

CONSTRUCTING FUTURITY: A CONTRASTIVE APPROACH TO L1 AND L2 DUTCH AND FRENCH



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1. Context – relevance of future for cognition

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| Conceptual relevance <i>TIME</i> | Grammatical <i>TENSE</i> unexplored |
| 1. Cognition: projecting/planning
the future is human capacity
(Schacter & Addis 2007, Ferretti &
Cosentino 2011, Klein 2013,
Georgakopoulou 2001) | 4. Typology: future(less)
languages
(Dahl 2000, Dahl & Vellupillai 2013) |
| 2. Function: future orientation of
social action
(Martin & Wodak 2003, Bell & Olick
1989, Scollon & Scollon 2000) | 5. DA: ideological features
(Dunmire 2011: 193) |
| 3. Semantics of future time is as
complex as present/past
time, modality and aspect
(Dahl 2000, Fleischman 1982: 22, 153,
Bybee et al. 1991, De Brabanter et al
2014) | 6. CL: diachronic development
in ENG/GER
(Fleischman 1982, Hilpert 2008) |
| | 7. Romance languages and NL:
future mainly taught as
morphological marking
(inflectional or periphrastic) |

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2. Objectives: Unravel semantics of futurity

2.1 General objective: L2 FUT CxG

how improve use L2 language patterns of futurity
based on corpus analysis of L2 and L1 authentic language use
zooming in on constructional aspects
using a conceptual template for the future



2.2 Specific objectives

analyze constructions
which Dutch/French L2 cx for future talk?
what relation between L2 and L1 Cx and vice versa?
teach constructions better / differently
guidelines improvement of L2 Cx teaching

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3. Corpus *Future talk*

previous work (Sambre)
on written L1 Italian corpora
on elicited spoken Italian L1 and L2

Today: exploratory study on **elicited spoken NL and FR**

sample: Belgian BA2 students
10 interviews: 5 students * 2 NL-L2 and **FR-L1** (Liège)
10 interviews: 5 students * 2 FR-L2 and **NL-L1** (Leuven)



video recordings with face-to-face questions
about 10' per interview/language
20 open **questions about** future
different conceptual entities for FUTURE: V, N, Adj, Adv-satellite
answers: transcription and breakdown of
turns > intonation units > clauses > subclauses

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3. Corpus Future talk

Q_N	Sentence_ENG
1	What profession would you like to exert later? Explain.
2	In what sector of the job market will you certainly have worked at the end of your career?
3	Will it be hard for you to find work after your studies? Explain.
4	Is the future going to bring you work that does not well connect up to your studies? Explain.
5	What would you expect from your job in 10 years?
6	In reality will you earn a lot a month at the start? Explain?
7	What would you give up for your job or not?
8	Are you uncertain to enter the job market in the short run?
9	If your employer would offer you a job abroad after 5 years, would you like the idea? Explain
10	Does your remote future look little attractive or not? Explain?
11	How rosy does your future look like in general?
12	What should your professional future not bring you in 5 years?
13	What could your professional future bring you ideally in 5 years?
14	Which tendencies in the future job market do frighten you?
15	In what job profile wouldn't you recognize yourself at all?
16	Will you be able to negotiate full benefits in your following job?
17	Which of your weaknesses would you like to improve the next years?
18	Will you meet some problems or obstacles in your job search ahead?
19	How are you preparing yourself in a positive way for the future?
20	How will you be able to convince your employers of your strengths?

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3. Corpus Future talk

Q_N	Sentence_ENG	verb	tense	tense_distance	modality	N	Adj	satellite_t1evalu
1	What profession would you like to exert later? Explain.	y	cond	neutral	potentialis	n	n	y y
2	In what sector of the job market will you certainly have worked at the end of your career?	y	fut	remote	realis	n	n	y y
3	Will it be hard for you to find work after your studies? Explain.	y	fut	close	realis	n	n	y y
4	Is the future going to bring you work that does not well connect up to your studies? Explain.	y	fut	close	realis	y	n	n y
5	What would you expect from your job in 10 years?	y	cond	remote	potentialis	n	n	y y
6	In reality will you earn a lot a month at the start? Explain?	y	fut	close	realis	n	n	y y
7	What would you give up for your job or not?	y	cond	neutral	potentialis	n	n	y
8	Are you uncertain to enter the job market in the short run?	y	pres	close	realis	n	n	y y
9	If your employer would offer you a job abroad after 5 years, would you like the idea? Explain	y	cond	remote	potentialis	n	n	y y
10	Does your remote future look little attractive or not? Explain?	y	pres	remote	realis	y	n	n n
11	How rosy does your future look like in general?	y	fut	neutral	realis	y	n	n y
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18	Will you meet some problems or obstacles in your job search ahead?	y	fut	neutral	realis	n	y	y y
19	How are you preparing yourself in a positive way for the future?	y	pres	neutral	realis	y	n	n y
20	How will you be able to convince your employers of your strengths?	y	fut	neutral	realis	n	n	y

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3. Corpus *Future talk*

85% of FUT
balanced for NL-FR

CALP3	y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Respondent	(Multiple Items)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
A_FUT	(All)	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Count of Intonation Unit	L_recording	<input type="button" value="▼"/>		
L1_student	<input type="button" value="▼"/>	FR	NL	Grand Total
FR		701	603	1304
NL		469	479	948
Grand Total		1170	1082	2252
CALP3	y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Respondent	(Multiple Items)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
A_FUT	y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Count of Intonation Unit	L_recording	<input type="button" value="▼"/>		
L1_student	<input type="button" value="▼"/>	FR	NL	Grand Total
FR		630	519	1149
NL		359	405	764
Grand Total		989	924	1913
CALP3	y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Respondent	(Multiple Items)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
A_FUT	y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Count of Intonation Unit	L_recording	<input type="button" value="▼"/>		
L1_student	<input type="button" value="▼"/>	FR	NL	Grand Total
FR		55%	45%	100%
NL		47%	53%	100%
Grand Total		52%	48%	100%

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2. Objectives
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4. Framework:
conceptual epistemic CG model
structural variation
5. Descriptive typology
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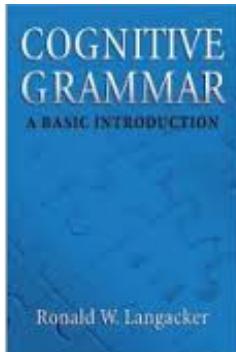
4. Framework: form-meaning pairings

4.1 Meaning: Epistemic time model

4.2 Form: Structural variation in epistemic model

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4.1 Meaning: epistemic time model

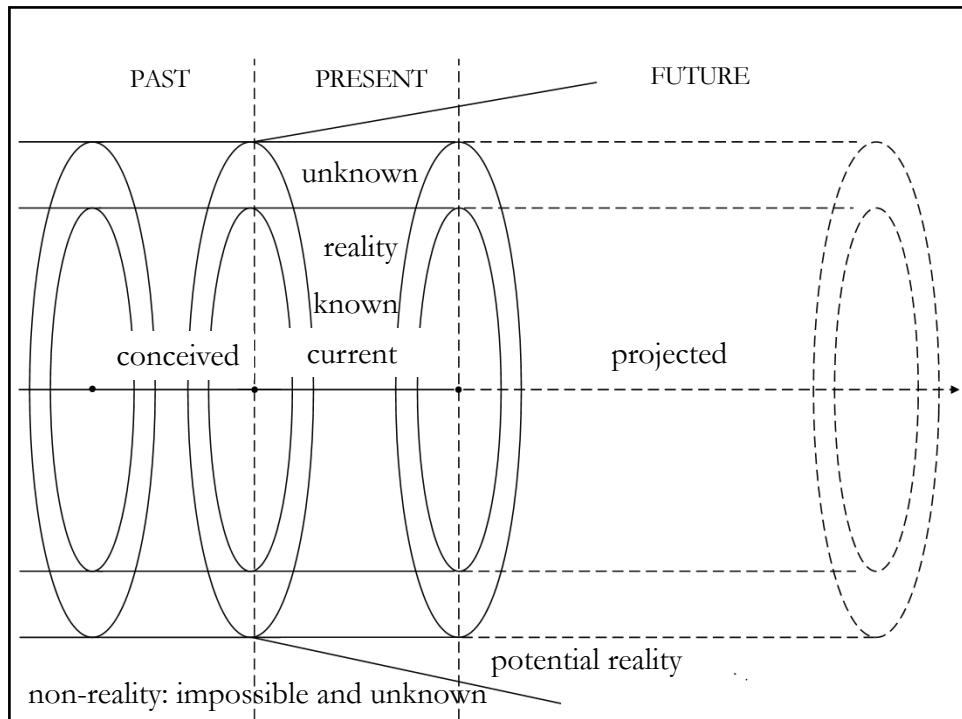


Metaphorically, we can picture reality as a “growing” cylinder, labeled **current** reality, it is the place where growth is occurring. Here matters are still in flux, whereas the **past** is fixed and the **future** is free to take whatever form it might.
(Langacker 2008: 301)

CxG:
connect conceptual apparatus
with flexible
structural patterns:



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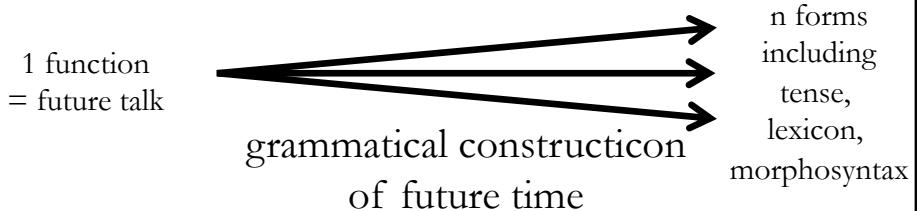


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4 from conceptual meaning to form in L2-CxG: towards operational analytical features

- (i) **Meaning is functional**, it integrates structural and semantic properties.
- (ii) **Constructions** (rather than ‘rules’) are the primary objects of description.
- (iii) **Constructions are form-meaning pairings** (‘assemblies of symbolic structures’).
- (iv) **Lexicon and grammar** are not distinct components, but form a **continuum** of constructions.
- (v) Linguistic knowledge comprises vast numbers of constructions, a large proportion of which are **‘idiosyncratic’** in relation to ‘normal’, productive patterns.
- (vi) Little attention devoted to **structural variation** in the description of tense
- (vii) Limited attention to **discourse** in constructions

Sambre (2010: 3-4) following Langacker 2005, Lakoff 1987, Fillmore, Kay, O’Connor 1984; Harder 1996: 499)



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4.2 Form: structural variation within 3D model

4.2.1 Epistemic aspects

Time (pres, fut, cond)

Modality (real, pot, irr)
close / neutral / remote

Ben je onzeker om de arbeidsmarkt binnenkort te betreden of niet? Leg uit.

Are you uncertain to enter the job market *in the short run?*

4.2.2 Morphosyntax

V

N (the future)

Adj (future)

Adv

Comment pourras-tu convaincre tes employeurs de tes atouts? Explique.

How will you be able to convince your employers of your strengths?

4.2.3 Evaluation

neutral

pos

neg

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5. An exploratory classification of FUTURE Cx

- 5.1 Time
 - 5.2 Modality
- Three steps
- a. Global
 - b. L1<>L2
 - c. FR/NL-L2<>NL/FR-L1

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5.1 FUTURE Cx - TIME

5.1.1 F time

5.1.2 V tenses

5.1.3 FUT subtypes

5.1.4 Tense combinations

5.1.4 FUT N, Adj, Adv

- Future tense relevant

But

- present much more salient
- Conditional part of future time
- NEW: Infinitive part of future

CALP3	y			
Respondent	(Multiple Items)			
A_FUT	y			
A_verb	y			
A_tense_pres	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FR	NL	Grand Total
y		668	603	1271
A_tense_fut	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FR	NL	Grand Total
y		115	117	232
A_tense_cond	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FR	NL	Grand Total
y		79	58	137
A_tense_inf	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FR	NL	Grand Total
y		207	214	421

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5.1.4 FUT N, Adj, Adv

- Future tense relevant

- *At first sight* balance periphrastic (GO) – inflectional (je vais travailler – ik ga werken)
je travaillera / ik zal werken)
- Cause: overuse of L1 Cx in L2
- NL2: inflectional
- FR2: periphrastic

CALP3	y						
Respondent	(Multiple Items)						
A_FUT	y						
A_verb	y						
A_tense_fut	y						
Count of Intonation Unit	L_recording	=FR	L1orL2_recording	=FR Total	=NL	NL Total	Grand Total
A_tense_future_simple	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	L1	L2	61,2%	31,3%	48,7%	31,1% 83,3% 55,7% 52,2%
y							
A_tense_future_go	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	L1	L2	26,9%	68,8%	44,3%	55,7% 16,7% 37,4% 40,9%
y							
A_tense_future_compour	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	L1	L2	11,9%	0,0%	7,0%	13,1% 0,0% 7,0% 7,0%
y							

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- Traditional teaching: FUT tense in isolation P000 = I will work
- We see frequent combinations
 - P00I = pres + Inf
I hope (now) to work (then)
 - PF00 = present + fut
I think that I will become x

A_verb	A_tense_combination_PFCI	L_recordin		L1orL2_rec		FR Total	NL	NL Total	Grand Total
		L1	L2	FR	NL				
n	(blank)	85	57	142	59	84	143	285	
Total		85	57	142	59	84	143	285	
y	P000	309	147	456	172	238	410	866	
	P00I	87	59	146	61	74	135	281	
	OF00	46	30	76	35	20	55	131	
	PF00	18	22	40	15	25	40	80	
	000I	24	5	29	26	25	51	80	
	00C0	14	4	18	16	22	38	56	
	00CI	15	23	38	9	4	13	51	
	Past	14	4	18		11	11	29	
	POCO	8	7	15		6	6	21	
	PFOI	3		3	4	6	10	13	
	OF0I	2		2	8	2	10	12	
	POCI	4	1	5		1	1	6	
	OF0C	1		1		1	1	2	
Total		545	302	847	346	435	781	1628	
Grand Total		630	359	989	405	519	924	1913	

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- Combinations of tenses mentioned before more productive than
- Combinations of basic tense with non-verbal FUT marks
- To be explored...

CALP3	y	✓			
Respondent	(Multiple Items)	✓			
A_FUT	y	✓			
<hr/>					
Count of Intonation Unit	L_recordin	L1orL2_recording	L1	L2	Grand To
A_N	L_recordin	L1orL2_recording	L1	L2	Grand To
Total					
y	FR			0,5%	1,1% 0,8%
	NL			0,7%	0,6% 0,6%
Total				1,2%	1,7% 1,4%
Count of Intonation Unit	L_recordin	L1orL2_recording	L1	L2	Grand To
A_Adj	L_recordin	L1orL2_recording	L1	L2	Grand To
Total					
y	FR			0,3%	0,0% 0,2%
	NL			0,1%	0,5% 0,3%
Total				0,4%	0,5% 0,4%
Count of Intonation Unit	L_recordin	L1orL2_recording	L1	L2	Grand To
A_Adv	L_recordin	L1orL2_recording	L1	L2	Grand To
Total					
y	FR			0,29%	0,57% 0,42%
	NL			2,80%	0,00% 1,52%
Total				3,09%	0,57% 1,93%

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5.1 FUTURE Cx - TIME

What have we learned?

1. Future time is more than future tense
2. L2 overcompensates for NL1 periphrastic and FR1 inflectional
3. Combinations PRES+FUT PRES+INF interesting L2 pathway

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5. An exploratory classification of FUTURE Cx

5.1 Time

5.2 Modality

Three steps

- a. Global
- b. L1<>L2
- c. FR/NL-L2<>NL/FR-L1

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5.2 FUTURE Cx - MODALITY

5.2.1 epistemic

5.2.2 dynamic

5.2.3 deontic

5.2.4 combinations

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5.2 FUTURE Cx - MODALITY

5.2.1 epistemic

- **realis**
- **potentialis**
- **irrealis**

5.2.2 dynamic

5.2.3 deontic

5.2.4 combinations

Then I work / I'll work
I could work
I cannot imagine to do...

I hope to work
I think people work

I should change attitude

I would like to work
I should like to think I work as...

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Starting point:

Future time implies other modalities than realis

- What will be possible (potentialis)
- Future talk requires expressing ignorance, i.e. irrealis of present (e.g. don't know, can't tell you)
- Epistemics is where most grammars stop, and yet...

CALP3	y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>									
Respondent	(Multiple Items)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>									
A_FUT	y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>									
A_elliptic	n	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>									
Count of Inton			L_recording	L1orL2_record							
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FR		FR Total	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NL		NL Total	Grand Total		
A_modality	A_mod_epistemic	A_mod_realis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> L1	L2		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> L1	L2				
↪y	↪y	y		81%	65%	75%	86%	77%	81%	78%	
A_modality	A_mod_epistemic	A_mod_potentialis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> L1	L2		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> L1	L2				
↪y	↪y	y		16%	16%	16%	11%	19%	15%	16%	
A_modality	A_mod_epistemic	A_mod_irrealis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> L1	L2		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> L1	L2				
↪v	↪v	v		4%	20%	10%	5%	5%	5%	8%	

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5.2.2 dynamic

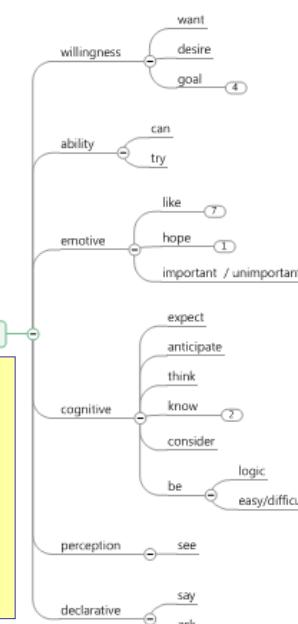
5.2.3 deontic

5.2.4 combinations

Epistemics is where most grammars stop, and yet...

Massive presence of dynamic modality in the corpus

e.g. I hope (PRES) to work (FUT) as
e.g. I think (PRES) that I will work (FUT)



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5.2 FUTURE Cx - MODALITY

5.2.1 epistemic

5.2.2 dynamic

CALP3 y independent of language:
Respondent (Multiple Items) compensation strategy?
A_FUT y
A elliptic n

At first sight dynamic modality seems due more to FR1 than to NL1
But in fact is due to L2,
independent of language:
compensation strategy?

CALP3	y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						
Respondent	(Multiple Items)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						
A_FUT	y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						
A_elliptic	n	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						

Count of Intonation Unit		L1orL2_recording		L_recording			
A_modality	A_mod_dynamic	L1		L2		Grand Total	
		FR	NL	FR	NL		
y	y		41,65%		21,39%		41,09%
	n		58,35%		78,61%		58,91%
y Total		100,00%		100,00%		100,00%	
Grand Total		100,00%		100,00%		100,00%	

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5.2 FUTURE Cx - MODALITY

5.2.1 epistemic

5.2.2 dynamic subtypes

5.2.3 deontic

5.2.4 combinations

Semantics of dynamics depends on lexical subtypes in present such as

- Cognitive (I think that V FUT)
 - Emotive (I hope that V FUT)
 - Willingness (I want to INF FUT)

+ subordinate clause for FUT

$C_x \equiv$ syntax \pm lexicon \pm morphology

	L_recording	L1orL2_recording	FR Total	NL Total	NL Total		Grand Total			
					L1	L2				
A_modality_dynamic_willingness	☒ FR	L1	30	22	52	2	49	51	103	15 %
A_modality_dynamic_ability	☒ FR	L1	17	3	20	3	29	32	52	8 %
A_modality_dynamic_emotive	☒ FR	L1	51	46	97	20	62	82	179	27 %
A_modality_dynamic_cognitive	☒ FR	L1	118	75	193	46	92	138	331	49 %
A_modality_dynamic_perception	☒ FR	L1	12	2	14	2	15	17	31	5 %
A_modality_dynamic_declarative	☒ FR	L1	25	25	8	8	33			5 %

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5.2 FUTURE Cx - MODALITY

5.2.1 epistemic

Necessity, obligation
Rather unfrequent, but...

5.2.2 dynamic

5.2.3 deontic

5.2.4 combinations

5.2.5 modalities and time

CALP3	y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>									
Respondent	(Multiple Items)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>									
A_FUT	y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>									
A_elliptic	n	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>									
Count of Intonation Unit	L_recording	<input type="checkbox"/> L1orL2_recording	<input type="checkbox"/> FR								
				FR Total	<input type="checkbox"/> NL						
A_modality	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A_mod_deontic	<input type="checkbox"/> L1	<input type="checkbox"/> L2		L1	<input type="checkbox"/> L2					Grand Total
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> y	y		5%	3%	4%	7%	4%	5%	5%		5%
	n		95%	97%	96%	93%	96%	95%	95%		95%
y Total			100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%		100%
Grand Total			100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%		100%

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5.2 FUTURE Cx - MODALITY

5.2.1 epistemic

Three modalities do not only appear in isolation, but may be combined (45%)

5.2.2 dynamic

Cx = (syntax +) lexicon + morphology

5.2.3 deontic

e.g. j'aimerais faire qqch avec l'italien

5.2.4 combinations

e.g. I would like to do sth with Italian

Vconditional =epist potential *like* =dyn)

+ INF Pres for FUT)

CALP3	y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>									
Respondent	(Multiple Items)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>									
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A_elliptic	n	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>									
Count of Intonation Unit	L_recording	<input type="checkbox"/> L1orL2_recording	<input type="checkbox"/> FR								
				FR Total	<input type="checkbox"/> NL						
A_modality	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A_modality_combination	<input type="checkbox"/> L1	<input type="checkbox"/> L2		L1	<input type="checkbox"/> L2					Grand Total
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> y	epistemic		53%	48%	51%	75%	46%	59%	55%		55%
	epistemic+dynamic		42%	49%	45%	18%	50%	36%	40%		40%
	epistemic+deontic		4%	3%	4%	5%	3%	3%	4%		4%
	epistemic+dynamic+deontic		0%	0%	0%	2%	2%	2%	1%		1%
y Total			100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%		100%
Grand Total			100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%		100%

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5.2 FUTURE Cx - MODALITY

5.2.4 combinations

a. FUT in ARG subclause

VALENCY

= [V PRES dynamic + ARG subclause FUT [to/that]]

I hope that I will find a nice job

I hope to be a good teacher

b. FUT in main clause + ADJUNCT PRES subclause

V FUT + ADJUNCT PRES subclause (conditional, causal, ...) [FUT (goal)]

I will do an ERASMUS stay, since it is in line with my current studies [in order to become an interpreter]

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5.2 FUTURE Cx - MODALITY

5.2.4 combinations

a. FUT in ARG subclause

b. FUT in main clause + ADJUNCT PRES
subclause Subclauses in samples are distr.

Subclauses in samples are distributed evenly for a. and b.

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6. Conclusions: FUTURE Cx = TIME + MODALITY

6.1 Time

1. Future time is more than future tense
2. L2 overcompensates for NL1 periphrastic and FR1 inflectional
3. Combinations PRES+FUT PRES+INF: interesting L2 pathway

6.2 Modality: single and combined

1. Teaching FUT implies teaching epistemic modality:
 1. Potential
 2. Irrealis for expressing ignorance
2. !! Integrate dynamic modality teaching Cx for FUT
 1. In valency and in adjuncts
 2. i.e. VALENCY
 - [V PRES dynamic + ARG subclause FUT [to/that]]
 - + ADJUNCT
 - [PRES subclause (conditional, causal, ...) [FUT (goal)]

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