

Giuseppe Magistro

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- 2019– **PhD candidate in Linguistics**, *Gent University*, Supervisors: Claudia Crocco, Anne Breitbarth, Thesis: Experimentally tracking Jespersen's cycle. Prosodic cues to syntactic reanalysis.
Supervisor board: Claudia Crocco (University of Gent), Anne Breitbarth (University of Gent), Tamara Rathcke (University of Konstanz), Jacopo Garzonio (University of Padua).
- 2017– 2019 **Laurea Specialistica (MA) in Linguistic Sciences**, *Università degli Studi di Torino*, thesis: External possession constructions in Italian: sociolinguistic variation and formal syntax, supervisor: Prof. Dr. Massimo Cerruti, 110/110 cum Laude and recommendation for publication.
- 2013–2016 **Laurea Degree (BA) in Linguistic and intercultural communication**, *Università degli Studi di Bari*, 110/110 cum Laude, languages: English, German, Russian.
Thesis: A diachronic perspective of negation in Low German dialects, supervisor: Prof. Dr. Lucia Sinisi.

Further education

- 2021 **Statistics**, *Konstanz University*, Instructor: Massimiliano Canzi.
- 2020 **Prosody: structures, interfaces, contact**, *UGent doctoral school*, Belgium, Instructors: Claudia Crocco, Ingo Feldhausen, Michele Loporcaro, Barbara Gili Fivela.
- 2019 **Multilingualism and language varieties in Europe**, *Autumn school*, Gent, Belgium.

Work Experience

- September 2022 **Tutor for LingTech**, *Linguistics and speech technology: from theory to tools to theory*, Organized by AISV.
Università del Salento

Publications

- Accepted **Crocco, C., Gili Fivela, B., Magistro, G.**, *Comparing Italian and dialectal prosody: the case of Veneto*, Proceedings of AISV 2022.
- 2023 **Magistro, G.**, *The rise and fall of illocutionary negation: evidence from Veneto*, Journal of Pragmatics, 208.
- 2022 **Magistro, G.**, *Mica preposing as focus fronting*, Glossa, 7(1).

- 2022 **Magistro, G., Crocco, C.**, *Phonetic erosion and information structure in function words: the case of mia*, Proceedings of Interspeech 2022.
- 2022 **Magistro, G., Crocco, C.**, *Rising and rising-falling declaratives in Veneto dialects*, Proceedings of Speech Prosody 2022.
- 2022 **Magistro, G., Crocco, C., Breitbarth, A.**, *Information structure and Jespersen's cycle: The dialects of Veneto as a window on processes of language change*, in C. De Bastiani, M. Coniglio, N. Catasso (eds.), *Language Change at the Interfaces*. Amsterdam: John Benjamins

Technical reports

Magistro, G., *Speech prosody and remote experiments: a technical report*, arXiv:2106.10915.

Poster sessions

- 2023 **Pyrlato, a novel methodology to collect real-world acoustic data**, *Radboud University, PaPe (Phonetics and phonology in Europe) 2023*, together with Claudia Crocco.
- 2023 **Scraping YouTube audio data with Pyrlato: an example with Italian mica**, *Università del Salento, AISV 2023*, together with Claudia Crocco.
- 2022 **Prosodic cues to syntactic features: How prosody guides reanalysis**, *DiGS 2022*, New York, together with Anne Breitbarth, Claudia Crocco.
- 2022 **Rising and rising-falling declaratives in Veneto dialects**, *Speech Prosody 2022*, Lisbon, together with Claudia Crocco.
- 2021 **To become a function word: changing and crossing information structure**, *TAI 1st: Tone and Intonation*, Sonderborg, Denmark, Together with Claudia Crocco.

Conference presentations

- 2023 **Prosodic features of quello in Informal Neapolitan Italian: data from spontaneous speech**, *Università del Salento, AISV 2023*, together with Claudia Crocco, Kim Groothuis, Giovanni Leo.
- 2022 **A syntactic account of the particle bèn in Trentino dialects**, *Università Federico II - Napoli, CIDS 16*, together with Jan Casalicchio.
- 2022 **Phonetic erosion and information structure in function words: the case of mia**, *Incheon, Korea, Interspeech 2022*, together with Claudia Crocco.
- 2022 **Comparing dialectal and Italian prosody: the case of Venetian**, *University of Naples, AISV 2022*, together with Claudia Crocco and Barbara Gili Fivela.
- 2022 **Wel is doing well: competition in the West-Flemish community of practice**, *ICLaVE 2022*, University of Vienna, together with Melissa Farasyn.
- 2021 **Mica preposing as focus fronting**, *Going Romance XXXV*, University of Amsterdam.
- 2021 **Minimizing minimizers' structure: Jespersen's cycle and focus**, *International workshop on negation, University of the Basque Country*.

- 2021 **Neg-drop in Venetan varieties**, *Cambridge Italian Dialect Syntax-Morphology Meeting 15 (CIDSM)*, University of Helsinki, together with Jacopo Garzonio.
- 2021 **The rise and fall of illocutionary negation**, *Sinn und Bedeutung 26*, University of Cologne.
- 2021 **Experimental approaches to diachronic pragmatics: A case study**, *Linghentan Doctorials*, University of Gent.
- 2021 **The integration of acceptability tests into diachronic syntax: The case of Presuppositional negation**, *Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft*, Workshop Empirical approaches to canonical and non-canonical uses of negation.
- 2020 **Diatopic microvariation as a window on diachronic development**, *TEAM Padua, Theoretical and Empirical Approaches to Microvariation*, together with Anne Breitbarth and Claudia Crocco.

Invited talks

- 2023 **Prosody and pragmatic reasoning for linguistic change: Jespersen's cycle**, *Università degli Studi di Verona, LiVe lunch*, upcoming.
- 2022 **Interfaces in Jespersen's cycle**, *Laboratoire de Linguistique Formelle, Paris*, 17 February.
- 2022 **Prosodic change and syntactic reanalysis: the case of focus in Jespersen's cycle**, *Department and Research Colloquium, Universität Konstanz*, 10 February.
- 2019 **A sociolinguistic and formal analysis of external possession in Italian**, *Anglia Ruskin-Cambridge Romance Linguistics seminars*, 07 November.
- 2018 **Vade Retro, PossP! Reassessing possessor raising in Italian**, *Anglia Ruskin-Cambridge Romance Linguistics Seminars*, 11 October.
- 2016 **Un'analisi diacronica della negazione nei dialetti basso-tedeschi**, *Università degli Studi di Bari, Dipartimento di Lettere Lingue Arti (seminario di filologia germanica)*, 23 November.

Teaching experience

- 2023 **Language Variation and Change**, Role: Titularis. University of Gent, advanced master in linguistics
- 2022 **Statistics for linguists**, Università del Salento, workshop organized by Centro di Ricerca Interdisciplinare sul linguaggio.
Course on regression modelling: linear models, mixed effects, logistic regression, multinomial regression, Poisson regression, programming in R, Generalized Additive Mixed Models.
- 2022 **Italiaanse taalkunde II**, Role: medewerker, module: *Introduction to syntax, theta-roles, case assignment, split intransitivity*, together with Claudia Crocco, University of Gent, Bachelor.
- 2021 **Italiaanse taalkunde II**, Role: occasional lecturer, module *X-Bar theory*, together with Claudia Crocco, University of Gent, Bachelor.

- 2021 **Language Variation and Change**, *Role: medewerker, module: syntactic, semantic and phonological change*, together with Hannah Booth, University of Gent, Advanced Master.
- 2021 **La negazione nei dialetti settentrionali**, *Invited lecture for the course Italiaanse taalkunde: bijzondere vraagstukken II*, University of Gent, Master.
- 2021 **Italiaanse taalkunde: Bijzondere vraagstukken II**, *Role: medewerker, module: Information Structure and Syntax*, together with Kim Groothuis and Marina Palmieri, University of Gent, master.

Thesis supervision

- 2021 **Niels Van Pamel**, *Studie naar de interjecties "algeijk" en "wel" in West-Vlaamse dialecten*, Master Thesis: University of Gent, Role: co-promotor (together with Melissa Farasyn).
- 2020 **Anne-Li Demonie**, *The Complementary Distribution Between Ne and Non Revisited: A semantic approach to wish and result clauses*, Bachelor Thesis: University of Ghent, Role: co-promotor (together with Karen De Clerq).
(now published in *Journal of Latin Linguistics*)

Data science skills

Programming languages R, Python

Statistics and Machine Learning Parametric tests, ANOVA, regression, support vector machines, cluster analysis (kNN, k-means), feature selection algorithms (PCA, LDA, Boruta), GAMM, Bayesian methods

Membership of Research Groups

2019- DiaLing - Diachronic and Diatopic linguistics, Gent University

Membership of Scientific societies

ISCA - The International Speech Communication Association.
ISLE-The International Society for the Linguistics of English.
REEDS-Re-examining dialect syntax.

Reviewing service

Vox Romanica, Expanding Romance Linguistics (book), ICPHS 2023, Grammatica Friulana di Riferimento (book)

Languages

Italian **Native speaker**
 English **Advanced level**
 Spanish **Intermediate**
 French **Intermediate**

DELE B2

German **Intermediate**

Russian **Basic**

Dutch **Basic**

 **Mobility**

- Fieldwork in Venice (Italy), 2022