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Academic Appointments

University of Maryland

2017 — Associate Professor of Linguistics (with Tenure)

previously:

2014–2017 Assistant Professor of Linguistics

2012-2014 Syracuse University

Assistant Professor of Linguistics

2011-2012 *concurrent:*

Harvard University

Post-doctoral Research Fellow, Polinsky Language Science Lab

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Post-doctoral Teaching Associate, Department of Linguistics & Philosophy

Education

2011 Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Ph.D. in Linguistics

2006 Tel Aviv University

M.A. in Linguistics

2004 Tel Aviv University

B.Sc. in Computer Science and in Linguistics

Publications

to appear Functional structure in the noun phrase: revisiting Hebrew nominals. Glossa.

[with Maria Polinsky] The Agreement Theta Generalization. Glossa 4(1): 102.

DOI: 10.5334/gjgl.936

2019 What the PCC tells us about "abstract" agreement, head movement, and locality. *Glossa* 4(1): 13.

DOI: 10.5334/gjgl.315

2018 Back to the Future: Non-generation, filtration, and the heartbreak of interface-driven

minimalism. In Syntactic Structures after 60 Years: The Impact of the Chomyskan Revolution in

	Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter.
2017	[with Jessica Coon] Split ergativity is not about ergativity. In <i>The Handbook of Ergativity</i> , ed. Jessica Coon, Diane Massam & Lisa Travis, 226–252. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
2017	How can feature-sharing be asymmetric? Valuation as UNION over geometric feature structures. In <i>A Pesky Set: Papers for David Pesetsky</i> , ed. Claire Halpert, Hadas Kotek & Coppe van Urk, 493–502. Cambridge, MA: MITWPL.
2015	[with Jaklin Kornfilt] Nominative as <i>no case at all</i> : an argument from raising-to-accusative in Sakha. In <i>Proceedings of the 9th Workshop on Altaic Formal Linguistics (WAFL 9)</i> , MIT Working Papers in Linguistics 76, ed. Andrew Joseph & Esra Predolac, 109–120. Cambridge, MA: MITWPL.
2015	[with Theodore Levin] Case in Sakha: are two modalities really necessary? <i>Natural Language & Linguistic Theory</i> 33(1): 231–250. DOI: 10.1007/S11049-014-9250-Z
2014	Agreement and its failures. Linguistic Inquiry Monographs 68. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.
2014	[with Jessica Coon and Pedro Mateo Pedro] The role of case in A-bar extraction asymmetries: evidence from Mayan. <i>Linguistic Variation</i> 14(2): 179–242. DOI: 10.1075/lv.14.2.01coo
2014	[with Maria Polinsky] Case and grammatical relations. In <i>The Routledge Handbook of Syntax</i> , ed. Andrew Carnie, Daniel Siddiqi & Yosuke Sato, 150–166. London: Routledge.
2013	That's not how you agree: A reply to Zeijlstra. <i>The Linguistic Review</i> 30(3): 491–500. DOI: 10.1515/tlr-2013-0015
2013	"Agreement." In <i>Oxford Bibliographies in Linguistics</i> , ed. Mark Aronoff. New York: Oxford University Press. url: http://www.oxfordbibliographies.com/obo/page/linguistics
2012	The absence of an implicit object in unergatives: new and old evidence from Basque. [The journal formerly known as <i>Lingua</i>] 122(3): 278–288. DOI: 10.1016/j.lingua.2011.04.007
2012	[with Jessica Coon] Towards a unified account of person splits. In <i>Proceedings of the 29th West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL 29)</i> , ed. Jaehoon Choi, Alan Houge, Jessamyn Schertz, Jeff Punske, Deniz Tat & Alex Trueman, 310–318. Somerville, MA: Cascadilla Press.
2011	Asymmetries between person and number in syntax: a commentary on Baker's SCOPA. <i>Natural Language & Linguistic Theory</i> 29(4): 917–937. DOI: 10.1007/s11049-011-9155-z
2010	Nested interrogatives and the locus of <i>wh</i> . In <i>The complementizer phase: subjects and operators</i> , ed. E. Phoevos Panagiotidis, 200–235. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
2010	Failure to agree is not a failure: phi-agreement with post-verbal subjects in Hebrew. In <i>Linguistic Variation Yearbook 9</i> , ed. Jeroen Van Craenenbroeck & Johan Rooryck, 241–278. Amsterdam: John Benjamins. DOI: 10.1075/livy.9.07pre
2009	Breaking agreements: distinguishing agreement and clitic-doubling by their failures. <i>Linguistic Inquiry</i> 40(4): 619–666. DOI: 10.1162/ling.2009.40.4.619
2009	Long-distance agreement without probe-goal relations. In <i>Towards a derivational syntax:</i> Survive-minimalism, ed. Michael T. Putnam, 41–56. Amsterdam: John Benjamins.
2009	[with Tal Siloni] Nominal voices. In <i>Quantification, definiteness, and nominalization</i> , ed. Anastasia Giannakidou & Monika Rathert, Vol. 24 of Oxford Studies in Theoretical Linguistics, 364–384. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Linguistics, ed. Norbert Hornstein, Howard Lasnik, Pritty Patel-Grosz & Charles Yang, 355–380.

[with Jessica Coon] Positional roots and case absorption. In Proceedings of SSILA 2008 (the 2009 Society for the Study of Indigenous Languages of the Americas), ed. Heriberto Avelino, Jessica Coon & Elisabeth Norcliffe, 35-58. Cambridge, MA: MITWPL. 2008 [with Naama Friedmann, Rama Novogrodsky & Ronit Szterman] Resumptive pronouns as last resort when movement is impaired: relative clauses in hearing impairment. In Current issues in generative Hebrew linguistics, ed. Sharon Armon-Lotem, Susan Rothstein & Gabi Danon, 267-290. Amsterdam: John Benjamins. 2008 (Im)perfect Domains: yet another theory of syntactic movement. In Proceedings of the 26th West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL 26), ed. Charles B. Chang & Hannah J. Haynie, 402–410. Somerville, MA: Cascadilla Press. 2006 Nested interrogatives and the locus of wh. In Proceedings of the 22nd conference of the Israeli Association for Theoretical Linguistics (IATL 22), ed. Yehuda Falk. Argument-mapping and extraction. In *Proceedings of the 36th meeting of the North East* 2006 Linguistic Society (NELS 36), ed. Christopher Davis, Amy Rose Deal & Youri Zabbal, 493-504. Amherst, MA: GLSA. Cited unpublished work The Anaphor Agreement Effect: further evidence against binding-as-agreement. Ms. 2019 [with Maria Polinsky] Agreement and semantic concord: a spurious unification. Ms. 2015 [with Jessica Coon] Transitivity in Chol: a new argument for the Split-VP Hypothesis. Ms. 2011 Presentations Refereed Conference Presentations Person & Perspective: a workshop in honor of María Luisa Zubizarreta [Los Angeles, CA] May 2019 "The modular locus of the Person Case Constraint" 1st Annual Thematic Workshop of Linguistics in Göttingen (LinG1) [Göttingen] Sep 2018 "The Anaphor Agreement Effect: further evidence against anaphora-as-agreement" 10th Brussels Conference on Generative Linguistics (BCGL 10) [Brussels] Dec 2017 "Assessing the morphosemantic program for phi-features: the prospects of a cross-modularly stable representation" Oct 2017 48th meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS 48), special session on the Typology of Case [Revkjavík] "No case for agreement (as a causer of case)" 40th GLOW (Generative Linguistics in the Old World) Colloquium [Leiden] Mar 2017 [with Theodore Levin] "M-MERGER as relabeling: a new approach to head movement and nounincorporation" (poster presentation) Workshop on Alternatives to Formal Features, at the 37th Annual Meeting of the German Mar 2015 Society of Linguistics (DGfS 37) [Leipzig] "Syntactic operations exceed what the interfaces can account for (or: The heartbreak of interface-

driven syntax)"

Sep 2013	Workshop on Differential Subject Marking and Ergativity, at the 46th Annual Meeting of the Societas Linguistica Europaea (SLE 2013) [Split (Croatia)] [with Jessica Coon] "Severing Differential Subject Marking from Ergativity"
Aug 2013	9th Workshop on Altaic Formal Linguistics (WAFL 9) [Ithaca, NY] [with Jaklin Kornfilt] "Nominative as no case at all: An argument from raising-to-ACC in Sakha"
Sep 2012	Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Association of Great Britain (LAGB 2012) [Manchester] [with Theodore Levin] "Case in Sakha: Are Two Modalities Really Necessary?"
Apr 2011	29th West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL 29) [Tucson, AZ] 47th annual meeting of the Chicago Linguistic Society (CLS 47) [Chicago, IL] [with Jessica Coon] "Towards a unified account of person splits"
Jan 2011 Oct 2010	85th Winter Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA 85) [Pittsburgh, PA] 41st meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS 41) [Philadelphia, PA] [with Jessica Coon] "Transitivity in Chol: A new argument for the Split VP Hypothesis"
Jan 2010 Nov 2009	84th Winter Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA 84) [Baltimore, MD] University of the Basque Country (UPV/EHU) Workshop on Ergativity [Bilbao] "Basque unergatives, case-competition, and ergative as inherent case"
Mar 2008	31st GLOW (Generative Linguistics in the Old World) Colloquium [Newcastle] "Long-distance agreement in Basque, locally speaking"
Jun 2007 Apr 2007	2nd Brussels Conference on Generative Linguistics (BCGL 2) [Brussels] 26th West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL 26) [Berkeley, CA] "Perfect domains"
Jul 2006 May 2006	22nd conference of the Israeli Association for Theoretical Linguistics (IATL 22) Edges in Syntax [Nicosia] "Feature-inheritance at the phase boundary"
Oct 2005	36th meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS 36) [Amherst, MA] "Argument-mapping and extraction" (poster presentation)
	Invited Conference Presentations
Jun 2018	Groningen Syntax Workshop [Groningen] "How to tell a syntactic phenomenon when you see it"
Feb 2017	Workshop in Honor of David Pesetsky's 60th Birthday [Cambridge, MA] "Case in 2017: some thoughts"
Feb 2017	43rd annual conference of the Berkeley Linguistics Society (BLS 43) [Berkeley, CA] "Privativity in Syntax"
Sep 2016	Stanford Workshop on Head Movement [Stanford, CA] "What the PCC tells us about 'abstract' agreement, head movement, and locality"
Oct 2015	46th meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS 46) [Montreal, QC] "Head movement, phrasal movement, and clitic doubling: towards a principled typology of locality conditions"
Oct 2015	Cornell Workshop on Aspect [Ithaca, NY] "Aspect-tense dissociations and their consequences for case & agreement"

"How to Make Things Happen in the Grammar: the Implementation of Obligatoriness" — Sep 2015 Workshop held as part of TbiLLC 2015: the Eleventh International Tbilisi Symposium on Language, Logic and Computation [Tbilisi] "The grammar(s) of ungrammaticality" 17th Seoul International Conference on Generative Grammar (SICOGG 17) — Kyung Hee Aug 2015 University [Seoul] plenary speaker: four 3-hour lectures on case and agreement in generative grammar Dec 2011 6th Brussels Conference on Generative Linguistics (BCGL 6) [Brussels] "Filters vs. Triggers: deriving the obligatoriness of agreement" Other Invited Talks Oct 2019 University of Oslo "The Anaphor Agreement Effect: further evidence against binding-as-agreement" May 2019 The University of Tromsø – The Arctic University of Norway [Tromsø] Three talks on the theme of Syntax & Modularity • "What are phi-features supposed to do, and where?" (part of the Thirty Million Theories of Features workshop, organized by Peter Svenonius) • "The Anaphor Agreement Effect: further evidence against binding-as-agreement" • "The PCC, the no-null-agreement generalization, and clitic doubling as long head movement" Feb 2017 Berkeley Syntax & Semantics Circle [Berkeley, CA] May 2016 Centre for General Linguistics (ZAS) [Berlin] "What the PCC tells us about 'abstract' agreement, head movement, and locality" May 2016 University of Leipzig – IGRA Colloquium Series [Leipzig] "Feeding relations and their breakdowns: a theory of dative intervention" Apr 2015 NYU Syntax Brown-Bag [New York, NY] University of Connecticut Linguistics Colloquium [Storrs, CT] Apr 2015 "Upwards and onwards" Feb 2015 UCLA Linguistics Colloquium [Los Angeles, CA] "Beyond interface conditions" Oct 2014 UMass Amherst Linguistics Colloquium [Amherst, MA] Oct 2014 University of Delaware Linguistics Colloquium [Newark, DE] Georgetown University, Department of Linguistics, Friday Speaker Series [Washington, DC] Sep 2014 "The syntax (and morphology) of non-valuation" Apr 2014 University of Maryland Department of Linguistics Colloquium [College Park, MD] "Correlation and causation in case & agreement" Cornell University Department of Linguistics Colloquium [Ithaca, NY] Feb 2014 "Beyond interface conditions" Nov 2012 McGill University Ling-Lunch [Montreal, QC] "Partial agreement and the direction of valuation" Feb 2012 NYU Syntax Brown-Bag [New York, NY] "Agreement in Kichean and Zulu: filtration vs. strict generativity"

Dec 2011	Ben-Gurion University Linguistics Colloquium [Beer-Sheva] "Against 'crashes': evidence from Kichean and Zulu"
Mar 2011	LUCL Syntax Lab [Leiden] "The nature of syntactic computation: evidence from agreement"
Oct 2010	Yale Syntax Colloquium [New Haven, CT] "The origins of obligatoriness: evidence from agreement failures"
Apr 2008	CUNY Syntax-Supper [New York, NY] "Breaking agreements: distinguishing agreement and clitic-doubling by their failures"
Jan 2008	Ben-Gurion University Linguistics Colloquium [Beer-Sheva] "Agreement, its reach, and its failures: the case of dialectal Basque"
Apr 2007	Harvard University Linguistic Theory Reading Group [Cambridge, MA] "Perfect domains"

Teaching

Semester-Length Courses

	University of Maryland, Dept. of Linguistics
Spr. 2020	 graduate: <i>Issues in Syntax</i> (a.k.a. <i>Grad Syntax II</i>), co-taught w/Norbert Hornstein undergraduate: <i>Syntax II</i>
Fall 2019	• graduate: Syntactic Theory (a.k.a. Grad Syntax I), co-taught w/Howard Lasnik
Spr. 2019	• undergraduate: Syntax II
Fall 2018 Spr. 2018	 graduate: Agreement undergraduate: Intro to Morphology graduate: Issues in Syntax (a.k.a. Grad Syntax II), co-taught w/Norbert Hornstein
Fall 2017	 graduate: Topics in Morphology graduate: Linguistic Theory and Computation, co-taught w/Philip Resnik & Ellen Lau
Spr. 2017	 graduate: <i>Issues in Syntax</i> (a.k.a. <i>Grad Syntax II</i>), co-taught w/Norbert Hornstein graduate: <i>Linguistic Field Methods</i>, co-taught w/Maria Polinsky; language: Georgian
Fall 2016	 graduate: Linguistic Field Methods, co-taught w/Maria Polinsky; language: Georgian graduate: Head movement, noun incorporation, and clitic doubling, co-taught w/Theodore Levin
Spr. 2016	 graduate: Structure of Mayan Languages, co-taught w/Maria Polinsky undergraduate: Syntax II
Spr. 2015	 graduate: <i>Issues in Syntax</i> (a.k.a. <i>Grad Syntax II</i>), co-taught w/Norbert Hornstein undergraduate: <i>Syntax II</i>
Fall 2014	• graduate: Linguistic Field Methods (language: Oromo)

Syracuse University, Dept. of Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics

Spr. 2014 • graduate: Linguistic Field Methods (language: Shi)

• undergraduate: *Languages of the World (Introduction to Linguistics)*

Fall 2013 • graduate: *Advanced Syntax*

• undergraduate: English Words: A Linguistic Introduction

Spr. 2013 • graduate: Linguistic Field Methods (language: Kinyarwanda)

Fall 2012 • graduate: *Comparative Morphosyntax*

• undergraduate: English Words: A Linguistic Introduction

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Dept. of Linguistics & Philosophy

Spr. 2012 • undergraduate: *Introduction to Linguistics*

Fall 2011 • graduate: Syntactic Models

Shorter Courses

NYI: The NY-St. Petersburg Institute of Linguistics, Cognition, and Culture (directed by John F. Bailyn)

Jul 2019 • 3-week course: The Structure of Human Language: An Introduction to Syntax

Jul-Aug • 3-week course: The Structure of Human Language: An Introduction to Syntax

• 3-week course: *Three Puzzles in Syntax & Semantics*, co-taught with Asya Pereltsvaig and Daniel Altshuler

Jul 2017 • 3-week course: *The many failures of* Agree

LOT (Netherlands Graduate School of Linguistics) Summer School

Jun 2018 • 1-week course: Person, Number, and the Architecture of Grammar (Groningen)

University of Bucharest / Institute of Linguistics of the Romanian Academy

Oct 2016 • 2-day seminar: Agreement: a crash-course

ACTL (*Advanced Core Training in Linguistics* summer school, in London; run jointly by Cambridge, Essex, Kent, Oxford, QMUL, SOAS, and UCL)

Jun 2013 • 1-week course: *The Syntax of Phi*

Lectures at LUCL (Leiden)

Mar 2011 • 3-day seminar: Agreement and case: Patterns, interactions, and implications

Eastern Generative Grammar (EGG) summer-school

Aug 2010 • 1-week course: *Introduction to Syntax, part 2*

• 1-week course: Recent developments in the theory of ergativity

Aug 2009 • 2-week course: Introduction to Syntax

• 1-week course: Agreement and its failures

Supervision

Ph.D. theses - supervision

University of Maryland

• Dongwoo Park, When does Ellipsis Occur, and What is Elided?

[co-supervisor, w/Howard Lasnik]

current position:

Assistant Professor (Tenure-Track), Department of English Language and Literature, Korea National Open University

Ph.D. theses - committee membership

University of Maryland

- Anton Malko, *The role of structural information in the resolution of long-distance dependencies* [committee member]
- Sayaka Goto, A Theory of Generalized Pied-Piping [committee member]

Other Institutions

- Tomohiro Yokoyama (University of Toronto), *The Person Case Constraint: Unconditional Interfaces and Faultless Derivations* [committee member]
- Theodore Levin (Massachusetts Institute of Technology), Licensing without Case [committee member]
- Laura Siebecker (Georgetown University), The Basque Auxiliary Verb: Morphosyntactic

 Analysis and Implications for Second Language Acquisition [committee member]

Ph.D. candidacy / qualifying papers

University of Maryland

- Sigwan Thivierge, Expanding Agreement Domains: Phase Unlocking in Georgian Agreement [co-supervisor]
- Rodrigo Ranero, Voice Mismatches in Kaqchikel Sluicing: Consequences for Syntactic

 Parallelism [co-supervisor]
- Suyoung Bae, Revisiting the nature of the Korean negative word 'amwu-' [co-supervisor]
- Maxime Papillon, *Precedence Graphs for Phonology* [committee member]
- Paulina Lyskawa, *The Structure of Polish numerically-quantified expressions* [co-supervisor]
- Dongwoo Park, Korean and Japanese Specificational Pseudoclefts as Focus NP Extraction

 [co-supervisor]

Other Institutions

2019

• Kinjal Joshi (University of Oslo), *Agreement Puzzles in Surati Gujarati*: midway Ph.D. evaluation

[external examiner]

M.A. theses

Syracuse University

2014

• Iara Mantenuto, Topics in Oneida

[supervisor]

2013 • Sözer

• Sözen Özkan, The Syntax of Multiple Internal Arguments in Turkish

[supervisor]

Fieldwork

UMD Guatemala Field Station

2017

• Associate Director, Summer Field School, May-June 2017

2016

• Associate Director, Summer Field School, June 2016

Service

Reviewing

Journals

Natural Language & Linguistic Theory (17 manuscripts); Linguistic Inquiry (member of Associate Editorial Board; 13 manuscripts, 4 squibs); Glossa [the journal formerly known as Lingua] (14 manuscripts); Syntax (4 manuscripts); Linguistic Variation (4 manuscripts); Language (2 manuscripts); Linguistic Analysis (2 manuscripts); Canadian Journal of Linguistics (2 manuscripts); The Linguistic Review (1 manuscript).

Book Series

Open Generative Syntax (LangSci Press), member of Editorial Board.

Conferences

30th, 32nd, 34th, 35th, 36th, and 38th West Coast Conferences on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL 30, 32, 34, 35, 36, and 38); 43rd, 45th, 47th, 48th, 49th, and 50th meetings of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS 43, 45, 47, 48, 49, and 50); 34th, 36th, 37th, 39th, 40th, 41st, and 42nd GLOW (Generative Linguistics in the Old World) Colloquia; 33rd and 35th conferences of the Israeli Association for Theoretical Linguistics (IATL 33 and 35); 50th and 52nd annual meetings of the Chicago Linguistic Society (CLS 50 and 52); 32nd Going Romance conference (2018); 2nd conference on Formal Approaches to Mayan Linguistics (FAMLi 2); 6th Brussels Conference on Generative Linguistics (BCGL 6); 18th meeting of the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association (AFLA 18); member of scientific committee for the Workshop on Unergative predicates: Architecture and variation (UnergPred18).

Misc.

National Science Foundation (NSF); National Research Foundation of Korea; Israel Science Foundation; Oxford Handbook of Ergativity (Oxford University Press); Romance Languages & Linguistic Theory 2010 & 2009 (John Benjamins).

2019	UMD Graduate School Summer Research Fellowships Committee, University of Maryland
2017-2018	member of Language Science Center (LSC) Grad Advising Committee, University of Maryland
2015-2017	member of College of Arts & Humanities (ARHU) Collegiate Council, University of Maryland
2015	Maryland Language Science Center, "Winter Storm" workshop: presenter, "Scales & Hierarchies as a Window into the Domain-Specificity Question"
2014	Tel Aviv University / University of Maryland joint workshop in linguistics: <i>co-organizer</i> [with Roni Katzir (TAU), Colin Phillips (UMD)]
2013	Syracuse University Tolley Minnowbrook Conference: discussant, "Digital Pedagogies"
2013	Syracuse University Future Professoriate Program Conference: <i>presenter</i> , "Using WordPress as a Teaching Platform"
2009	40th meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS 40): webmaster
2008-2009	MIT Linguistics Colloquium series: co-organizer
2008	syntax/semantics search committee, MIT Dept. of Linguistics & Philosophy: <i>student representative</i>

Languages Spoken

English (native), Hebrew (native), Spanish (conversational)

Other Professional Experience

Proficient in the following programming languages:

- C/C++
- Java
- Python

Held positions as software developer at the following companies:

2003-2005 Cav Systems (Caesarea, Israel)

2001–2003 Personeta, Inc. (Hod-HaSharon, Israel)

1994–1995 Intel, Inc. (Haifa, Israel)