Measuring (un)grammaticality in psycholinguistics
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The task of comprehending spoken language is notoriously challenging, because spoken language is highly variable. The sources of this variation are manifold and range from regional and non-native accents to the presence of incomplete utterances and variants that deviate in grammar from written sentences. Psycholinguists attempt to understand how listeners deal with such variation in everyday communication, how they represent and store variants, and under what circumstances processing of variants may be enhanced or disrupted. In this talk I will present several online and offline studies that examine how linguistic and extralinguistic factors affect processing of (un)grammaticality.