

I recommend publication after revisions.

List of abbreviations? OK, at the end. This should be signalled when the first abbreviation occurs.

The introduction and the conclusion are not crisp enough. It would be helpful to have a list of points along the lines of: Here are the main topics to be discussed – A,B,C,... all presented as briefly as possible. This list could be followed by a brief list of the important analytical results – highlighting how the analysis contributes to current thinking (agreeing or disagreeing) about adverbial clauses in spontaneous spoken language, and the important results relating to the organization of discourse and different moves in spontaneous spoken discourse. The conclusion should simply remind readers of the points covered in the body of the paper and bring out general properties, emphasizing the new ideas. Again, a list is a good format.

Clause vs sentence in spoken language. The reader needs more detail on the upcoming analysis and its results. At least, this reviewer doesn't know where the paper is heading nor what the significant pieces of analysis and results are going to be.

p.1 para 2 line 8

the combination of clauses to larger units → the combination of clauses into larger units

p.10

13 Concomittance → concomitance  
purley → purely

p.13 14 verbform → verb form

p.14 Last three paras in section 3.2 summing up the findings.

The paras are difficult to follow because there is no reference to or recall of the relevant examples: e.g 'as in (2b)...' or 'The conditional clause in (n) [quote the data] shows that...'.  
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Section 3.3

Line 1 with the function to link → that link

Para 2, lines 2-1

morphologically simple and complex markers → morphologically simple markers and morphologically complex markers

p.15 line 8 speakers → speaker

para1 line 2 I am not sure that → I am not sure whether

lines 5 – 6

an indefinite pronouns → an indefinite pronoun

p.16 line 12

Of all connectives, *ka* is → Of all the connectives, *ka* is

p.19 last two lines  
without correlative element → with no correlative element

p.24  
line 10  
as they have found to be → as they have been found to be

p.26 4<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> lines from foot  
very rarely a clause...precedes the main clause in the corpus MuLa. → in the corpus  
MuLa a clause ...very rarely precedes the main clause.

p.28 para 1 line 4  
swiping of greasy hands → wiping of greasy hands

p.30 penultimate line  
correlate to → correlate with

p.31 para below (33) lines 5-6  
a pair of two conditional constructions → a pair of constructions consisting of  
conditional clause and main clause

p.32 para 1 last line  
other than what we find in English and German → in contrast with English and  
German

p.36 para 4 line 6  
potential correlates to → potential correlates of