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Academic Employment

06.2021 -	**Postdoctoral Researcher**
	Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona
	Project: Abstract nouns: polysemy and countability
	Beatriu de Pinós programme (Horizon 2020 MSCA COFUND)
07.2020 - 05.2021	**Postdoctoral Researcher in Semantics**
	Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf, Germany
	Project: Individuation of eventualities and abstract things (DFG)
	PI: Prof. Hana Filip
10.2014 - 06.2020	**Postdoctoral Researcher in Semantics**
	Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf, Germany
	Project C09: Frame Based Approaches to Countability (DFG CRC 991)
	PI: Prof. Hana Filip
10.2010 - 09.2014	**Graduate Teaching Assistant**
	King's College London, UK

Education

10.2009 - 12.2013	**Doctor of Philosophy in Philosophy (pass without corrections)**
	King's College London, UK
	Title: Vagueness, Communication, and Semantic Information
	Supervisors: Shalom Lappin, Ruth Kempson, Mark Textor
	Examiners: Robin Cooper and Dorothy Edgington
09.2005 - 07.2007	**M.A. in Theoretical Philosophy (*eximia cum laude approbatur*)**
	University of Helsinki, Finland
	Minor subject: Finnish language
09.2001 - 06.2004	**B.A. (hons) in Philosophy, First Class**
	University of Manchester, United Kingdom

Fellowships, bursaries, and other funding

Competitively Acquired 3rd Party Funding

04.2021 - 03.2024	**Beatriu de Pinós Fellowship (Horizon 2020 MSCA COFUND)** Description: 3 year grant for the project *Abstract nouns: polysemy and countability* Value: € 156,300
08.2012 - 12.2012	**Norman-Malcolm Fellowship** Description: Visiting Fellowship at Cornell University, USA Maintenance and travel costs. Value: approx. $13.000
10.2010 - 06.2012	**Arts and Humanities Research Council PhD Funding** Description: Full Scholarship for PhD studies Maintenance and tuition fees. Value: approx. £35.000

Other Competitively Acquired Funding

10.2009 - 06.2010	**Sorabji Graduate Bursary** Description: Stipend awarded by Dept. of Philosophy, King's College London Maintenance costs. Value: £1.000

Publications

Overview

Type of Publication	Quantity	Notes
Journal Articles	4	First author in 4/4.
Peer-reviewed book chapters	8	First author in 5/8.
Proceedings papers	9	First author in 6/9.
Edited volumes	2	
PhD Thesis	1	
Total	24	

Journal articles

Sutton, P. R. 2018. Probabilistic approaches to vagueness and semantic competency. Erkenntnis 83(4): 711-740.

Sutton, P. R. and H. Filip, 2018. Counting constructions and coercion: container, portion and measure interpretations. Oslo Studies in Language 10(2), 2018. 97–119.

Sutton, P. R. and H. Filip. 2017. Individuation, reliability and the mass/count distinction. Journal of Language Modelling 5(2): 303-356.

Sutton, P. R. and Filip, H. 2016. Mass/count variation, a mereological, two-dimensional semantics, in Rothstein, S. & J Šķilters (Eds.), The Baltic International Yearbook of Cognition, Logic and Communication, Vol. 11. New Prairie Press.

Peer-reviewed book chapters

Burnett, H., and P. R. Sutton. 2021. Vagueness and natural language semantics. in D. Gutzmann, L. Matthewson, C. Meier, H. Rullman and T.E. Zimmermann. The Wiley-Blackwell Companion to Semantics. Wiley-Blackwell Publishing.

Taylor, S. & P. R. Sutton. 2020. A frame-theoretic model of Bayesian category learning. In S. Löbner, T. Gamerschlag, T. Kalenscher, M. Schrenk & H. Zeevat (eds.), Concepts, Frames and Cascades in Semantics, Cognition and Ontology. Language, Cognition, and Mind series. Springer.

Erbach, Kurt, Peter R. Sutton & Hana Filip. 2019. Bare nouns and the Hungarian mass/count distinction. In: A. Silva, S. Staton, P. Sutton & C. Umbach (eds.), Language, Logic, and Computation, 12th International Tbilisi Symposium, TbiLLC 2017 (LNCS 11456), Springer, pp. 86–107.

Sutton, P. R. and H. Filip. 2021. Container, Portion and Measure Interpretations of Pseudo-Partitive Constructions. In: J. Pelletier, T. Kiss, and H. Husič (eds.) The Semantics of the Count-Mass Distinction. CUP.

Sutton P. R. and H. Filip. 2021. The count/mass distinction for granular nouns. In: H. Filip (ed.) Countability in Natural Language. CUP.

Sutton, P. R. and Filip, H. 2017. A probabilistic, mereological account of the mass/count distinction, Lecture Notes in Computer Science, Vol. 10148, pp. 146-170. Springer.

Sutton, P. R. 2015. Towards a probabilistic semantics for vague adjectives. In H. Zeevat and H-C Schmitz (eds.) Bayesian Natural Language Semantics and Pragmatics, pp. 221-246, Springer.

Sutton, P. R. and Filip, H. 2016. Countability: Individuation and Context. In: A. Foret, G. Morrill, R. Muskens, R. Osswald, and S. Pogodalla (eds.) Formal Grammar: Revised and selected papers from FG2015 and FG 2016, LNCS 9804, pp. 290-305, Springer.

Proceedings papers for peer reviewed conferences

Erbach, K., P. R. Sutton, H. Filip, & K. Byrdeck. 2017. 'Object Mass Nouns in Japanese'. In: A. Cremers, T. van Gessel, & F. Roelofsen eds. Proceedings of the 21st Amsterdam Colloquium. pp. 235-244.

Filip, H. & P. Sutton. 2017. 'Singular Count NPs in Measure Constructions'. In: D. Burgdorf, J. Collard, S. Maspong & B Stefánsdóttir, Semantics and Linguistic Theory 27, University of Maryland, College Park, USA. pp. 340-357.

Schuster, A., Strößner, C. Sutton, P.R., and Zeevat, H. 2020. Stochastic frames. Forthcoming in the in Christine Howes, Stergios Chatzikyriakidis, Adam Ek, Vidya Somashekarappa (eds.) Proceedings of Probability and Meaning in the ACL Anthology, 2020.

Sutton, P. R. and C-R Little. 2020,. The Finnish partitive in counting and measuring constructions. In Michael Franke, Nikola Kompa, Mingya Liu, Jutta L. Mueller, and Juliane Schwab (eds.), Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 24.

Sutton, P. R. and H. Filip. 2020. Informational Object Nouns and the mass/count distinction. In Michael Franke, Nikola Kompa, Mingya Liu, Jutta L. Mueller, and Juliane Schwab (eds.), Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 24.

Sutton, P. and H. Filip. 2019. Singular/Plural contrasts: The case of Informational Object Nouns. Proceedings of the 22nd Amsterdam Colloquium, pp 367–376.

Sutton, P. & H. Filip. 2018. Restrictions on Subkind Coercion in Object Mass Nouns. In R. Truswell, C. Cummins, C. Heycock, B. Rabern, and H. Rohde (eds.), Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 21. University of Edinburgh. pp. 1195-1213

Sutton, P. R. and Filip, H. 2016. Vagueness, overlap, and countability. Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 20, University of Tübingen. pp. 730-747.

Sutton, P. R. and Filip, H. 2016. Counting in context: Count/mass variation and restrictions on coercion in collective artifact nouns. Semantics and Linguistic Theory 26:350-370.

Edited volumes

Silva, S. Staton, P. Sutton & C. Umbach (eds.). 2019. Language, Logic, and Computation, 12th International Tbilisi Symposium, TbiLLC 2017 (LNCS 11456), Springer.

Rainer Osswald, Christian Retoré & Peter Sutton (eds.). 2019. Proceedings of the IWCS 2019 Workshop on Computing Semantics with Types, Frames and Related Structures

PhD Thesis

Sutton, P. (2013). Vagueness, communication and semantic information. PhD Thesis, King's College London.

Talks

Invited Talks

- *The Finnish partitive: countability, telicity, and (in)definiteness.* SynSem Colloquium, Universität Potsdam 3rd December, 2019
- *Informational Object Nouns and the Mass/Count Distinction.* Universität Wien 10th September, 2019 (with Hana Filip)
- *Individuation, Countability, and the Problem of the Many.* Research Colloquium for Logic and Epistemology Ruhr-Universität Bochum, 7th November, 2019
- *Prototypes as Bayesian Networks.* Probabilistic Approaches to (Prototype) Concepts Salzburg, 12th September, 2017
- *Restrictions on subkind coercion in object mass nouns.* University of Göttingen, Department of Philosophy Mittelbau Koloquium 12th June, 2017
- *Restrictions on subkind coercion in object mass nouns.* Linguistischer Arbeitskreiss (LAK), University of Cologne, 9th November, 2016
- *A probabilistic, mereological account of the mass/count distinction.* CLASP Seminar University of Gothenburg 30th November, 2016 (with Hana Filip)
- *Probabilities and Prototypes.* Workshop on Word Meaning, Cumberland Lodge, 23rd-24th April, 2014

– *Motivating a Probabilistic Semantics*. Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Research Colloquium 24th October, 2013
– *The Role of Uncertainty in Semantics*. University of Göttingen, Department of Philosophy Mittel-bau Koloquium 24th January, 2013

Selected Conference Talks

– The Finnish partitive in counting and measuring constructions & Number and Plurality 2019, Göttingen University & Sinn und Bedeutung 24, Osnabrück University & SinFonIJA 2019, University of Brno & TbiLLC 2019, Georgia (with Carol-Rose Little)
– Singular/Plural contrasts: The case of Informational Object Nouns – Number and Plurality 2019, Göttingen University – Amsterdam Colloquium (with H. Filip)
– Informational Object Nouns and the Mass/Count Distinction – Berkeley Linguisitics Society 2019 & Sinn und Bedeutung 24, Osnabrück University & TbiLLC 2019 (with H. Filip)
– Three Tests for Semantic Criteria for Count Nouns – Berkeley Linguisitics Society 2019
– Object Mass as an Arbiter for the Mass/Count Category. The Count-Mass Distinction – A Linguistic Misunderstanding?, May 2018 (with Erbach, K., H. Filip & K. Byrdeck.)
– Coercion: container, contents and measure readings. The Count-Mass Distinction – A Linguistic Misunderstanding?, May 2018 (with H. Filip).
– Stochastic frames. Presented at: – Uncertainty in Meaning and Representation in Linguistics and Philosophy. Jelenia Góra, February, 2018. – Workshop on Records, Frames, and attribute spaces. Berlin, March, 2018 – CRC 991 Colloquium. HHU Düsseldorf. April, 2018 (with Schuster, A., Strößner, C., & Zeevat, H.).
– Object Mass Nouns Nouns in Japanese. One-to-many relations in morphology, syntax, and semantics workshop at The 40th Annual Conference of the German Linguistic Society, March 2018. (with Erbach, K., H. Filip & K. Byrdeck.)
– *Hungarian measure phrases, bare singular nouns, and mass/count distinction*. TbiLLC 2017: The 12th International Tbilisi Symposium on Language, Logic and Computation, Lagodekhi, Georgia. (with K. Erbach & H. Filip), September 2017.
– *Vagueness as the product of learning over a noisy channel*. TbiLLC 2017: The 12th International Tbilisi Symposium on Language, Logic and Computation, Lagodekhi, Georgia. September 2017.
– *Singular Count NPs in Measure Constructions*. Semantics and Linguistic Theory 27. University of Maryland, College Park, May 2017. (With H. Filip)
– *Object Mass Nouns in Japanese*. The 18th Szklarska Poreba Workshop, March 2017. (with K. Byrdeck, K. Erbach & H. Filip)
– *Mass-to-count coercion in 'granular nouns'*. Workshop on Coercion Across Linguistic Fields. The 39th Annual Conference of the German Linguistic Society, Saarbrücken, Germany, March 2017.
– *Mass/Count Variation: A Two-Dimensional Semantics*. Colloquium talk. Department of Philosophy, Linguistics and Theory of Science, University of Gothenburg, Sweden. November, 2016.
– *A probabilistic, mereological account of the mass-count distinction*. CLASP Seminar, University of Gothenburg. November, 2016. (With H. Filip.)
– *Restrictions on subkind coercion in superordinate object mass nouns*. Sinn und Bedeutung

21, University of Edinburgh, September 2016. (With H. Filip.)
– *Countability: Individuation and Context*. Formal Grammar 21. University of Bolzano/Bozen. August 2016. (With H. Filip.)
– *Count/Mass Variation and Constraints on Mass-to-Count Coercion*. Countability Workshop, Heinrich Heine University, Düsseldorf, June 2016. (With H. Filip.)

Dissertation supervision

Bachelor's dissertations:

– Carlotta Schneeberger *A Puzzle about the Extension of Slurs: Defending a Conventional Implicature Approach.*
Primary supervisor.
– Alexander Switkowsky *Sub-atomic readings of plural count nouns in German*. Heinrich Heine University, Düsseldorf.
Primary supervisor.
– Lisa Hofmann *Legal Language and Implicit Meaning*. Heinrich Heine University, Düsseldorf, 2015.
Secondary supervisor.

Master's dissertations:

– Fabian Koglin. *Personal proper names in definite article phrases in German*. Heinrich Heine University, Düsseldorf, 2017.
Primary supervisor.
– Lena Schwarz *How far can we deviate from the performative formula?*. Heinrich Heine University, Düsseldorf, 2015.
Secondary supervisor.

PhD Committees:

– Kurt Erbach. Heinrich Heine University, Düsseldorf. Completed 2019.
Third supervisor (Postdoc committee member).
– Samuel Taylor. Heinrich Heine University, Düsseldorf. Completed 2019.
Third supervisor (Postdoc committee member).

Professional Services and Activities

Journal Reviewer:

Abstracta – Erkenntnis – Glossa – Journal of Semantics – Language Acquisition – Linguistics and Philosophy – The Baltic International Yearbook of Cognition – Logic and Communication – Logical Analysis and History of Philosophy – Topics in Cognitive Science – Zeitschrift für Sprachwissenschaft

Conference Reviewer:

Formal Approaches to Slavic Linguistics (FASL) – IWCS – North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL) – Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT) – Semantics and Philosophy in Europe (SPE) – Sinn und Bedeutung

Membership of professional associations:

The British Philosophical Association
The German Association for Linguistics (DGfS)

Teaching

Summer/Winter Schools

Winter 2018	Invited lecturer: Barcelona Winter school on Semantics. Vagueness and ambiguity.
Summer 2016	ESSLLI 2016. Counting and measuring (with H. Filip)

Teacher/Examiner, HHU Düsseldorf:

Winter 2019/20	Seminar on Countability and Plurality
Spring 2018	Seminar on Vagueness in Natural Language
Winter 2016/17	Seminar on Probability theory in Semantics and Pragmatics
Spring 2016	Seminar on counting and measuring (with H. Filip)
Winter 2015/16	Seminar on counting and measuring (with H. Filip)
Spring 2015	Master's in Linguistics Colloquium.

Invited Lecturer, HHU Düsseldorf:

Winter 2015	Lecture on the logics of vagueness.

Graduate Teaching Assistant, KCL:

2013-14	Logic and Language, Foundations of Analytic Phil., Phil. of Mind.
2012-13	Topics in Phil. of Language, Formal Semantics.
2011-12	Phil. of Mind, Formal Syntax, Formal Semantics.
2010-11	Elementary Logic.

Seminar Teacher, Helsinki:

2006-07   Intermediary Seminar in Phil. of Language,
           Intermediary Seminar in Phil. of Science.
2005-06   Preparatory Seminar in Phil. of Language.

Teaching Awards

2011-12   Nominated, KCL School of Arts and Humanities Teaching Excellence Award
2011-12   Honourable Mention, KCL Philosophy Teaching Tutor Award
2010-11   Honourable Mention, KCL Philosophy Teaching Tutor Award

Workshop and Conference Organization

05.2019   Workshop on Computing Semantics with Types, Frames and Related Structures at
           IWCS. (Co-chair)
03.2019   The 20th Szklarska Poreba Workshop on the roots of pragmasemantics (Chair)
09.2018   Cognitive Structures: Linguistic, Philosophical and Psychological Perspectives, the
           biannual conference of the Collaborative Research Centre 991, Düsseldorf.
           (Committee member)
03.2018   Applications of Probability Theory in Linguistics (APT-Ling). Workshop at the
           40th annual conference of the German Association for Linguistics (DGfS), Stuttgart.
           (Committee member)
03.2018   The 19th Szklarska Poreba Workshop on the roots of pragmasemantics. (Chair)
03.2017   The 18th Szklarska Poreba Workshop on the roots of pragmasemantics. (Committee
           member)
03.2016   The 17th Szklarska Poreba Workshop on the roots of pragmasemantics. (Committee
           member)
03.2011   Incrementality in Linguistic and Musical Interaction, King's College London.
           (Organiser)