HaomingLi

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

09/2022 - Ph.D. in Linguistics,

present Massachusetts Institute of Technology, United States,

GPA: 4.0

10/2018 - BA in Linguistics and Computer Science,

03/2022 University of Chicago, United States,

GPA: 3.97

thesis The Syntax and Semantics of Across-the-Board Wh-Questions in Chinese

supervisor Karlos Arregi

Journal articles

2023 Moving heads to specifier: Evidence from Mandarin multiple pre-subject modals, Natural Language and Linguistic Theory, [paper] with Jackie Yan-Ki Lai as 1st author

Talks

- 09/2025 **Modal presupposition and probability-sensitivity of negated indefinites**, *Sinn und Bedeutung 30*, Goethe University Frankfurt with Yizhen Jiang
- 09/2025 **Passamaquoddy quantifiers: Outliers of distributivity-number generalization?**, Sinn und Bedeutung 30, Goethe University Frankfurt with J. Cooper Roberts and Yizhen Jiang
- 05/2025 **Modal presupposition and probability-sensitivity of negated indefinites,** *Chicago Linguistic Society 61*, University of Chicago, [slides] with Yizhen Jiang
- 05/2025 Passamaquoddy quantifiers: Outliers of distributivity-number generalization?, Chicago Linguistic Society 61, University of Chicago, [poster] with J. Cooper Roberts and Yizhen Jiang
- 05/2023 **Diagnosing modal clause structure with focus-sensitive operators in Mandarin Chinese**, *West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics* 43, University of Washington, [poster]
- 09/2024 The case for the strong and conditional analysis of permission, *Sinn und Bedeutung* 29, Universitario Mediterraneo Orientale, [paper]
- 01/2024 *Dou* as *even* and plural universal quantification in Mandarin Chinese,
 North East Linguistics Society 54, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, [paper]
- 05/2023 Mandarin clausal comparatives involve standard embedding,
 West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics 41, University of California, Santa Cruz, [paper]
 with Zhouyi Sun
- 01/2023 The syntax and semantics of Chinese Across-the-Board constructions, *North East Linguistics Society* 53, University of Göttingen, [poster]

04/2021 A head-to-specifier movement account of multiple pre-subject modals in Mandarin Chinese,

5th Annual Berkeley Undergraduate Linguistics Symposium, University of California, Berkeley, [slides]

05/2020 New cartographic evidence for clause-medial position of low sentence-final aspect particles in Mandarin Chinese,

14th Cornell Undergraduate Linguistics Colloquium, Cornell University, [slides]

Research assistantship

04/2020 - Language Processing Lab, University of Chicago,

09/2020 PI: Ming Xiang

- Online acceptability experiment test item generation
- o Online acceptability experiment test JavaScript and HTML script writing on Ibex Farm
- o Transcription of recorded experimental verbal data

10/2019 - Sapir Scholar, University of Chicago,

06/2020 Mentor: Jackie Yan-Ki Lai

- Online acceptability experiment test item generation
- o Online acceptability experiment test JavaScript and HTML script writing on Ibex Farm
- o Plotting with matplotlib of experimental results

Languages

English Proficient

Mandarin Native Chinese

Listening comprehension: Sichuanese and Shanghainese Chinese

Skills

Languages Lua, Standard ML, Agda, Coq, Python, C Software LATEX, Praat