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## Position

**Macquarie University**, NSW, Australia  
Department of Cognitive Science  
ARC Centre of Excellence in Cognition and its Disorders  
Associate Investigator  
August 2012-today

## Education

**Harvard University**, Cambridge, MA  
Linguistics Department  
PhD  
Dissertation: “Soft but strong. Neg-raising, soft presuppositions and exhaustification”  
Committee: Gennaro Chierchia (chair), Irene Heim, Danny Fox and Bernhard Nickel

**University of Ljubljana**, Slovenia  
Faculty of Mathematics and Physics  
European Summer School on Logic, Language and Information (ESLLI)  
1-12, August 2011

**University of Milan-Bicocca**, Milan Italy  
Department of Computer Science and Department of Psychology  
BA, Theories and Technologies of Communication  
Dissertation: “Indexicals in Mixed Quotations”  
Advisor: Sandro Zucchi

**University of Milano-Bicocca**, Milan Italy  
Department of Psychology  
BA, Psychology of Communication

## Publications

### *Refereed Journals*

**Romoli Jacopo.** (2013). “Strong NPIs and negated neg-raising predicates”. *Snippets* 26.

Panizza, Daniele and **Romoli, Jacopo.** (in press) “On the Processing Alternatives, Exhaustification and Covert Negation. The case study of *mai*”. Falaus, A (ed.) *Alternatives in Semantics*. Basingstoke: Palgrave MacMillan

**Romoli Jacopo.** 2012. “A Solution to Soames’ Problem: Conditionals, Presuppositions and Exhaustification”. *International Review of Pragmatics* 4:2, 153-184.

**Romoli Jacopo.** 2012. “Obligatory Scalar Implicatures and Relevance: A Problematic Case” *Snippets*, 25; *Led Edizioni*

**Romoli Jacopo.** 2012 “Conflicting Presuppositions and Local Accommodation” *Snippets*, 24; *Led Edizioni*

### *Manuscripts under review and work in progress*

**Romoli, Jacopo** “A scalar implicature-based approach to Neg-raising.” (under review at *Linguistics and Philosophy*)

**Romoli, Jacopo** “The Presuppositions of Soft Triggers are obligatory scalar implicatures.” (under review at *Journal of Semantics* after an initial verdict of ‘revise and resubmit’).

**Romoli, Jacopo** “A problem for the structural characterization of alternatives.” (under review at *Snippets*)

**Romoli, Jacopo,** Clemens Mayr: “Locally useless with global effects: presuppositions, implicatures and the theory of triviality” (ms. Macquarie University-ZAS)

**Romoli, Jacopo,** Florian Schwarz “The processing of direct versus indirect scalar implicatures.” (ms. Macquarie University-UPenn)

Cory Bill, **Romoli, Jacopo,** Florian Schwarz, Stephen Crain “Local interpretations in children.” (ms. Macquarie University-UPenn)

**Romoli, Jacopo,** Khan, Manizeh, Sudo, Yasutada and Snedeker, Jesse. (2013) Solving temporary referential ambiguity using presupposed content (ms. Macquarie University-Harvard University)

Sudo, Yasutada, **Romoli, Jacopo,** Fox, Danny and Hackl, Martin. “Processing proviso inferences” (ms. ENS, Macquarie University, MIT)

**Romoli, Jacopo,** Moscati Vincenzo: “When pragmatics is not enough: modals, quantifiers and a bias for logical strength in children” (ms. Macquarie University)

**Romoli, Jacopo**, Drew Khlentzos, Stephen Crain “Conditionals are immaterial?” (ms. Macquarie University-ANU)

### ***Conference Proceedings***

Zhou, Peng, **Romoli, Jacopo** and Crain, Stephen. (to appear) “Children's knowledge of Alternatives”. *Proceedings of SALT 23*, University of Santa Cruz, California.

**Romoli, Jacopo**. (to appear). “A scalar implicature-based approach to Neg-raising”. *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 17, ENS, Paris*.

**Romoli, Jacopo** and Sudo, Yasutada. (2011) “An Experimental Investigation On The Presuppositions Of Conditionals”. *Proceedings of the Student Session, ESSLLI 2011*

Sudo, Yasutada, **Romoli, Jacopo**, Fox, Danny and Hackl, Martin. (2011) “Presupposition projection out of quantified sentences: strengthening, local accommodation and inter-speaker variation”, *Proceedings of the Formal Semantic Evidence Workshop, Amsterdam Colloquium 2011*

**Romoli, Jacopo**. (2011). “The Presuppositions of Soft Triggers are not Presuppositions”. In Neil Ashton, Anca Chereches, and David Lut (eds.), *Proceedings of Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT) 21*

**Romoli, Jacopo**, Sudo, Yasutada and Snedeker, Jesse (2011). “An Experimental Investigation of Presupposition Projection In Conditional Sentences”. In Neil Ashton, Anca Chereches, and David Lut (eds.), *Proceedings of Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT) 21*

**Romoli, Jacopo**. 2009. “Towards A Structural Account Of Conservativity”. In Martin Prinzhorn, Viola Schmitt and Sarah Zobel (eds.): *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 14*

**Romoli, Jacopo** and Sudo, Yasutada. 2008. “De Re/De Dicto Ambiguity And Presupposition Projection” in Arndt Riester and Torgrim Solstad (eds.), *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 13*

### **Conference Presentations**

Zhou, Peng, **Romoli, Jacopo** and Crain, Stephen. (2013) Children's knowledge of Alternatives. Poster presentation at SALT 23, May 3-5, University of Santa Cruz, California.

**Romoli, Jacopo**, Khan, Manizeh, Sudo, Yasutada and Snedeker, Jesse. (2013) Solving temporary referential ambiguity using presupposed content. Poster presentation at CUNY 2013, March 21-23, University of South Carolina.

**Romoli, Jacopo**. “A scalar implicature-based approach to Neg-raising inferences”, talk presented at Sinn und Bedeutung 17, 2012, Paris.

**Romoli, Jacopo**, Sudo, Yasutada, Fox, Danny and Hackl, Martin. “Variation of presupposition projection in Quantificational Sentences”, Poster presented at the Formal Semantic Evidence Workshop, Amsterdam Colloquium 2011, Holland.

**Romoli Jacopo**. 2011. “A Solution to Soames’ Problem: Conditionals, Presuppositions and Exhaustification”. Talk given at TPrag 2011, ZAS, Berlin, Germany

**Romoli, Jacopo** and Sudo, Yasutada. 2011. “An Experimental Investigation on the presuppositions of Conditionals”. Student Session, ESSLLI 2011, Ljubljana, Slovenia, August 8-12.

**Romoli, Jacopo**. 2011. “The Presuppositions of Soft Triggers are not Presuppositions”. Talk given at SALT 21, Rutgers University

**Romoli, Jacopo**, Sudo, Yasutada and Snedeker, Jesse. 2011. “An Experimental investigation of presupposition projection in conditional sentences”. Talk given at SALT 21 - Rutgers University

**Romoli, Jacopo**, Sudo, Yasutada, Fox, Danny and Hackl, Martin. 2011. “Presupposition projection in Quantificational Sentences”, Poster given at PEPA3 - Rutgers University

**Romoli Jacopo**. 2010. “Experimental Investigations on Embedded Scalar Implicatures”, talk given at Scalar Implicatures Workshop, June the 17th, Harvard University

**Romoli, Jacopo**, Mayr, Clemens, O’Donnell, Timothy, Sudo, Yasutada and Jesse Snedeker. 2009. “Eye movements in Conversation: investigating presupposition processing”. Talk given at the Southern New England Workshop in Semantics, February the 27th, Harvard University

**Romoli, Jacopo**. 2009. “Towards a Structural Account of Conservativity”, talk given at Sinn und Bedeutung 14 (SuB14). September 28-September 30, 2009. Universität Wien, Austria.

Graff, Peter, **Jacopo Romoli**, Andrea Moro and Jesse Snedeker. 2009. “Exploring a Learning Bias against Non-Conservative Determiners”. Poster presented at the 22nd Annual Meeting of the CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing.

**Romoli, Jacopo** and Sudo, Yasutada. 2008. “De re/de dicto ambiguity and presupposition projection”, Sinn und Bedeutung 13 (SuB13). September 30-October 2, 2008. Universität Stuttgart, Germany.

## **Invited Talks**

**Romoli, Jacopo**. 2012 “Neg-raising inferences: presuppositions or scalar implicatures?” Presuppositions in Context, workshop, Lichtenberg-Kolleg, Göttingen.

**Romoli, Jacopo**. 2012 “A Solution to Soames’ Problem: Presuppositions, Conditionals and Exhaustification”, February 9th 2012, Department of Linguistics, University of Connecticut

**Romoli, Jacopo**. 2011 “Presuppositions in Conditionals: an Experimental Approach”, October 17th 2011, Department of Psychology, University of Geneva

**Romoli, Jacopo. 2011** “Presuppositions in Conditionals: an Experimental Approach”, October 3rd 2011, Department of Psychology, University of Milan-Bicocca

**Romoli, Jacopo. 2011** “Conditionals, Exhaustification and Presuppositions”, September 17<sup>th</sup> 2011, Department of Philosophy, University of Milan

## **Honors and Awards**

- **Harvard University**,
  - Dissertation Completion Fellowship, 2011-2012
  - Mind and Brain and Behavior Program, Graduate Students Award 2010
  - The Douglas Dillon Fellowship 2007-2008
- **CUNY**
  - Conference on Human Sentence Processing, Travel Award 2008

## **Teaching**

**Harvard University**, Departments of Philosophy, Linguistics and Computer Science

- Teaching Assistant: *Making Sense: Logic, Language and Thought*, for Professor Gennaro Chierchia, Bernhard Nickel, Stuart Shieber Spring 2011

**Harvard University**, Department of Linguistics

- Instructor: *Conditionals, Meaning, Structure and use* Spring 2011
- Teaching Assistant: *Introduction to Semantics* for Professor Gennaro Chierchia, Fall 2010
- Instructor: *Understanding Scalar Implicatures*. Fall 2010
- Teaching Assistant: *Introduction to Linguistics*, for Professor Amy Rose Deal, Spring 2010
- Instructor: *The Semantics and Pragmatics of Focus*. Spring 2010
- Instructor: *Pragmatics and Grammar, the case of presuppositions*. Fall 2009
- Teaching Assistant: *Language and Cognition*, for Professor Andrew Nevins, Fall 2009

## **RESEARCH AFFILIATIONS**

**Harvard University**, Cambridge, MA  
Laboratory of Developmental Studies, Snedeker’s Lab

**MIT**, Cambridge, MA  
Linguistics Department, Hackl's Lab  
Brain and Cognitive Sciences, Gabrieli's lab

**Vita-Salute San Raffaele University**, Milan, Italy  
Neuroscience Department  
Visiting Fellow, Summer 2008

## **SERVICE**

*Journal of Semantics, Semantics and Pragmatics, Humana Mente, Sinn und Bedeutung 13*  
Occasional Reviewer

Harvard University, Bok Center for teaching and learning Occasional Consultant

Semantics New England Work Shop (SNEWS) at Harvard University, Organizer (with Hazel Pearson, Manizeh Khan and Andreea Nicolae)

Harvard University, Harvard Language and Cognition Seminar, Organizer (with Joshua Hartshorne)

Harvard Linguistic Colloquium Series, Organizer (with Hiroki Narita)

## **ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Publisher Codice Edizioni, Turin, Italy Editorial, member of the Editorial Board

Codice Idee per la Cultura, Turin, Scientific Director of the International Rome Science Festival and the International Genoa Science Festival

Publisher Codice Edizioni, Translator of the book "Fab, The Coming Revolution on Your Desktop" by Neil Gershenfeld, Basic Books 2005

## **LANGUAGES**

**English:** fluent **Italian:** native **Spanish:** reading knowledge **German:** reading knowledge

## REFERENCES

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