Linguistic Predictions

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Fung King Hey Building,
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Abstract:

Language users are thought to anticipate upcoming information rather than passively wait for what comes next. However, there is controversy about what kind of information is anticipated, the granularity of linguistic prediction, and the replicability of previous findings. This talk will review recent work to highlight the extent and limits of linguistic prediction.

Speaker:

Mante Nieuwland completed his BA, MA and PhD Cum Laude degrees in Psychology all from the University of Amsterdam. He subsequently worked as a Rubicon post-doctoral researcher at Tufts University (2007-2009), as a staff scientist at the Basque Center for Cognition, Brain and Language (2010-2012) and as a Chancellor’s Fellow/Tenured Lecturer at the University of Edinburgh (2012-2016), and he is currently a senior investigator in the Department of Neurobiology of Language at the Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics. His research focuses on how the brain achieves high-level aspects of language processing, such as pragmatic and referential meaning, and on the role of incremental and predictive processing in language comprehension.

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