

## Nominalizations, non-finite domains and syntactic theory

- **Practicalities**

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- **Lineout**

- This lecture series aims at presenting recent developments in syntactic theory in generative grammar, and the relation between morphology and syntax, starting from N/V parallelisms, nominalizations, participles (non-finite domains), by reading fundamental texts in the literature (from Chomsky 1970 to Borer 2005, Alexiadou et al 2011...)
- We will take stock of the fundamental notions introduced in syntax lectures (B09S1, B21 first semester) ; the lecture can be correlated with B15.
- Preliminary readings: Chapters 2 and 13 from *Introduction to Syntactic Analysis and Theory* by Koopman, Sportiche et Stabler (KSS).
- Lecture readings: a list of fundamental and highly recommended readings (cf. References, 1 below – indicated as readings in the program table), and a list of recent papers to be presented in class by the students (cf References, 2). The titles marked with \* are available in pdf.

- **Assessments and grades**

- The students will have to present a report or a research paper in class and give a written version of it. Cf. references and program below.

- **Provisional program**

Week #	Topic	Reading(s)
1.	Is there a borderline between syntax and morphology? Words and their structure. Categorization. Nominalizations : definition, some data, theoretical questions.	KSS, Ch 2, 13, Abney 1987 Ch 1-2, Chomsky 1970
2.	Nominalizations and approaches to the lexicon-syntax interface. Projectionism/ 'constructionism' and the division of labour problem.	Borer 2005, II, Ch.1 Marantz 1997 Levin & Rappaport, 2005, Ramchand 2008
3.	Nominalizations and argument structure 1.	Alexiadou et al 2004, Prt.4, Ch.1 Grimshaw 1990, Ch. 1-3
4.	Nominalizations and argument structure 2.	Grimshaw 1990, Ch. 1-3 Alexiadou 2001 Ch.5
5.	Functional categories and Nominalizations. Aspect and Voice.	Alexiadou 2001 Ch.2
6.	Functional categories and Nominalizations. Chomsky 70 and the Distributed Morphology.	Chomsky 1970, Marantz 1997
7. 28.03	Functional categories and Nominalisations.	Alexiadou 2001

	(Student presentations : 1,2).	Alexiadou et al 2010; Haas et al 2008
8. 4.04	Follow-up for Aspect (discussion on former presentations of papers). Functional categories and nominalizations. Finiteness – sentential nominalizations. Other « verbo-nominal » domains	Ntelitheos, Doron & Reintges
9. 11.04.	<del>Sentential nominalizations – continued. Student presentation: Borsley &amp; Kornfilt</del>	<del>Borsley &amp; Kornfilt 2000</del>
10. 2.05.	Sentential nominalizations and subjects in nominalizations. Student presentation: Borsley & Kornfilt Milner	Borsley & Kornfilt 2000, Milner 1982
11. 9.05.	Sentential nominalizations – continued. « Agentive » nominalisations in the overall picture. Student presentation: Roy & Soare.	Levin & Rappaport 1994, Alexiadou 2001, Alexiadou & Schäfer 2008, Roy & Soare 2011
12. 16.05.	Back to formalisms: interactions between functional levels (Aspect and Voice, argument licensing). Internal and external derivation. Student presentation: Arabic masdar.	Borer 2001, 2005, Marantz 2011
13. 23.05.	Deadjectival nominalizations: tropes and other possibilities. Student presentation: Arsenijevic 2011 (Student presentation: Sign language)	Moltmann 2008, Villalba 2010, Arsenijevic 2011, Roy 2010
14. 30.05	Student presentations: Italian infinitives and reduplication. Nominalizations in Mauritian Creole. Russian? Conclusions.	

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