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## Publications & talks

### JOURNAL ARTICLES

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**Cheng, Lisa L.-S.** and Linda Badan. 2015. Exclamatives in Mandarin Chinese. *Journal of East Asian Linguistics* 24: 383-413.

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**Cheng, Lisa L.-S.** and Rint Sybesma. Classifier and DP. 2012. *Linguistic Inquiry* 43.4:634-650.

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**Cheng, Lisa L.-S.** and Rint Sybesma. 1998. *Yi-wang Tang, yi-ge Tang*: Classifiers and Massifiers. *Tsing-Hua Journal of Chinese Studies, New Series XXVIII*: 3 385-412.

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#### INAUGURAL LECTURE

**Cheng, Lisa L.-S.** 2001. *Het allemaal wat*, Leiden University, January 2001.

#### EDITED BOOKS

Reckman, Hilke, **Lisa L.-S. Cheng**, Maarten Hijzelendoorn, and Rint Sybesma. (eds.) 2017. *Crossroad Semantics: Computation, Experiment and Grammar*. John Benjamins.

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**Cheng, Lisa L.-S.** and Hamida Demirdash. (eds.) 1991. *Papers on Wh-movement*. MITWPL volume 13, M.I.T., Cambridge, Massachusetts.

#### SUBMITTED PAPERS

**Cheng, Lisa L.-S.** On the interaction between modals and aspects. *English Linguistics*. Invited contribution.

Pablos, Leticia, Bobby Ruijgrok, Jenny Doetjes and **Lisa L.-S. Cheng**. Submitted. Backward licensing of Negative Polarity Items in Dutch: an ERP investigation. *Journal of Neurolinguistics*.

Yang, Yang, Stella Gryllia and **Lisa L.-S. Cheng**. Submitted. Prosody and clause type anticipation in Mandarin. *International Journal of Chinese Linguistics*.

Yang, Yang, Stella Gryllia and **Lisa L.-S. Cheng**. Submitted. 汉语韵律的标句作用及其实验研究. 韵律语法研究.

## Talks

### INVITED LECTURE SERIES

- 2016 *Causal wh in Cantonese and Mandarin*. 2 week lecture series in Beijing Institute of Technology. December.
- 2015 *Issues in Chinese Syntax*. 2 week lectures at the Linguistic Society of America summer school, University of Chicago. July.
- 2008 *Are in-situ wh-phrases in-situ or not? From the 80's till present*. Distinguished Scholars Lecture Series in Linguistics 2008, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Department of Linguistics and Modern Languages, April 7-18, 2008.
- 2006 *Modern syntax*. One week lecture series at Spring School in Chinese Linguistics (organized by the European Association of Chinese Linguistics), held in Leiden University, 27-31 March 2006 (with Rint Sybesma).
- 2005 *Verb copying in Mandarin Chinese*. 2 week lectures at the Linguistic Society of America summer school, MIT. June-July.
- 2004 *The syntax of VP in Chinese*. 6 lectures Beijing University, China, May-June.
- 2003 *Wh-in-situ*. 3 lectures in Universität Frankfurt, March.
- 2000 *The Syntax and Semantics of noun phrase*. 5 lectures in the LOT summer school, Tilburg University, the Netherlands, June.
- 1999 *The Syntax of Wh-in-situ*. 8 lectures in the Holland Institute of Linguistics, Leiden University, January-March.
- 1997 *Syntax and Semantics of Chinese Noun Phrases*. 4 lectures in the Linguistic Institute (Linguistic Society of America), Cornell University, June-July.

### KEYNOTES/PLENARY LECTURES

- 2016 *Causal wh and extra wh*. 38 DGfS (Jahrestagung der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft), Universität Konstanz, February.
- 2015 *dim2 analyse mat1*. The 20th International Conference on Yue Dialects, Chinese University of Hong Kong, December.
- 2012 *Spelling-out syntax*. Linguistic Association of Great Britain Annual Meeting 2012, University of Salford Manchester, September.
- 2011 *Spell-out domains don't define prosodic domains*. Swiss Workshop in Generative Grammar, University of Geneva, April.
- 2009 *Counting and classifiers*. The Mass/Count Workshop, University of Toronto, February.
- 2006 *On all the every's in Chinese*. The Fourth European Association of Chinese Linguistics Meeting, Budapest, January.
- 2006 *Dou, scope isomorphism and syntactic analyticity*. The 11th Symposium on Contemporary Linguistics, Tianjin, China, October.

### INVITED TALKS AT CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

- 2017 *Prosodic clause typing in Mandarin*, The 4th International Conference on Chinese Prosodic Grammar, Henan University, 3-4 June, 2017.
- 2017 *Prosodic clause typing in Mandarin*, International Roundtable on Current Issues in Chinese Prosodic Syntax, Chinese University of Hong Kong, May 27-28, 2017.
- 2017 *From order to scope*, DP 60, MIT, 10 February, 2017. (with Hamida Demirdache)
- 2017 *Cause what in Cantonese*, Journée anniversaire de la reconnaissance CNRS du Laboratoire de Linguistique de Nantes (UMR 6310), January 9, 2017.
- 2016 *Definite predicates with and without determiners*, Workshop on the Semantic Contribution

- of Det and Num, Barcelona, May 27, 2016 (with Caroline Heycock and Roberto Zamparelli).
- 2016 *Emergent variation*. Language in action, KNAW colloquium, Amsterdam.
- 2015 *When Syntax meets Phonology/Prosody*. Generative Syntax in the Twenty-First Century: The Road Ahead. Athens. Greece.
- 2015 *Contrasting how vs. why*. Contrast in Syntax Workshop, University of Toronto, April.
- 2014 *Cyclicality and wh-in-situ*. Annual Conference of the English Department, University of Bucharest. June.
- 2013 *Transitive Psych-predicates*. Theoretical East Asian Linguistics 8, Tsing-Hua University, Taiwan. June 4-5 (with Rint Sybesma).
- 2010 *Spell-out domains don't define prosodic domains*. Workshop on Morphosyntax-Phonology Interface Theories, Leiden University, December (with Laura Downing).
- 2010 *Locative relatives in Durban Zulu*. Workshop on Relative Clauses in Bantu Languages, Laboratoire d'Acoustique Musicale, Paris, 8-9 January.
- 2009 *Wh-subjects in Zulu*. The Discourse-semantics and Syntax Interface, Universiteit van Amsterdam, 9 October.
- 2009 *Bare nouns in Chinese and Zulu*. Converging Linguistics and Cognitive Science: Nominal Systems across languages, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, 14-16 September.
- 2009 *Verb fronting in Mandarin Chinese*. International Association of Chinese Linguistics 17, 2-4 July Paris.
- 2009 *Clefts in Durban Zulu*. The 19th Colloquium on Generative Grammar, University of the Basque Country, 1-3 April.
- 2009 *On weak dummy objects*. Weak Referentiality Kick-off Workshop, Utrecht University, 27 March (with Rint Sybesma).
- 2008 *A different look at dou*. Sino-Kwo kick-off workshop, Leiden University, October 31-November 1st.
- 2008 *How universal is the Universal Grinder*. Bare N workshop, Leiden University, June (with Jenny Doetjes and Rint Sybesma).
- 2008 *Mapping in the syntax-phonology interface*. International Network in Biolinguistics, University of Arizona, February 23-24.
- 2007 *Verb fronting and verb doubling in Mandarin Chinese*. Symposium on Chinese syntax and semantics, City University of Hong Kong, August 18-20.
- 2007 *The morpho-syntax of dou*. Mini-workshop on Compounding theory and Chinese morpho-syntax, University of Verona, June.
- 2006 *Deconstructing the shi ...de construction*. Chicago Workshop on Chinese Linguistics, University of Chicago, December 1-2.
- 2006 *Phonology and syntax at the right edge in Zulu*. Prosody-Syntax Interface Workshop, University College London, October (with Laura Downing).
- 2006 *Trapped at the edge: on long distance pair-list readings*. Workshop on Universalist perspectives on relative properties: Features vs. constructions of the clausal left periphery, SLE 39, Bremen, September (with Hamida Demirdache).
- 2005 *On every type of quantificational expression in Chinese*. Workshop on QP structure, nominalization and the role of DP, Center for Language Research and Technology, Universität des Saarlandes, December.
- 2005 *Decomposing Bantu relatives*. NorthEastern Linguistic Society (NELS) 36. UMass Amherst, October.
- 2004 *Clefts and Inversed Clefts in Chinese*. Workshop on Syntactic Categories and their Interpretation in Chinese, Research Institute of Linguistics, Hungarian Academy of Science.
- 2003 *Wh-NPs vs. Wh-pronominals in Free Choice*. Panel speaker in the Symposium on The Indeterminate: Wh and indefinite Noun Phrases, English Linguistics Society of Japan Annual



- Meeting, Japan, November.
- 2002 *Wh-NPs vs. Wh-pronominals*. Workshop on Polarity, Quantification, Free-Choice and Wh, University of York, November.
- 2002 *Types of wh-in-situ*. Workshop on the Syntax-Semantics Interface in the CP-Domain, ZAS, Berlin, March.
- 2000 *How do native Chinese/Japanese speakers treat count-mass in English*. The Language, Culture and Cognition workshop, Leiden University, March.
- 1999 *Bare nouns and [Classifier-N] phrases in Cantonese and Mandarin*. Miniworkshop on “Weird Quantification”, Utrecht University, June.
- 1997 *You in Mandarin Chinese and (Locative) Existentials*. On the Formal Way to Chinese Linguistics, University of California, Irvine, December.
- 1997 *On Possession in Cantonese, Mandarin and Taiwanese*. International Conference on Chinese Linguistics 6, Leiden University, The Netherlands, June.
- 1994 *Questions about Dou: A Commentary*. Invited commentary presented at the Sixth North American Conference on Chinese Linguistics, University of Southern California, May.
- 1994 *Linguistic Competence and Universal Grammar*. Workshop on Statistical Physics and Mathematical Simulations, Academia Sinica, August (with Jane Tang).

#### INVITED COLLOQUIUM TALKS

- 2017 Focusing on *wh*-subjects. Harvard University, March.
- 2016 Strategies of scope taking for in-situ *wh*. TsingHua University, China. December.
- 2016 On covert movement: partially fronted *wh* vs *wh*-in-situ. Comparative Syntax series. Utrecht University. November.
- 2012 Transitive adjectives. OTS, Utrecht University, December.
- 2012 Some issues in transitivity. Institute of Linguistics, Academia Sinica, Taiwan, October.
- 2009 Verb doubling. Summer school in Linguistics, Beijing University, July.
- 2009 On cleft sentences. Center for Linguistics Theory, Beijing language and culture University, July.
- 2008 Against FocusP: evidence from Zulu. *Must*, Utrecht University, September.
- 2008 Syntactic and Phonological Phrasing in Zulu. The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Department of Linguistics and Modern Languages, April.
- 2006 Classifiers: Cantonese vs. Mandarin. University of Venice, July.
- 2006 *Dou* as an external definite determiner. The 14th SoY Linguistic Colloquium, Leiden University, June.
- 2006 *Dou* as an external contextual domain restrictor. Semantics colloquium, Radboud University Nijmegen, May.
- 2005 Antilocality and Bantu relatives. Wednesday Syntax Meeting, Leiden University, November.
- 2005 On *each* and *every* type of quantificational structure in Chinese. Syntax-semantics colloquium, Utrecht University, April.
- 2004 *Wh*-semantics and the morphological make-up of free choice. LUSH, Leiden, February.
- 2003 Some notes on Chinese clefts. Hiroshima University, Japan, November.
- 2003 In-situ or not? Zentrum für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft, Berlin, April.
- 2003 Free Choice: universals vs. indefinites, evidence from Cantonese. SOY seminar, Leiden University, March.
- 2002 Types of *Wh*-in-situ. Syntax-semantics colloquium, Utrecht University, May.
- 2001 *Wh*-in-situ revisited: the Portuguese puzzle. University of Amsterdam, February.
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- 2000 Bare nouns and classifiers in four varieties of Chinese. Seminar on Chinese Language, Literature and Culture, Sinologisch Institute, Leiden University, November.

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- 1998 Partial wh-movement. Utrecht University, April.
- 1998 Marking modification in Cantonese and Mandarin. SOAS, London, March.
- 1997 Bare and not-so-bare Nouns and the Structure of NP. Zentrum für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft, Berlin, April.
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- 1996 Core Issues in the Minimalist Program. Chinese University of Hong Kong, June.
- 1996 Classifiers and Massifiers, City University of Hong Kong, June.
- 1996 More on Donkey Sentences. Mayfest University of Maryland, May.
- 1995 Partial and Optional Wh-movement. University of Washington, May.
- 1995 Negative Particle Questions: The Connection between Negation and Yes-no Questions. University of Toronto, Canada. March.
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- 1993 Wh-scope Markers and Partial Wh-movement. University of California at Los Angeles, February.
- 1992 Wh-movement and the Clausal Typing Hypothesis. University of Southern California, March.
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- 2011 **Lisa Lai-Shen Cheng** and Laura Downing. Mapping phonology to syntax: evidence from two wh-in-situ languages. Paper presented at GLOW 34, University of Vienna, April 28-30.
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- 2008 **Lisa Lai-Shen Cheng**, Jenny Doetjes and Rint Sybesma. How universal is the Universal Grinder. Paper presented in TiN-Dag, February, 2008.
- 2007 **Lisa Lai-Shen Cheng** and Thilo Schadeberg. On count and mass in Bantu. Paper presented in the first network meeting on Bantu, Chinese and Romance noun and noun phrases. SOAS, London, November 30-1 December.
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- 2004 **Lisa Lai-Shen Cheng**. Verb copying in Mandarin Chinese. Paper presented in Workshop on The Copy Theory of Movement On the PF Side, Utrecht University, December.
- 2004 **Lisa Lai-Shen Cheng** and Nancy Kula. Syntactic and phonological phrasing of Bemba Relatives. Paper presented in the 5th Bantu Grammar: Theory & Description Meeting, SOAS, London, May.
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- 1998 **Lisa Lai-Shen Cheng** and Rint Sybesma. On the transitivity of *run* and dummy objects in general. Paper presented in the Linguistics in the Netherlands 1998, Utrecht University, The Netherlands.
- 1996 **Lisa Lai-Shen Cheng** and Rint Sybesma. A Theoretical Perspective on Classifiers and DP in Chinese Languages. Paper presented in the XXIX International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Leiden University, The Netherlands.
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- 1987 **Lisa Lai-Shen Cheng.** *Ba*-construction in Mandarin Chinese and Affected Theme. Paper presented at the Canadian Linguistic Association Annual Meeting, McMaster University, Ontario.
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