

Puzzles in coordination

It has been a long-standing question in syntax what the underlying structure of coordinations is. Focusing on conjunctions, we argue that one particular hypothesis, the so-called ConjP hypothesis, faces several problems. For one, even strictly head-final languages don't put the alleged Conj head to the right of its complement. In this talk, we discuss this and other problems for the ConjP by looking at conjunctions cross-linguistically and propose an alternative approach to the syntax and linearisation of coordinations.