

DGfS 2008

Gestures: A comparison of signed and spoken languages

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Programme AG 11

Wednesday, February 27, 2008

- 14:00-14:30 Konrad Ehlich (München/ Berlin, Germany)
Nonverbal – international? Oder von der vermeintlichen Universalität der Gestik und ihren universal-theoretischen Gründen
- 14:30-15:00 Adam Kendon (Philadelphia, Naples, USA/ Italy)
Some reflections on ‘gesture’ and ‘sign’
- 15:00-15:30 Christian Rathmann (University of Bristol, England)
Iconicity, Lexicalization and Grammaticization: Implications for Sign vs. Gesture
- 15:30-16:00 Jennie Pyers (Wellesley College, Boston, USA), Pamela Perniss (MPI for Psycholinguistics and Radboud University Nijmegen, The Netherlands), Karen Emmorey (San Diego State University, San Diego, USA)
Viewpoint in the visual-spatial modality
- 16:00-16:30 coffee break
- 16:30-17:00 Pamela Perniss, Asli Özyürek (MPI for Psycholinguistics and Radboud University Nijmegen, The Netherlands)
A cross-linguistic comparison of co-speech gesture and sign: Constraints on the visual-spatial modality in representations of motion events
- 17:00-17:30 Franz Dotter, Marlene Hilzensauer, Elisabeth Bergmeister, Silke Bornholdt, Christian Hausch, Klaudia Krammer Anita Pirker, Andrea Skant, Natalie Unterberger (Research centre for sign language and deaf communication Klagenfurt University, Austria)
Comparison of the use of spatial gestures during speaking or signing
- 17:30-18:00 David Quinto-Pozos (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA), Fey Parrill (Case Western Reserve University, USA)
Enactment as a communicative strategy: A comparison between English co-speech gesture and American Sign Language
- 18:00-18:30 Renate Fischer/ Simon Kollien (University of Hamburg, Germany)
Sound symbolism in GSL?

Thursday, February 28, 2008

- 09:00-09:30 Sherman Wilcox (University of New Mexico, USA)
Two Routes from Gesture to Language
- 09:30-10:00 Ronnie B. Wilbur, Evguenia Malaia (Purdue University, Sign Language
Linguistics Research Laboratory, USA)
*From Encyclopedic Semantics to Grammatical Aspects: Converging
Evidence From ASL and Co-Speech Gestures*
- 10:00-10:30 Cornelia Müller (European University Viadrina, Germany)
*Creating gestures and signs: gestural modes of representation and classifiers
in sign-languages*
- 10:30-11:00 Dorothea Cogill-Koez (Language and Cognition Research Centre University
of New England, Australia)
*Reanalysing gesture in terms of channel, representational principle, and
structural level: A common ground beneath signed and spoken
communication systems?*
- 11:00-11:30 coffee break
- 11:30-12:00 Gisela Fehrmann (University of Cologne, Germany)
*Shifters: The gestural dimension of symbolic reference in German Sign
language*
- 12:00-12:30 Jana Bressemer, Silva Ladewig (VW-Project “Towards a Grammar of Gesture“,
European University Viadrina, Germany)
*Discovering structures in gestures on the basis of the four parameters of Sign
Language*
- 12:30-13:00 Gaurav Mathur (Gallaudet University Washington D.C., USA)
Does gesture have phonology? Insights from signed languages

Friday, February 29, 2008

- 09:00-09:30 Susanne Tag (VW-Project “Towards a Grammar of Gesture“, European
University Viadrina, Germany)
Simultaneity in Co-speech Gestures
- 09:30-10:00 Paula Marentette, Elena Nicoladis (University of Alberta, Canada)
*Iconicity and simultaneity in the gesture-language link: A comparison of ASL
signers and English speakers*

10:00-10:30 Myriam Vermeerbergen (Fund for Scientific Research-Flanders/ Universiteit van Amsterdam/ University of the Free State, Belgium/ The Netherlands),
Eline Demey (Ghent University, Belgium)

Sign + Gesture = Speech + Gesture? Comparing Aspects of Simultaneity in Flemish Sign Language to Instances of Concurrent Speech and Gesture

10:30-11:00 coffee break

11:00-11:30 Phyllis Perrin Wilcox (University of New Mexico, USA)

Substantiation of Metonymy in American Sign Language

11:30-12:00 Irene Mittelberg (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, The Netherlands)

Contiguity relationships within and across semiotic modes: A Jakobsonian perspective on metonymy