *moga*
- First reviewer** Mareike Inhoff – BA-thesis (Deutsches Seminar, Univ. Tübingen, 02/2020)  
*Title:* Zum Kombinationspotential von attributiv verwendeten Einstellungsadjektiven
- Berfin Elif Cevirme – BA-thesis (Deutsches Seminar, Univ. Tübingen, 02/2020)  
*Title:* Wie verhält sich die Diskurspartikel *bloß* in Imperativsätzen? – Eine Studie zur Vorfeldfähigkeit der Diskurspartikel *bloß* im Ostfränkischen und Zentral-schwäbischen
- Michaela Lieb – BA-thesis (Deutsches Seminar, Univ. Tübingen, 05/2019)  
*Title:* Wie es die Schwaben mit dem *heben* handhaben – Zum Ausmaß der Ersetzbarkeit von Standarddeutsch *halten* mit Schwäbisch *heben*
- Yidong Yu – MA-thesis (Sem. für Engl. Phil., Univ. Göttingen, 02/2018)  
*Title:* On Belief
- Anna Hänle – BA-thesis (Deutsches Seminar, Univ. Tübingen, 12/2017)  
*Title:* Die Erkennung von Rückblicken anhand von Temporaladverbialen im Roman *Die Herren von Winterfell*”; BA-Thesis
- Dóra Kata Takács – MA-thesis (MA Linguistics, Univ. Göttingen, 08/2017)  
*Title:* On the distinct presuppositional behavior of two subclasses of factive predicates. Experimental investigations on the defeasibility of factive presuppositions and their behavior in false belief contexts

Johanna Fuchs – BA-thesis (Seminar für Englische Philologie, Univ. Göttingen, 05/2017)

*Title:* ‘Actually, you know, I am just like so there’—on discourse particles and their status in the English language

**Second reviewer** Lisa Weiß – MA-thesis (Deutsches Seminar, Univ. Tübingen, 09/2019)

*Title:* Zur schwäbisch-bairischen Diskurspartikel *fei* und ihrer Verwendung in Entscheidungsfragen

Ida Sanders – MA-thesis (Deutsches Seminar, Univ. Tübingen, 08/2019)

*Title:* *Dieses Thema ist das meine*: Possessiva mit bestimmtem Artikel

Xinyao Liu – MA-thesis (Deutsches Seminar, Univ. Tübingen, 03/2018)

*Title:* Der Vergleich zwischen *werden* mit Infinitiv und Präsens mit Zukunftsbezug

Julia Ensle – MA-thesis (Deutsches Seminar, Univ. Tübingen, 08/2017)

*Title:* *Ich plane eine Masterarbeit und ich plane, diese rechtzeitig abzugeben* – eine intensionale Analyse des Einstellungsverbs *planen*

Qian Li – MA-thesis (Deutsches Seminar, Univ. Tübingen, 07/2017)

*Title:* Inferenzschemata der intensionalen Adjektive *ehemalig* und *angeblich*

Bo Yang – MA-thesis (Deutsches Seminar, Univ. Tübingen, 03/2017)

*Title:* Novel Definites und ihre Verarbeitung im Deutschen/Mandarin: Small World vs. Familiarität

Gisela Grohne – MA-thesis (Seminar für Englische Philologie, Univ. Göttingen, 05/2016)

*Title:* Frageneinbettung: Embedding Questions

Friederike Wessels – BA-thesis (Sprachwissenschaftliches Seminar, Univ. Göttingen, 01/2013)

*Title:* Implizite Sprechakte und Implikaturen

Stefanie Wolf – BA-thesis (Sprachwissenschaftliches Seminar, Univ. Göttingen, 10/2012)

*Title:* Zum Status von indirekten Sprechakten

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