

European Summer School in Linguistic Typology, Porquerolles 2016

Linguistic typology: traditional and canonical

Lecture plan and readings

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The course starts with a brief introduction to traditional typology, then concentrates on one recent development, Canonical Typology. We shall meet challenging and interesting languages, with ample opportunity for participants to participate with data, criticism and analyses.			
date	main topic	purpose	Optional reading (before or after the class). These items have plenty of references for further reading. And if you run out, do consult the Canonical Typology bibliography at: http://www.smg.surrey.ac.uk/approaches/canonical-typology/bibliography/
Monday 5th	1. Principles and criteria	Introduction to key ideas and techniques.	Greenberg, Joseph H. 1963. Some universals of grammar with particular reference to the order of meaningful elements. In: Joseph H. Greenberg (ed) <i>Universals of Language</i> , 73-113. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press. [Paperback edition 1966.] A great foundational paper; if you've read it, do read it again. WALS: Martin Haspelmath, Matthew S. Dryer, David Gil & Bernard Comrie (eds) <i>The World Atlas of Language Structures</i> , 130-133. Oxford: Oxford University Press. Online at: http://wals.info . http://wals.info/ . Dip in to whatever looks interesting. Corbett, Greville G. 2006. <i>Agreement</i> . Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. [chapter 1 and references there]
Tuesday 6th	2. Hierarchies	Seeing the power of hierarchies	Keenan, Edward & Bernard Comrie. 1977. Noun phrase accessibility and universal grammar. <i>Linguistic Inquiry</i> 8: 63-99. [Reprinted in Edward L. Keenan. 1987. <i>Universal Grammar: 15 Essays</i> , 3-45. London: Croom Helm.] A classic. GGC. 2010. Implicational hierarchies. In: Jae Jung Song (ed.) <i>The Oxford Handbook of Language Typology</i> , 190-205. Oxford: Oxford University Press. At: www.academia.edu/6033174/Implicational_hierarchies . An introduction.
Thursday 8th	3. Morphology	Understanding the range of inflectional phenomena	GGC. 2007. Canonical typology, suppletion and possible words. <i>Language</i> 83.8-42. [available at: http://www.surrey.ac.uk/english/people/greville_g_corbett/]
Friday 9th	4. The typology of features	Addressing cross-linguistic comparison. (the 'correspondence problem').	Browse the relevant sections of WALS: http://wals.info/ (go to 'features' then 'nominal categories') GGC. 2006. <i>Agreement</i> . Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. [especially chap. 4] Take a look at the Surrey Morphology Group databases at: http://www.surrey.ac.uk/LIS/SMG/ (select 'web resources')

	interval	Now's the time to catch up on some reading about Canonical Typology, for instance:	<p>Brown, Dunstan & Marina Chumakina. 2013. What there might be and what there is: an introduction to Canonical Typology. In Dunstan Brown, Marina Chumakina & Greville G. Corbett (eds) <i>Canonical Morphology and Syntax</i>, 1-19. Oxford: Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Bond, Oliver. 2013. A base for canonical negation. In Dunstan Brown, Marina Chumakina & Greville G. Corbett (eds) <i>Canonical Morphology and Syntax</i>, 20-47. Oxford: Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Forker, Diana. 2016. Conceptualization in current approaches of language typology. <i>Acta Linguistica Hafniensia</i> 48.70-84.</p>
Monday 12th	5. Canonical morpho-syntactic features	An instance of what we learn when we push canonical definitions to the logical end point	<p>GGC. 2011. The penumbra of morphosyntactic feature systems. <i>Morphology</i> 21.445-480. doi:10.1007/s11525-010-9171-4. [Preprint available on my University webpage.]</p> <p>GGC. 2012. Canonical morphosyntactic features. In: Dunstan Brown, Marina Chumakina & Greville G. Corbett (eds) <i>Canonical Morphology and Syntax</i>, 48-65. Oxford: Oxford University Press. [Preprint available on my University webpage.]</p>
Tuesday 13th	6. Lexical splits and complex morphology	Applying CT down to the level of individual lexemes.	<p>GGC. 2015. Morphosyntactic complexity: a typology of lexical splits. <i>Language</i> 91.145-193. DOI: 10.1353/lan.2015.0003. Available online</p> <p>Stump, Gregory. 2016. <i>Inflectional Paradigms: Content and form at the syntax-morphology interface</i>. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.</p>
Thursday 15th	7. Gender and classifiers	Using typology for the most challenging data	Enjoy the Mian and Kilivila collection, at: http://www.mian-kilivila.surrey.ac.uk/
Friday 16th	8. How to do Canonical Typology	Having a go at using the techniques together	Find out what you can about pluralia tantum, in languages you know - and in additional languages if you have time.

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