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Opening Ceremony Cheng Yu Tung Building (CYT) 202	
8:30	Registration
9:00–9:20 Opening Ceremony	Opening Speech by Prof. C.-T. James HUANG, Harvard University / National Taiwan Normal University Welcoming Speech by Prof. Sze-Wing TANG, T.T. Ng Chinese Language Research Centre, CUHK Group Photo Taking
<u>Session 1: NP</u>	
	Chair: Dun DENG (The Chinese University of Hong Kong)
	Venue: Cheng Yu Tung Building (CYT) 202
9:20–9:50	Qiushi CHEN University of Connecticut NP-fronting in Shizhu vs. N-to-D in Zunyi: On shifts in movement type
9:50–10:20	Zhendong LIU University of Southern California nP-phasality and a subtle sign of successive cyclicity in colloquial Lhasa Tibetan
10:20–10:50	Jiayuan CHEN and Ariela YE Rutgers University Demonstratives and epithets in bare noun languages
10:50–11:10	Tea Break: Cheng Yu Tung Building (CYT) 2/F

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<u>Session 2: De/NP</u>	
	Chair: Tommy Tsz-Ming LEE (City University of Hong Kong)
	Venue: Cheng Yu Tung Building (CYT) 202
11:10 – 11:40	Wei-Tien Dylan TSAI National Tsing Hua University On the Nature of Modifier Phrase
11:40 – 12:10	Ruiyang CHEN and Xiaoshi HU Tsinghua University On the syntax of nominal <i>de</i>-construction in Chinese
12:10 – 12:40	Esther LAM University of Edinburgh Mapping meaning to structure: Cantonese argumental and predicative nominal phrases
12:40 – 13:40	Lunch

<u>Poster Session A (1st Day)</u>	
	Venue: Cheng Yu Tung Building (CYT) 201
13:40 – 14:40	<p>A1 Michael BARRIE and Gune KIM Sogang University Headedness and Classifiers in Japanese and Korean Nominals</p>
	<p>A2 Chun-Tien Jonathan CHEN National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University Affectedness and Anti-locality of Mandarin Affective-<i>gei</i> Constructions</p>
	<p>A3 Rong HE and Mingming LIU Tsinghua University From negated epistemic necessity to question bias: Evidence from Southwestern Mandarin <i>weibi</i></p>
	<p>A4 Shuqi HU, Aijun HUANG and Zhuang WU Shanghai Jiao Tong University and Guangdong University of Foreign Studies A Cartographic Account of NP₁NP₂V in Mandarin: Evidence from Mandarin Children and Adults</p>
	<p>A5 Shaoyu Ipos HUANG National Tsing Hua University A Semantic and Pragmatic Analysis of Concessive Conditionals with <i>Jiùsuàn</i> in Mandarin</p>
	<p>A6 Mengxi JIA University Konstanz One Result Domain, Two Interpretive Paths: Rethinking Post-de Material in Mandarin Chinese</p>
	<p>A7 Jieqiong LI and Gladys TANG The Chinese University of Hong Kong Revisit HKSL pronouns from a child language acquisition perspective: How many grammatical persons are distinguished?</p>

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	Venue: Cheng Yu Tung Building (CYT) 201
13:40 – 14:40	<p>A8 Xiangyu LI and Victor Junnan PAN The Chinese University of Hong Kong V-<i>qílái</i> in Chinese: directional verb, aspect marker or <i>bǔyǔ biāoji</i> ‘complementizer’</p>
	<p>A9 Xinyi LI National University of Singapore Speaker intention and the encoding of disjunction: <i>háishì</i> and <i>huòzhè</i> in Mandarin</p>
	<p>A10 Zhengliang LIU, Haizheng LI and Xiaoying XU Beijing Normal University The Impact of Verb Factivity on the Acceptability of Dependency Relations in Mandarin: A Processing-Distribution Integration Account</p>
	<p>A11 Pu MENG George Mason University Influence of Animacy and Collectivity on the Production of the Optional Mandarin Plural Marker <i>men</i></p>
	<p>A12 Wanqing NI Hunan University Mandarin <i>ba</i> as an Overt Causative Construction: Rethinking Overt <i>Cause</i> Semantics in a SEM-Based Analysis</p>
	<p>A13 Fangning REN Tsinghua University Base-Generated Wh-Ex-Situ in Mandarin: The Role of Prolepsis</p>
	<p>A14 Wenze WU and Tommy Tsz-Ming LEE City University of Hong Kong No reason <i>why</i>: Chinese <i>wh</i>-expressions in embedded contexts</p>

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<u>Session 3: Focus</u>	
	Chair: Jing JIN (The Education University of Hong Kong)
	Venue: Cheng Yu Tung Building (CYT) 202
14:40 – 15:10	Yenan SUN and Ka Hin NG The Chinese University of Hong Kong A Maximize Presupposition account for the co-occurrence of <i>zhiyou</i> and <i>cai</i>
15:10 – 15:40	Zhuang CHEN and Linmin ZHANG Bar-Ilan University and New York University, Shanghai A novel perspective on Mandarin <i>hekuang</i> (<i>let alone</i>) in light of <i>dou</i> (<i>even</i>)
15:40 – 16:10	Lei CHU and Haoze LI Nanyang Technological University Circumventing intervention through association: An experimental investigation
16:10 – 16:30	Tea Break: Cheng Yu Tung Building (CYT) 2/F
<u>Session 4: CP/Left periphery</u>	
	Chair: Winnie CHOR (Hong Kong Baptist University)
	Venue: Cheng Yu Tung Building (CYT) 202
16:30 – 17:00	Trần PHAN and Roger LIAO National Tsing Hua University and Academia Sinica Copula complementizers in Mandarin and Vietnamese
17:00 – 17:30	Jiahong WANG and Lawrence Yam Leung CHEUNG The Chinese University of Hong Kong A Unified EvalP Analysis of Egophoricity in Golog Tibetan
17:30 – 18:00	Yupei ZHANG The University of Tokyo Non-coreferential sentence-final Noun-Copula in Korean revisited
18:00	Welcoming Dinner

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<u>Session 5: Tense and Aspect</u>	
	Chair: Yen-an SUN (The Chinese University of Hong Kong)
	Venue: Cheng Yu Tung Building (CYT) 202
9:00–9:30	Siyu WANG Capital Normal University Flavors of telicity, quantization and semi-functionality: Lessons from Chinese
9:30–10:00	Kanta TATENO University of Connecticut The specificity dimension of tense: Evidence from Japanese
10:00–10:30	Zhuo CHEN, Jiahui HUANG[†] and Ka-Fai YIP The Chinese University of Hong Kong, University of Washington, and Yale University Sentence-final negation questions from a comparative perspective
10:30–10:50	Tea Break: Cheng Yu Tung Building (CYT) 2/F
<u>Session 6: Complementation and Argument Realization</u>	
	Chair: Chaak Ming LAU (The Education University of Hong Kong)
	Venue: Cheng Yu Tung Building (CYT) 202
10:50–11:20	Sam Zequan QU and Nick HUANG National University of Singapore Control, Complement Size, and Overt Controlees in Mandarin: An Experimental Study
11:20–11:50	Brian AGBAYANI and Toru ISHII California State University, Fresno, and Meiji University On Multiple Stripping in Japanese
11:50–12:20	Yunhuan WANG University of Gottingen Name-based Analysis of Verbs with Peripheral Arguments in Mandarin Chinese
12:20–13:20	Lunch

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	B3 Jiajia WANG University of Rochester Mandarin Chinese Verbal Classifier Construction
	B4 Yaxuan WANG and Xiaoke BU Tianjin University of Science and Technology and Michigan State University Postsuppositional additives for listing interpretations
	B5 Qi WU University of Connecticut Varieties and (de)composition of TRY in Mandarin SEE-as-TRY constructions
	B6 Ruikai REN Tsinghua University The “Object <i>shi</i> Verb” Construction in Archaic Chinese: A Light Verb Analysis at the Syntax-Semantics Interface
	B7 Jin YAN The Chinese University of Hong Kong Revisit Mandarin A-not-A questions: adverbials and cartography

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	B9 Sijie YIN Hunan University The Semantics of Approximative <i>mianqiang</i> in Mandarin Chinese
	B10 Hai-tian ZHANG and Hui-bin ZHUANG Shandong University Juxtaposition and Ellipsis: A Syntactic and Semantic Study of the “NP+VP+de” Construction
	B11 Linmin ZHANG and Florence ZHANG-YUKUN New York University, Shanghai, and Yale University Chinese <i>gèng</i> and its norm-sensitive inference
	B12 Yuchen ZHANG and Fuyun WU Shanghai Jiao Tong University Alternative Salience and Context Adaptation in Implicature Derivation: Experimental Evidence from Mandarin Chinese
	B13 Zepu ZHANG Peking University The licensing of Mandarin non-canonical objects

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<u>Session 7: Discourse</u>	
	Chair: Zhuo CHEN (The Chinese University of Hong Kong)
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14:20 – 14:50	Miao Xiang LIM and Ka Hin NG The Chinese University of Hong Kong (Implicit) directive on one <i>hann</i>, echo question on the other <i>hann</i>
14:50 – 15:20	Zhixian HUANG University of Southern California Indifference as an alternative-sensitive attitude report
15:20 – 15:50	Semoon HOE, Dongsik LIM and Yugyeong PARK Seoul National University and Hongik University Echoic Responses as Free Indirect Discourse: a case study from Korean
15:50 – 16:10	Tea Break: Cheng Yu Tung Building (CYT) 2/F
<u>Session 8: Semantic Distinctions</u>	
	Chair: Victor Junnan PAN (The Chinese University of Hong Kong)
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16:10 – 16:40	Jingwen HUANG and Zhuosi LUO Beijing Language and Culture University and Beijing Foreign Studies University On negative causation: A case study on Mandarin <i>zǔzhǐ</i> and <i>zǔ'ài</i>
16:40 – 17:10	Minghui QIU Zhejiang University Distinguishing Number and Degree in Mandarin
17:10 – 17:45	Closing Remarks by Prof. C.-T. James HUANG, Harvard University / National Taiwan Normal University
17:45 – 17:55	Closing Ceremony by Prof. Sze-Wing TANG, T.T. Ng Chinese Language Research Centre, CUHK