

## The mechanism of *Feature Inheritance*: comparing Italian, German and Cimbrian

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The mechanism of *Feature Inheritance* (= FI) was initially introduced by Chomsky (2008) and later adopted in several explanations in order to model the spectrum of variation between a phase head and its complement and to describe the linguistic variation between different languages (see Ouali 2008, Biberauer 2010) or different historical stages of the same language (see the most recently proposal in Poole 2018). The aim of my paper is to apply this mechanism to a typological comparison between Italian, German and Cimbrian, showing that the FI model is able to catch the syntactic characteristics that the three languages have in common, but also their specific peculiarities.

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