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EDUCATION

- 2018 Ph.D. in Linguistics
The Ohio State University, Department of Linguistics
- 2013 M.A. in Linguistics
The Ohio State University, Department of Linguistics
- 2011 M.A. in Philosophy
Universidad de Puerto Rico, Departamento de Filosofía
- 2008 B.A. in Philosophy
Universidad de Puerto Rico, Departamento de Filosofía

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Mathematical Linguistics & Symbolic Logic

Philosophy of Language & Epistemology

Syntax, Semantics and Pragmatics

Psycholinguistics

AI Behavior Engineering

WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2019—present Linguistic Engineer at Reality Labs, Meta
- 2019—2019 Ontology Linguist at Facebook
- 2018—2019 Adjunct Professor at Ohio State University

ARTICLES

- Under review **Redefining Natural Language: from \aleph^0 to 2^{\aleph^0} .**
- 2023 **Piecewise Structural Equation Modeling of the collective implicature in child language.** *Language Acquisition*, 1-30.
- 2021 A collective-distributive pragmatic scale and the developing lexicon. *Language Learning and Development* 17 (1), 48-66.
- 2018 **Degree modification and pluractionality.** *Borealis: An International Journal of Hispanic Linguistics*, 7 (2), 217-236.
- 2018 **El papel de la Pregunta Bajo Investigación en la generación de implicaturas escalares en adultos y niños hispanohablantes** (with J. Grinstead). *Signos Lingüísticos* 13(24).
- 2016 **The non-canonical use of *adios* in Puerto Rican Spanish.** In Bui, T., & Ivan, R.-R. (Eds.), *Sula 9: Proceedings of the Ninth Conference on the Semantics of Under-Represented Languages in the Americas* (pp. 87-96). CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform.
- 2016 **Generalized gradability and extremeness in Puerto Rican Spanish** (with J. Gutiérrez- Rexach & M. Gonzalez-Rivera). In Cuza, Alejandro, Lori Czerwionka and Daniel Olson (Eds.), *Hispanic Linguistics. From theory to empirical evidence* (pp. 95-111). Amsterdam: John Benjamins Publishing Company.
- 2016 **Extremeness and gradability in Puerto Rican Spanish** (with J. Gutiérrez-Rexach & M. Gonzalez-Rivera). In Nicholas Faraclas, Ronald Severing, Christa Weijer, Elisabeth Echteld & Wim Rutgers (Eds.), *Envisioning the greater Greater Caribbean - Transgressing geographical and disciplinary boundaries* (pp. 331-346). Curacao: FPI & UoC/RPR.
- 2015 **Preposition stranding in a non-preposition stranding Language: Contact or language change?** (with M. Gonzalez-Rivera). In González-Rivera, M., & Sessarego, S. *New perspectives on Hispanic contact: Linguistics in the Americas* (pp. 283-300). Madrid: Iberoamericana.
- 2011 **Is p-stranding possible in Puerto Rican Spanish?** (with M. Gonzalez-Rivera). In Faraclas, N., R. Severing, C. Weijer, E. Echteld, and M. Hinds-Layne. (Eds.) *Anansi's Defiant Webs: Contact, continuity, convergence, and complexity in the Languages, Literatures, and Cultures of the Greater Caribbean* (pp. 27-46). Willemstad: the University of Curaçao and Fundashon pa.
- 2010 **La sintaxis husseriana: Una introducción a la gramática categorial a través de sus fundamentos filosófico-históricos.** *UPR Working Papers in Linguistics*, Vol. 3, No. 1, pp. 19-38.

- under rev. **The semantics and pragmatics of child and adult collective and distributive determiner interpretation**, (with J. Grinstead). *Cognition: International Journal of Cognitive Science*.
- under rev. **Pluractionality as scalar events – evidence from Puerto Rican Spanish.** *Probus: International Journal of Romance Linguistics*.
- under rev. **Distributive and collective quantifier relationships in the lexicon: inhibition, implicature, and entailment**, (with J. Grinstead, M. Nieves-Rivera & M. Oates). *Journal of Memory and Language*.
- under rev. **The semantics of beyond expected in Puerto Rican Spanish.** *Probus: International Journal of Romance Linguistics*.

REFEREED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2018 **The semantics of scalar predicate modifiers in Spanish.** Hispanic Linguistics Symposium (HLS) 2018. The University of Texas at Austin.
- 2018 **Quantifier relationships in the lexicon: Scalar competence and performance** (with Grinstead, J; & Nieves-Rivera, M.). Hispanic Linguistics Symposium (HLS) 2018. The University of Texas at Austin.
- 2018 **Quantifier relationships in the lexicon: Scalar competence and performance** (with Grinstead, J; Oates, M., Nieves-Rivera, M.). 43rd Boston University Conference on Language Development (BUCLD 43). Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts.
- 2018 **Quantifier relationships in the lexicon: Scalar competence and performance** (with Grinstead, J; Oates, M., Nieves-Rivera, M.). 8th Generative Approaches to Language Acquisition North America (GALANA 8) Conference. Indiana University, Bloomington.
- 2018 **Generation of scalar implicatures in Spanish-speaking adults and children: the role of the question under discussion** (with Grinstead, J., Cantú-Sánchez, M., Flores-Avalos, B., Nieves-Rivera, M., & Arrieta-Zamudio, X.). Symposium on Research in Child Language Disorders (SRCLD) 2018. Madison, Wisconsin.
- 2018 **Quantifier relationships in the lexicon: Scalar competence and performance** (with Grinstead, J; Oates, M., Nieves-Rivera, M.) Symposium on Research in Child Language Disorders (SRCLD) 2018. Madison, Wisconsin.
- 2017 **The role of information structure in contextualizing language teaching.** The Second Language Research Forum (SLRF) 2017. Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.
- 2016 **Development of a collective-distributive pragmatic Scale** (with Grinstead, J; Nieves-Rivera, M; & González-Bonilla, D.) 41st Boston University Conference on Language Development (BUCLD 41). Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts.

- 2016 **The pragmatic and semantics of *unos*, *los* and *cada* in child Puerto Rican Spanish** (Grinstead, J; & Nieves-Rivera, M.) Hispanic Linguistics Symposium (HLS) 2016. Georgetown University, Washington DC.
- 2016 **Development of a collective-distributive pragmatic Scale** (with Grinstead, J; Nieves-Rivera, M; & González-Bonilla, D.). 7th Generative Approaches to Language Acquisition North America (GALANA 7) Conference, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, IL.
- 2016 **The non-canonical use of *Adios* in Puerto Rican Spanish** (with Nieves-Rivera, M.) Semantics of Under-Represented Languages in the Americas (SULA) 7, Cornell University, May 4-6, 2016.
- 2016 **Intensificadores de grados y modalidad en el español del Caribe** (Gutiérrez-Rexach, J.) II Jornadas de Lingüística LINGUAQ, Universidad Autónoma de Querétaro, Mexico.
- 2016 **Degree intensifiers and modality in Caribbean Spanish** (with Gutiérrez-Rexach, J. and Gonzalez-Rivera, M.) 46th Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages (LSRL 46), Stony Brook University (SUNY), New York, March 31-April 3, 2016.
- 2015 **Non-verbal exclamatives at the syntax/semantics interface** (with Gutiérrez-Rexach, J.) Ohio State University Congress on Hispanic and Lusophone Linguistics (OSUCHiLL) XIX 2015, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH.
- 2015 **On the nature of tan/más in Puerto Rican Spanish** (with Gutiérrez-Rexach, J.) 6th Cultural Crossing Over Symposium, Cleveland State University 2015.
- 2015 **On the nature of tan/más in Puerto Rican Spanish** (with Gutiérrez-Rexach, J.) Hispanic Linguistics Symposium (HLS) 2015. The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- 2015 **Como exageran los puertorriqueños: event extremeness in Puerto Rican Spanish** (Gutiérrez-Rexach, J. & Gonzalez-Rivera, M.) Kaleidoscope 2015, University of Wisconsin, Madison.
- 2015 **Collective and distributive interpretation: The development of semantic primitives in child Spanish** (with Grinstead, J; Nieves-Rivera, M; & González-Bonilla, D.) Symposium on Research in Child Language Disorders (SRCLD 2015). Monona Terrace Convention Center in Madison, Wisconsin.
- 2014 **Generalized gradability and extremeness in Puerto Rican Spanish** (with Gutiérrez-Rexach, J. & Gonzalez-Rivera, M). Hispanic Linguistics Symposium (HLS) 2014, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana.
- 2014 **Spanish degree modifiers and pluractionality** (with Gutiérrez-Rexach, J.) 44th Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages (LSRL 44). The University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario.

- 2014 **The cross-categoriality of gradability: evidence from Spanish.** Ohio State University Congress on Hispanic and Lusophone Linguistics (OSUCHiLL) XVII 2014, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH.
- 2014 ***Corrió, corrió y corrió: pluractionals in Puerto Rican Spanish.*** Linguistic Association of the Southwest (LASSO) XLII 2013. The College of New Jersey & the West Chester University of Pennsylvania, New Brunswick, NJ.
- 2011 **P-stranding under sluicing in Puerto Rican Spanish** (with Gonzalez-Rivera, M. and Ruedas, J.) Linguistic Association of the Southwest (LASSO) LX 2011, University of Texas.
- 2011 **Is p-stranding under sluicing possible in Spanish?** (with Gonzalez-Rivera, M.) Ohio State University Congress on Hispanic and Lusophone Linguistics