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*Areas of Expertise* Ancient Philosophy (esp. Aristotle and the Stoics),  
Ancient Grammar (esp. Apollonius Dyscolus and Priscian)  
*Areas of Competence* Philosophy of Language, Logic, Greek and Latin Literatures

Born in Mountain View, CA (USA)  
Swiss & US citizen

## Employment

2009– Postdoctoral Scholar  
Department of Classics, UCLA

Autumn 2008 Visiting Lecturer  
School of Philosophy, University of East Anglia

2007–2008 Postdoctoral Researcher SNSF  
Department of Philosophy, University of Geneva

2000–2006 *Assistant* in Ancient Philosophy (on leave in 2004–2005)  
Department of Philosophy, University of Geneva

## Education

19 May 2007 *Doctorat* in Ancient Philosophy, adviser Jonathan Barnes  
Diss. Title: 'Apollonius Dyscolus: *De pronomine pars generalis*'  
Jury: Alain de Libera (President; Geneva); David Blank (UCLA),  
Michael Frede (Oxford), Jean Lallot (ENS Paris)  
*Mention très honorable avec les félicitations du jury à l'unanimité*  
*Prix Charles Bally de l'Université de Genève*  
University of Geneva

ABSTRACT: Apollonius' monograph on pronouns is the first grammatical treatise in Greek to have survived from antiquity. More than a hundred pages long, closely argued and densely written, it features extensive discussions of such seminal notions as anaphora, deixis, person, etc. For my dissertation I have edited, translated, introduced, and commented on the *pars generalis*

(the first half) of Apollonius' treatise. The edition lays a new foundation for Apollonian studies: the first editor since 1811 to have read the manuscript, I offer a better—and sometimes radically different—text; and in an appendix, I provide a full apparatus criticus, with all variant readings and corrections ever proposed. The translation and extensive commentary are the first to appear in English. The introduction investigates the life and works of the *princeps grammaticorum*, expounds his theory of language, reconstructs the history of the text, and outlines the principles of this new edition.

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| Michaelmas 2006 | Visiting Student, adviser David Sedley<br>University of Cambridge  |
| 2004–2005       | Recognised Student, adviser Michael Frede<br>University of Oxford  |
| 1999–2000       | Visiting Student, adviser Irene Heim<br>Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA                               |
| Spring 1999     | <i>Pensionnaire étranger</i> , adviser Jean Lallot<br>École normale supérieure, Paris                                      |
| February 1999   | <i>Licence</i> in Philosophy, Ancient Greek, Latin, Archaeology,<br>History of Art, and Musicology<br>University of Geneva |

## Publications

### Book

In preparation. *Apollonius Dyscolus: On the Pronoun*. Edited, with Introduction, Translation, and Commentary

ABSTRACT: See Dissertation Abstract above.

### Articles

2011. 'The Ancient Notion of Anaphora', in A. Wouters, et al., edd., *Ancient Grammar and Its Posterior Tradition, Orbis Supplementa* 36, Leuven: Peeters

Conference proceedings.

ABSTRACT: In the last fifty years or so, hundreds of books and thousands of articles have been dedicated to the notion of anaphora. Yet virtually no work has been done on its early history. This paper situates the ancient discussions of anaphora in their proper context, and expounds and briefly assesses certain key concepts that have been overlooked so far.

2010. 'The Birth of Grammar in Greece', in E. J. Bakker, ed., *A Companion to the Ancient Greek Language*, Oxford: Blackwell, pp. 499–511

By invitation; URI: <http://schmidhauser.us/2010-birth.pdf>

ABSTRACT: An overview of the beginnings of linguistic science in antiquity.

2009. 'Le *De pronomine* de Priscien et son modèle grec', in M. Baratin, B. Colombat, and L. Holtz, edd., *Priscien*, Turnhout: Brepols, pp. 168–182

By invitation; URI: <http://schmidhauser.us/2009-priscien.pdf>

**ABSTRACT:** Priscian's *Ars* is generally considered the apogee of Latin grammar. Yet he himself claims to have followed in every respect the authority of Apollonius Dyscolus (*Ars* 13.24.7; al.). For a proper assessment of Priscian's place in the history of linguistic thought, it is thus indispensable to clarify the relation between his and Apollonius' oeuvre. Focusing on books 12 and 13, I first present a list of all Apollonian passages translated or paraphrased by Priscian, and discuss one of these in more detail (*Ars* 13.15.9–28). I then analyze the order of Priscian's exposition, and compare it with the structure of his Greek model. Finally I give two examples—the notions of figure and of reflexivity—to illustrate how, and why, their theories differ from one another. Thence I conclude that the currently fashionable view of Priscian as a foundational thinker, almost entirely detached from the Greek tradition, is mistaken, and that, on the contrary, he can only be understood against the backdrop of Apollonian grammar.

2008. 'Κόμανος', *The Classical Quarterly* 58, pp. 331–334

Peer-reviewed journal article; URI: <http://schmidhauser.us/2008-comanus.pdf>

**ABSTRACT:** Scholars spell and accentuate Comanus' name in a variety of ways. I show, first, that direct witnesses leave no doubt that the correct spelling is ΚΟΜΑΝΟC; and, secondly, that according to Herodian—the ancient authority on orthoepy—the word should be pronounced as proparoxytone. The latter argument is based on a new reading of the palimpsest Vindob. Hist. gr. 10.

2005. 'Selbstverweise bei Apollonios Dyskolos', in T. Fögen, ed., *Antike Fachtexte*, Berlin: de Gruyter, pp. 137–153

Peer-reviewed conference proceedings; preprint URI: <http://schmidhauser.us/2005-selbstverweise.pdf>

**ABSTRACT:** I show that external cross-references within Apollonius Dyscolus' oeuvre allow us to establish a relative chronology of his works. In the case of the four extant treatises, the resulting order—contrary to the communis opinio—is as follows: *On the Pronoun* antedates *On Connectives*, which antedates *On Adverbs*, which antedates *On Syntax*.

Forthcoming. 'The Origins of Anaphora', in: *Language & History*

Peer-reviewed. (This paper was awarded *The Vivien Law Prize for an Essay on Language and History*.)

**ABSTRACT:** Anaphora is a central topic in the study of natural language and as such the object of research in a wide range of disciplines. Yet virtually no work has been done on the early history of the notion. This paper will situate the ancient discussions of anaphora in their proper context, and expound and briefly assess certain key concepts that have been overlooked so far.

Under review. 'Ancient Linguistic Science and Textual Criticism: The Possessive Pronoun ὄc in Homer'

Under review.

**ABSTRACT:** In epic poetry, the third-person primitive pronoun οὖ (οἱ, ἔ) is said to be either reflexive ('himself') or anaphoric ('him'). The possessive pronoun ὄc/έόc, by contrast, is said to be only reflexive. Linguistically speaking, this lack of parallelism is unexpected, for the possessive ὄc is derived from the primitive οὖ. Furthermore, according to Apollonius Dyscolus, ὄc does in fact present the same ambiguity as οὖ. I shall examine in some detail one of the passages he adduces—*Iliad* 3.244—as well as his claim that although all or most manuscripts show the reading ἐῆι, Aristarchus had adopted Dicaearchus' reading φίληι because he considered the possessive to be always reflexive. I next show that out of the two hundred occurrences of the possessive in the *Iliad* and the *Odyssey* a dozen are indeed anaphoric. Thence I conclude that Apollonius was right—the possessive ὄc presents the same ambiguity between reflexive and anaphoric as its primitive sibling οὖ.

In preparation. 'Stoic Anaphora: A Source Analysis of *FDS* 551'

**ABSTRACT:** Anaphora is, roughly speaking, the phenomenon whereby one expression depends for its meaning on another expression—in 'If Hector hasn't come back yet, he won't come back', for instance, 'he' refers to whom 'Hector' refers; in 'If Priam hasn't come back yet, he won't come back', the same 'he' refers to whom 'Priam' refers. It was the Stoics who first noticed this important fact about language: their appellation ἀναφορά is indeed the direct ancestor to the current technical term. Or so, at any rate, the Common Opinion. Unbeknownst to most, though, it appears, the basis for this story consists in a single fragment, viz. *FDS* 551 i.e. Σ<sup>1</sup> Ps.-Dion. Thr. 518.33–519.25. I shall analyse this text, place it into its proper context, give an account of its sources, and show why it is impossible to deduce from it the existence of a Stoic notion of anaphora.

## In preparation. ‘Stoic Deixis’

(This is a revised version of a paper for which, in 2006, I received a Graduate Student Award from The Aristotelian Society and The Mind Association.)

**ABSTRACT:** If one trusts the scholarly consensus, Chrysippus’ definite articles—our personal and demonstrative pronouns—are either deictic or anaphoric: in I walk, the definite article I deictically signifies me; in If Dio walks, he walks, the definite article he anaphorically signifies Dio. This view is flawed: I show that we have no reason to ascribe the notion of anaphora to Chrysippus. For (i) the technical terms ἀναφορά, ἀναφέρειν, etc. are not found in what remains of his writings; (ii) no other terms are used in their stead; and (iii) Chrysippus’ logic does not presuppose the notion. In Chrysippus’ eyes, then, all definite articles are deictic.

## Reviews

In preparation. Review of M. Baratin, et al.: *Priscien. Grammaire Livre xvii – Syntaxe 1*, in: *Classical Review*

2010. Review of O. Jungen and H. Lohnstein: *Geschichte der Grammatiktheorie. Von Dionysios Thrax bis Noam Chomsky*, in: *Historiographia Linguistica* 37, pp. 200–206

URI: <http://schmidhauser.us/2010-rev.jungen.pdf>

2008. Review of J.-B. Gourinat, *Le stoïcisme*, in: *Bryn Mawr Classical Review* 2008-08-48

URI: <http://schmidhauser.us/2008-rev.gourinat.pdf>

2007. Review of P. Brandenburg, *Apollonios Dyskolos. Über das Pronomen*, in: *The Classical Review* 57, pp. 82–83

URI: <http://schmidhauser.us/2007-rev.brandenburg.pdf>

## Bibliographies

2001–11. *A Complete Bibliography on Apollonius Dyscolus*

URI: <http://schmidhauser.us/apollonius/bibliography>

**ABSTRACT:** This is the first full bibliography on Apollonius. Many entries have links to online texts, whether on my website or on a repository such as JSTOR.

2010–11. *A Bibliography on Parisinus graecus 2548*

URI: <http://schmidhauser.us/apollonius/mss/paris-2548>

**ABSTRACT:** Paris. gr. 2548, a parchment of the early tenth or late ninth century, is one of the most important manuscripts in ancient grammar—it is our best witness for Apollonius’ *Syntax*, and our sole witness for his treatises on pronouns, adverbs, and connectives.

2007. ‘Εργογραφία Michael Frede’, *Deucalion* 25, pp. 193–200

Postprint (2011) URI: <http://schmidhauser.us/2007-bib.frede.pdf>

**ABSTRACT:** Michael Frede died in 2007. The above is a bibliography of his writings.

## Teaching

Spring Term 2012

UCLA

Greek Philosophy

URI: <http://schmidhauser.us/courses/12-world>

Spring Term 2010

UCLA

Aristotle’s *Metaphysics*

URI: <http://schmidhauser.us/courses/10-metaphysica>

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| Autumn Term 2008<br>U of East Anglia | Time, Space, and Reality among the Greeks<br>URI: <a href="http://schmidhauser.us/courses/o8-reality">http://schmidhauser.us/courses/o8-reality</a>             |
| Autumn Term 2008<br>U of East Anglia | Aristotle's <i>Categories</i><br>URI: <a href="http://schmidhauser.us/courses/o8-categories">http://schmidhauser.us/courses/o8-categories</a>                   |
| Autumn Term 2008<br>U of East Anglia | Greek for Philosophers—Epictetus' <i>Handbook</i><br>URI: <a href="http://schmidhauser.us/courses/o8-epictetus">http://schmidhauser.us/courses/o8-epictetus</a> |
| Spring Term 2008<br>U of Geneva      | Stoic Dialectic<br>URI: <a href="http://schmidhauser.us/courses/o8-stoa">http://schmidhauser.us/courses/o8-stoa</a>   |
| Spring Term 2006<br>U of Geneva      | Aristotle's <i>Analytica</i><br>URI: <a href="http://schmidhauser.us/courses/o6-analytica">http://schmidhauser.us/courses/o6-analytica</a>                      |
| Spring Term 2004<br>U of Geneva      | Apollonius Dyscolus<br>Seminar  |
| Autumn Term 2001<br>U of Geneva      | Plato's <i>Phaedo</i><br>Seminar  |
| Spring Term 2001<br>U of Geneva      | Plato's <i>Theaetetus</i><br>Seminar  |

## Fellowships

*Vivien Law Prize for an Essay on the History of Linguistic Ideas*, *Prix Charles Bally de l'Université de Genève*, Fellowship for Advanced Researcher (Swiss National Science Foundation), Fellowship for Prospective Researcher (Swiss National Science Foundation), *Bourse d'accueil* (École normale supérieure), Scholarship of the Swiss Government

Travel grants from the Swiss National Science Foundation, The Mind Association, the Société Académique de Genève, the Department of Philosophy at the University of Geneva, and the Swiss Academy of Humanities and Social Sciences

## Select Presentations

- December 2008. 'Dicaearchus fr. 91 Wehrli'  
International Conference on Ancient Scholarship and Grammar, University of Thessaloniki [by invitation]
- November 2008. 'Stoic Grammar'  
Leeds Classics Research Seminar. University of Leeds [by invitation]
- August 2008. Organisation of the workshop 'The Notion of Person in Greek Grammar'  
International Conference on the History of the Language Sciences XI, University of Potsdam [peer reviewed]
- July 2007. 'Substance in Apollonius Dyscolus'

- Joint Session of the Henry Sweet Society and the Studienkreis Geschichte der Sprachwissenschaft, University of Helsinki [peer reviewed]
- January 2007. 'Stoic Deixis'  
Society for Ancient Greek Philosophy & Annual Meeting of the American Philological Association, San Diego, CA [peer reviewed]
- January 2007. 'The Definition of Pronouns according to Apollonius Dyscolus'  
North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences & Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Association of America, Anaheim, CA [peer reviewed]
- November 2006. 'Posidonius on Connectives'  
Greco-Roman Philosophy in the First Century BC  
University of Cambridge [by invitation]
- October 2006. 'Le *De pronomine* de Priscien et son modèle grec'  
*Priscien*, colloque co-organisé par l'UMR HTL (CNRS 7597 / Paris VII) et l'université de Paris VII, sous le patronage de la Société d'Histoire et d'Épistémologie du Langage, École normale supérieure, Lyon [by invitation]
- July 2006. 'Stoic Definite Articles'  
Joint Session of The Aristotelian Society and The Mind Association, University of Southampton [peer reviewed]  
(My paper was one of eight 'Graduate Papers' whose authors had all expenses paid by TAS and TMA.)
- June 2006. 'Aristarchus' Definition of Pronouns'  
Historiography of Linguistics in the 21st Century: Challenges and Perspectives, International Colloquium of the SGdS, Leiden University [peer reviewed]
- April 2005. 'The Semantics of Articles according to Apollonius Dyscolus'  
*Ancient Grammar*, Colloquium organised jointly by the Russian Academy of Sciences & the Seminarium Historiographiae Linguisticae of the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Saint-Petersburg [peer reviewed]
- March 2004. 'Selbstreferenz in Apollonios Dyskolos'  
International Colloquium of the Studienkreis für Geschichte der Sprachwissenschaft, Humboldt-Universität, Berlin [peer reviewed]
- November 2003. 'Le traité sur les adverbos d'Apollonius Dyscole'  
Participation in workshop on Apollonius' treatise on adverbs, organised by Jean Lallot, École normale supérieure, Paris [by invitation]
- August 2003. 'What is a pronoun?'  
Colloquium of the Henry Sweet Society, Trinity College, Dublin [peer reviewed]

## Languages

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| Swiss German  | Native speaker                        |
| English       | Fluent speaking, reading, and writing |
| French        | Fluent speaking, reading, and writing |
| German        | Fluent speaking, reading, and writing |
| Italian       | Proficient reading                    |
| Spanish       | Proficient reading                    |
| Ancient Greek | Excellent reading knowledge           |
| Latin         | Excellent reading knowledge           |

## Referees

1. Jonathan Barnes, École normale supérieure (jonathanbarnes@wanadoo.fr)
2. David L. Blank, UCLA (blank@ucla.edu)
3. David N. Sedley, University of Cambridge (dns1@cam.ac.uk)
4. Jean Lallot, École normale supérieure, Paris (jean.lallot@ens.fr)
5. Catherine J. Osborne, University of East Anglia (c.osborne@uea.ac.uk)
6. Alain de Libera, Université de Genève (alain.delibera@gmail.com)

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