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Abbreviations

A, AP	adjective, adjectival phrase
AC	Adjunct Condition
ACC	accusative case
ACD	Antecedent Contained Deletion
ADV	Adverb
AE	Anaphoric Ellipsis
ART	Article
Asp, AspP	aspect, aspectual phrase
BA	marker of the <i>ba</i> construction (see Chapter 5)
BEI	passive marker <i>bei</i> (see Chapter 4)
BPA	Binding Principle A
C, CP	complementizer, complementizer phrase
CED	Condition on Extraction Domain
CFC	complete functional complex
CL	classifier
CNPC	Complex NP Constraint
CR	Conjunction Reduction
D, DP	determiner, determiner phrase
DAT	dative case
DC	Directionality Constraint
DE	pre-nominal modification marker or postverbal resultative marker <i>de</i>
DECL	declarative
DEM	demonstrative
DrP	Duration Phrase
DRT	Discourse Representation Theory
ECP	Empty Category Principle
Fn	functional element of degree <i>n</i>
FEC	free empty category
FI	Full Interpretation
FP	Frequency Phrase

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Abbreviations

GB	Government and Binding
GC	Governing Category
GCR	Generalized Control Rule
GUO	experiential aspect marker <i>guo</i>
H	head
HMC	Head Movement Constraint
IHRC	internally headed relative clause
I, IP	inflection, inflectional phrase
L, LP	localizer, localizer phrase
LBC	Left Branch Condition
LD	long-distance
LDR	long-distance reflexive
LE	perfective marker or sentence-final particle
LF	Logical Form
LRS	lexical relational structure
LSS	lexico-semantic structure
Lv	light verb
MDP	Minimal Distance Principle
Mod	Modifier
MP	Minimalist Program
N, NP	noun, noun phrase
NOM	nominative case
NOP	null operator
Num, NumP	numeral, number phrase
OP	operator
P, PP	preposition/postposition, prep/postpositional phrase
PASS	passive morpheme
PAST	past tense
P&P	Principles and Parameters
PF	Phonetic Form
PL	plural
PLA	Principle of Lexical Association
PLI	Principle of Lexical Integrity
POV	Point-of-View Phrase
PRES	present tense
PRO/pro	empty pronominal element
PROG	progressive
QNP	quantificational NP
Q	question particle
QR	Quantifier Raising

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Qu	question operator
QVE	quantificational variability effect
RNR	right-node raising
SC	Subject Condition, also for Superiority Condition
SFP	sentence-final particle
SourceP	Source Phrase
Spec	specifier
SUO	pronominal element <i>suo</i> marking object relativization or passivization
t	trace of moved element
T, TP	tense, tense phrase
TOP	topic
UG	Universal Grammar
UTAH	Uniformity of Theta Assignment Hypothesis
V, VP	verb, verb phrase
X ⁰	syntactic head of type X
XP	full syntactic phrase of type X
X'	intermediate syntactic phrase of type X
ZHE	durative aspect marker <i>zhe</i>