Does Chinese have grammar?

Western linguists’ view:

- When the eighteenth-century linguist James Burnett (Lord Monboddo) learned that Chinese did not distinguish word classes by form, he concluded that it was an “exceedingly defective” language.

- Wilhelmi von Humboldt, the German philologist and diplomat, classified all languages of the world as (1) “isolating”, (2) “agglutinating” and (3) “inflecting” based solely on word morphology.