

## **The role of local and global syntactic structure in monolingual and cross-linguistic priming**

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A key question in sentence production research is what information the formulator makes reference to when choosing between two alternative structures. Does it only attend to the elements which are part of the structure itself (local account), or does it attend to the properties of the entire sentence within which the structure is contained (global account: Branigan et al, 2006)? Further, does this process work similarly within one language as it does across the two languages of a bilingual? In this talk, I report three studies of within- and across-language priming with German native speakers and German-English bilinguals. Results indicate that formulation is not only affected by properties of the elements within the structure itself, but also by the global structural context, in both within- and across-language processing.