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## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## PERSONAL DATA

Date of birth: 1 July 1981  
Nationality: Hungarian

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

natural language processing (especially corpus building, information extraction, computational morphology, parsing), lexical semantics, dependency syntax

## DEGREES

- 2015 PhD in Computer Science, University of Szeged  
Thesis title: *Uncertainty Detection in Natural Language Texts*
- 2012 PhD in Linguistics, University of Szeged  
Thesis title: *Semi-Compositional Noun + Verb Constructions: Theoretical Questions and Computational Linguistic Analyses*
- 2004 MA in General Linguistics, University of Szeged  
Thesis title: *Analyzing Light Verb Constructions with the Help of Lexical Functions (in Hungarian)*
- 2004 MA in English Language and Literature, University of Szeged  
Thesis title: *Complimenting Habits of Hungarian Students*

## EDUCATION

- 2004-2007 Theoretical Linguistics PhD programme, University of Szeged
- 1999-2004 General Linguistics BA&MA programme, University of Szeged
- 1999-2004 English Language and Literature BA&MA programme, University of Szeged
- 2001-2004 Portuguese Language and Literature Minor, University of Szeged

## WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2018- Senior research fellow at the MTA-SZTE Research Group on Artificial Intelligence
- 2017-2018 QA Manager in Data Science – Black Swan Hungary
- 2015-2018 Language technology developer – Lionbridge Technologies Inc.
- 2013- Senior lecturer at the University of Szeged, Department of Informatics, Human Language Technology Group

- 2012-2018 Research fellow at the MTA-SZTE Research Group on Artificial Intelligence
- 2005-2011 Junior research fellow at the University of Szeged, Department of Informatics, Human Language Technology Group
- 2009 Part-time researcher at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Institute for Linguistics, Department of Language Technology and Sociolinguistics, Research Group for Language Technology
- 2000-2005 Student annotator at the University of Szeged, Department of Informatics, Human Language Technology Group

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

- 2015-2016 *INFRA: Developing an open source, integrated research infrastructure for natural language processing* sponsored by the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. Role: researcher, computational linguist expert
- 2013-2017 *PARSEME: PARSing and Multi-word Expressions. Towards linguistic precision and computational efficiency in natural language processing.* An ICT COST Action sponsored by the European Union. Role: researcher, Steering Committee member, ESR representative
- 2013-2017 *Computational tools for the revitalization of endangered Finno-Ugric minority languages (FinUgRevita)* sponsored by the Finnish Academy of Sciences and the Hungarian National Research Fund. Role: researcher, computational linguist expert
- 2013-2015 *Telemedicine Oriented Research in the Fields of Mathematics, Informatics and Medical Sciences* sponsored by the European Union and the European Social Fund. Role: researcher, linguist expert
- 2012-2014 *Infocommunicational technologies and the society of the future* sponsored by the European Union and the European Social Fund. Role: researcher, linguist expert
- 2009-2012 *Development of Model-Based Semantic Search System* sponsored by the National Office for Research and Technology, Hungary. Role: researcher, linguist expert
- 2007-2008 *Development of an effective knowledge management tool by integrating linguistic and graph-theoretical tools for Hungarian and EU customs authorities* sponsored by the National Office for Research and Technology, Hungary. Role: researcher, linguist expert
- 2005-2007 *Construction of the Hungarian WordNet Ontology and its Application in Information Extraction Systems* sponsored by the National Office for Research and Technology, Hungary. Role: researcher, linguist expert
- 2005-2007 *Hungarian-English Machine Translation System* sponsored by the National Office for Research and Technology, Hungary. Role: researcher, linguist expert
- 2002-2004 *Machine learning of syntax rules (application of machine learning methods for the generation of Hungarian syntactic rules)* sponsored by the Ministry of Education, Hungary. Role: chief annotator, linguist
- 2001-2003 *Information Extraction from Short Business News* sponsored by the Ministry of Education, Hungary.

- Role: chief annotator, linguist  
 2000-2002 *Development of a Part-of-Speech Tagging Method for Hungarian by using Machine Learning Algorithms* sponsored by the Ministry of Education, Hungary.  
 Role: chief annotator, linguist

### AWARDS, PRIZES, SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2017-2018 Scholarship for young researchers, granted by New National Excellence Programme of Hungary.
- 2017 Women in Science Excellence Award (in information technology).
- 2016 Herman József Young Researcher Award, granted by the Research Institute For Linguistics, Hungary.
- 2015 Visiting researcher at CSLI, Stanford University, Stanford, USA (2.5 months), granted by the PARSEME COST Action.
- 2015 Best Young Researcher Award at the 11th Conference on Hungarian Computational Linguistics.
- 2014 Erdős Pál Scholarship for young researchers, granted by National Excellence Programme of Hungary.
- 2012 DAAD scholarship for young researchers at the Universität Trier, Trier, Germany (5 months).
- 2008 2nd place at the *Obesity Challenge*, team Szeged.
- 2005 4th place at the call *Language and language use within the family* issued by the National Office of Cultural Heritage, Hungary.
- 2003-2004 ERASMUS scholarship at the Université de Paris III, Sorbonne Nouvelle, Paris, France (4 months).
- 2002-2004 Fellowship granted by the Hungarian Republic.
- 2001-2003 Fellowship granted by the municipality of Balatonfüred, Hungary.

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2017 *Introduction to Computational Linguistics* – newly designed course for PhD students, in Hungarian, Faculty of Arts, University of Szeged.
- 2016 *Introduction to Computational Linguistics* – newly designed course for BA students, in Hungarian, Faculty of Arts, University of Szeged.
- 2014 *Mesterséges intelligencia [Artificial Intelligence]* – for BA and BSc students, in Hungarian, University of Szeged.
- 2014 *Programozás nyelvészeknek - Java [Programming for Linguists – Java]* – newly designed course for BA students, in Hungarian, Faculty of Arts, University of Szeged.
- 2013 *Nyelvészet az informatikában – informatika a nyelvészetben [Linguistics in Informatics – Informatics in Linguistics]* – newly designed course for BSc students, in Hungarian, Faculty of Science and Informatics, University of Szeged.
- 2013- *Korpuszok a nyelvészeti kutatásban [Corpora in Linguistic Research]* – newly designed course for BA students, in Hungarian, Faculty of Arts, University of Szeged.
- 2013 *A számítógépes nyelvfeldolgozás alapjai [Basics of natural language processing]* – newly designed course for BA students, in Hungarian, Faculty of Arts, University of Szeged.

- 2012- *How to Write Scientific Papers?* – newly designed course for PhD students, Faculty of Science and Informatics, University of Szeged.
- 2011 *Syntax-Morphology Interface and Natural Language Processing*. Thematic Training Course on Processing Morphologically Rich Languages, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Institute for Linguistics – University of Helsinki.
- 2004-2007 *English syntax* for BA students, University of Szeged, Institute of English and American Studies.
- 2004- English language, private classes.
- 2004 English language, Ságvári Endre High School, Szeged, Hungary (teaching practice).
- In 2017/18, I supervise 3 PhD-theses at the University of Szeged.

## REVIEWING ACTIVITY

Conferences: ACL-2013, ACL-MWE 2016, RANLP-2013, EACL-MWE-2014, NAACL-2016, NAACL-2018, NAACL-MWE-2013, NAACL-MWE-2015, MoMa 2015, PolTal-2014, Baltic NLP 2018, Law-CxG-MWE 2018, CoNLL-2013 Shared Task, CoNLL-2010 Shared Task

Journals: Journal of Language Modelling (member of editorial board), Language Resources and Evaluation, Natural Language Engineering, Studies in Computational Intelligence (Springer series), BMC Research Notes, Applied Linguistics, Nyelvtudomány

## CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION

- 2017-2018 The PARSEME Shared Task on Identifying Verbal Multiword Expressions
- 2017 The 13th Workshop on Multiword Expressions (MWE 2017)
- 2016 Second International Workshop on Computational Linguistics for Uralic Languages 2010 the CoNLL-2010 Shared Task
- 2008 the Fourth Global WordNet Conference (GWC2008)
- 2007- Conferences on Hungarian Computational Linguistics
- 2005-2006 the 9th and 10th National Conferences of PhD Students of Linguistics

## PUBLICATIONS

164 publications (87 in English, 77 in Hungarian, 27 single author, 38 first author)  
 1 book, 4 book chapters, 15 journal papers, 2 PhD theses, 130 conference papers, 12 edited proceedings  
 h-index = 14, independent citations > 700, Erdős number = 3

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS<sup>1</sup>

Savary, Agata; Ramisch, Carlos; Cordeiro, Silvio; Sangati, Federico; Vincze, Veronika; QasemiZadeh, Behrang; Candito, Marie; Cap, Fabienne; Giouli, Voula; Stoyanova, Ivelina; Doucet, Antoine 2017. The PARSEME Shared Task on Automatic Identification of Verbal Multiword Expressions. In: Markantonatou, Stella; Ramisch, Carlos; Savary, Agata; Vincze, Veronika (eds.) Proceedings of the 13th Workshop on Multiword Expressions (MWE 2017). ACL, Valencia, pp. 31-47.

<sup>1</sup> For a full list of publications, please visit

<https://vm.mtmt.hu/search/docres.php?lang=0&filter=4&SCTrue=1&SCFalse=1&SCNull=1&AuthorID=10027782&tmtbe=4&oszt=0#>

Vincze, Veronika; Gosztolya, Gábor; Tóth, László; Hoffmann, Ildikó; Szatlóczki, Gréta; Bánréti, Zoltán; Pákáski, Magdolna; Kálmán, János 2016. Detecting Mild Cognitive Impairment by Exploiting Linguistic Information from Transcripts. In: Erk, Katrin; Smith, Noah A. (eds.): Proceedings of the 54th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics. Association for Computational Linguistics, Berlin, pp. 181-187.

Vincze, Veronika 2014: Uncertainty Detection in Hungarian Texts. In: *Proceedings of COLING 2014*, Dublin, pp. 1844-1853.

Vincze, Veronika; Nagy T., István; Farkas, Richárd 2013: Identifying English and Hungarian Light Verb Constructions: A Contrastive Approach. In: *Proceedings of ACL 2013 (Volume 2: Short Papers)*, pp. 255-261.

Vincze, Veronika; Zsibrita, János; Nagy T., István 2013: Dependency Parsing for Identifying Hungarian Light Verb Constructions. In: *Proceedings of IJCNLP 2013*, pp. 207-215.

Szarvas, György; Vincze, Veronika; Farkas, Richárd; Móra, György; Gurevych, Iryna 2012. Cross-Genre and Cross-Domain Detection of Semantic Uncertainty. *Computational Linguistics – Special Issue on Modality and Negation* 38(2):335-367.

Farkas, Richárd; Vincze, Veronika; Schmid, Helmut 2012. Dependency Parsing of Hungarian: Baseline Results and Challenges. In: *Proceedings of the Thirteenth Conference of the European Chapter of Association for Computational Linguistics (EACL-2012)*, Avignon, France.

Vincze, Veronika; Csirik, János 2010. Hungarian Corpus of Light Verb Constructions. In: *Proceedings of COLING 2010*, Beijing, China.

Farkas, Richárd; Vincze, Veronika; Móra, György; Csirik, János; Szarvas, György 2010. The CoNLL-2010 Shared Task: Learning to Detect Hedges and their Scope in Natural Language Text. In: *Proceedings of the Fourteenth Conference on Computational Natural Language Learning (CoNLL-2010): Shared Task*, Uppsala, Sweden, pp. 1-12.

Vincze, Veronika; Szauter, Dóra; Almási, Attila; Móra, György; Alexin, Zoltán; Csirik, János 2010. Hungarian Dependency Treebank. In: *Proceedings of the Seventh Conference on International Language Resources and Evaluation (LREC'10)*, Valletta, Malta.

Vincze, Veronika; Szarvas, György; Farkas, Richárd; Móra, György; Csirik, János 2008. The BioScope Corpus: biomedical texts annotated for uncertainty, negation and their scopes. *BMC Bioinformatics* 9 (Suppl 11):S9 doi:10.1186/1471-2105-9-S11-S9.

## SELECTED CORPORA, DATASETS AND TOOLS

magyarlanc: a linguistic preprocessing toolkit for Hungarian

Szeged (Dependency) Treebank: Hungarian texts manually annotated for part-of-speech tags, dependency syntax, constituency syntax, named entities and light verb constructions

Hungarian WordNet

BioScope: biomedical texts annotated for uncertainty cues and their scope

CoNLL-2010 Shared Task Corpora: biomedical and Wikipedia texts annotated for uncertainty cues

Wiki50: Wikipedia texts annotated for named entities and multiword expressions

S-Gap: a screening method for filtering mild cognitive impairment on the basis of speech characteristics

## OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

2018 Presentation at *Girls' Day* organized by the Women in Science Association, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, for high school girls.

- 2017 Participation as an NLP expert in the *A tudomány hangjai* scientific radio programme of Kossuth Rádió.
- 2014- Participation in *Girls' Day* organized by the Institute of Informatics, University of Szeged, for high school girls.
- 2014 Participation as an NLP expert in the *Többet ésszel* scientific radio programme of Klubrádió.
- 2012- Presentation of NLP research carried out at the Human Language Technology Group, Szeged for university students, programmers and linguists at the NLP Meetup, Budapest (several times).
- 2011 Participation as an NLP expert in the *Mindentudás Egyeteme 2.0* (University of Omniscience) scientific TV programme series of the Hungarian National Television.
- 2008-2010 Participation in the activities of the Hungarian Speech and Language Technology Platform (aiming at presenting results of the Hungarian NLP community to the public).
- 2008 Presentation of NLP research carried out at the Human Language Technology Group, Szeged for university students at the *Scientific Lectures Series* organized by the Móra Ferenc Student Hostel, Szeged, Hungary.

## COMPUTER SKILLS

Windows

Linux

Microsoft Office

LaTeX

Java

HTML

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

Hungarian: mother tongue

English: fluent

French: fluent

German: good

Portuguese: basic

Italian: basic

Spanish: basic

Latin: basic

Chinese: beginner