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is pleased to present

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speaking on

Subjects of copular constructions

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Abstract:

Hebrew copular sentences look like root small clauses: “Daniela balshanit” (Daniela is a linguist’). I argue that they are not or rather, that they contain a (perhaps surprisingly) rich functional structure . The subject, Daniela, although initial in the string, can occupy distinct subject positions. I try to identify and chracterize these positions and propose a cartography of subject positions in copular sentences.