

25th Arabic Linguistics Symposium
March 4-6, 2011
University of Arizona
Tucson, AZ

Symposium Schedule

Friday, March 4

8:00-8:45am Registration
8:45-9:00am Welcome remarks

Session 1 Syntax

9:00-9:30am "Negative Concord in Rural Jordanian Arabic (RJA)" - Ahmad Alqassas, Indiana University

9:30-10:00am "On Licensing of Negative Polarity Items in Egyptian Arabic" - Usama Soltan, Middlebury College

10:00-10:30am "On Negative Concord in Egyptian and Moroccan Arabic" - Hamid Ouali, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee & Usama Soltan, Middlebury College

10:30-10:45am Break

10:45-11:15am "Negation and heads, agreement and Maximal Projections in Palestinian Arabic" - Mohammad Mohammad, University of Texas at Austin

11:15-11:45am "The Negative Copula in Arabic: Its Status and History" - Elabbas Benmamoun, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; Rania Al-Sabbagh, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; Abdelaadim Bidaoui, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; Dana Shalash, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

11:45-1:00pm Lunch Break

Session 2 Special Session: Experimental and field method approaches to Arabic dialect analysis

1:00-1:30pm "What Elicited Speech Errors Data can Tell us About the Robustness of the GCC" - Nadia Hamrouni, The University of Arizona

1:30-2:00pm "Diglossic metalinguistic awareness development in Palestinian Colloquial Arabic speaking children using ADAT (the Arabic Diglossic Awareness Test)" - Reem Khamis-Dakwar, Adelphi University & Baha Makhoul, Haifa University

2:00-2:30pm "The development of imperative in Kuwaiti Arabic child language" - Khawla Aljenaie, Kuwait University

2:30-3:00pm "The distribution of possessive structures in adult and child Emirati Arabic" - Dimitrios Ntelitheos, United Arab Emirates University

3:00-3:15pm Break

3:15-3:45pm "The Prosodic Origins of Non-Concatenative Morphology" - Andrew Simpson, University of California, Berkeley
3:45-4:15pm "The local vs. the supra-regional norms: the case of Arabic interdentals" - Aziza Al-Essa King, Abdul-Aziz University
4:15-4:45pm "Discourse-Level Analysis of the Speech Act of Refusal" - Nader Morkus, Middlebury College

4:45-5:00pm Break

5:00-6:00pm Keynote address
Adam Ussishkin, Associate Professor, UA Department of Linguistics - "The contribution of corpus-based and psycholinguistic research to the Maltese lexicon"

6:00-7:15pm Reception

Saturday, March 5

Session 3 Phonology

9:00-9:30am "Effects of Sonority on the Distribution of Root Consonants in Arabic" - Kevin Schluter, The University of Arizona & Jeff Berry, The University of Arizona
9:30-10:00am "Imala in a Rural Syrian Variety: Morpho-Phonological Conditioning" - Rania Habib, Syracuse University
10:00-10:30am "Geminate Representation in Arabic" - Stuart Davis, Indiana University & Marwa Ragheb, Indiana University

10:30-10:45pm Break

Session 4 Historical Linguistics

10:45-11:15am "The Grammaticalization of the Arabic demonstrative 'iyyaa'" - David Wilmsen, American University of Beirut
11:15-11:45am "From Deixis to Grammar: the case of the element "ta" in Arabic" - Lazhar Zanned, University of Manouba (Tunisia)
11:45-12:15pm "The Prosodic Origins of Non-Concatenative Morphology" - Andrew Simpson, University of California, Berkeley

12.30-2pm Lunch at the Marriott for registered members; please ensure that dues are paid by Friday morning.

Session 5 Sociolinguistics

2:00-2:30pm "The Maghreb/Mashreq language ideology and the linguistic subordination of Moroccan Arabic" - Atiqah Hachimi, University of Toronto
2:30-3:00pm "Challenges of Multilingualism in a Global Morocco: Changing Language Attitudes Among Youth in Morocco" - Brahim Chakrani, Michigan State University
3:00-3:30pm "Bleaching a dialectal voice in political discourse: Sociolinguistic choices in re-writing political speeches" - Naima Boussofara, University of Kansas

3:30-4:00pm "Animating Arabic dialects: the Jordanian example" - Elizabeth Bergman, Miami University of Ohio

4:00-4:15pm Break

Session 7 Syntax

4:15-4:45pm "First conjunct agreement in Arabic: Pronoun Binding and Semantic Correlates" - Bradley Larson, University of Maryland

4:45-5:15pm "Verb Stranding Verb-Phrase Ellipsis in Egyptian Arabic & Arabic Clausal Structure" - Matthew Tucker, University of California, Santa Cruz

5:15-5:45pm "Modes of Interrogatives entail Modes of Sluicing- Evidence from Emirati Arabic" - Tommi Leung, United Arab Emirates University

Dinner on your own

Sunday, March 6

Session 8 Semantics & Pragmatics

9:00-9:30am "Communicative Gesture in Tunisian and Syrian Arabic: Perspectives on Shared Knowledge and Gender Variation" - Keri Miller, The University of Arizona & Nadia Hamrouni, The University of Arizona

9:30-10:00am "Ambitransitive verbs in Arabic" - Alexander Letuchiy, Russian State University

10:00-10:30am "COME verbs in Modern Standard Arabic: A corpus-based constructionist account of ?ata, ?aža, qadima and hadara" - Dana Abdulrahim, University of Alberta; John Newman, University of Alberta; Sally Rice, University of Alberta

10:30-10:45am Break

10:45-11:15am "Aktionsart in Modern Standard Arabic" - Mohammed Alrashed, Arizona State University

11:15-11:45am "Aspects of Modality: An Aspectual Analysis of the Actuality Entailment in Arabic" - Mustafa Mughazy, Western Michigan University

11:45-12:15pm "Morphological restrictions on verb formation: Evidence from Palestinian Arabic" - Lior Laks, Tel-Aviv University