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EDUCATION

• Central China Normal University (CCNU)

Sep 2021 - July 2024

Master's in Psychology

• **Supervisor:** Asst.Prof. Xu Li

Wuhan, China

• Civil Aviation University of China (CAUC)

B.S. in Management Science

Sep 2017 - July 2021 Tianjin, China

PUBLICATIONS

- Zhang, S.-S., Zhong, Y., Li, X., & Peng, M. (2024). Dissociation of prepotent response inhibition and interference control in problematic internet use: evidence from the Go/No-Go and Flanker tasks. *BMC Psychology*, 12(1).
- Ding, L., Zhang, S. (co-first author), Peng, M., & Li, X. (2022). Aging and distractor resistance in working memory: Does emotional valence matter?. *BMC Psychology*, 10(1).

MANUSCRIPTS

- Zhang, S.-S., & Li, X. (in preparation). The age prospective memory paradox: A three-level meta-analytic review.
- **Zhang, S.-S.**, & Li, X. (in preparation). **A**ttention and working memory bias to facial emotions in Social Anxiety Disorder: Exploring the coherence among information-processing biases.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Institute of Psychology, Chinese Academy of Sciences

July 2024 - Present

Research Assistant, supervised by Prof. Yi Jiang

Beijing, China

- **Project: Visual Processing of Biological Motion Information**Funded by the National Natural Science Foundation of China, PI: Asst.Prof. Ying Wang
 - * Literature Review and Research Design: Synthesized existing research on biological motion processing and contributed to the experimental design, including participant recruitment, task setup, and stimuli selection.
 - * Experiment Execution and Data Analysis: Conducted behavioral, EEG, and fMRI experiments with over 40 participants, ensuring data integrity and optimizing protocols. Led data analysis, including preprocessing EEG and fMRI datasets and applying statistical models.
 - * **Reporting and Team Coordination**: Drafted sections of research reports and manuscripts. Provided ongoing support to team members by monitoring progress, offering feedback, and resolving technical issues in data collection and analysis.

Central China Normal University

Sep 2021 - July 2024

Master's Research, supervised by Asst.Prof. Xu Li

Wuhan, China

- **Project: Cognitive Mechanisms of Working Memory Plasticity in Older Adults** Funded by the National Natural Science Foundation of China, PI: Prof. Xu Li
 - * **Literature Review**: Conducted systematic reviews of the literature on cognitive aging and working memory plasticity, establishing a foundation for the theoretical framework.
 - * **Data Analysis and Technical Support**: Processed and analyzed EEG data from over 60 participants using EEGLAB and custom MATLAB scripts. Managed equipment calibration and ensured regular data backups.
 - * **Report Writing**: Contributed to research papers and internal reports summarizing key findings on cognitive aging and memory plasticity.

- Project: Working Memory Bias Correction in Individuals with Depressive Tendencies Funded by the MOE Project of Humanities and Social Sciences, PI: Asst.Prof. Xu Li
 - * Literature Review and Research Design: Reviewed literature on working memory biases in depression to guide the hypothesis and experimental design. Assisted in creating a protocol to assess and correct these biases.
 - * Experiment Execution and Data Analysis: Oversaw participant recruitment and managed data collection for 80 participants, ensuring adherence to experimental protocols. Performed statistical analyses using SPSS and MATLAB, testing key hypotheses.
 - * **Reporting and Administrative Support**: Authored detailed research reports and collaborated on manuscript drafts. Coordinated logistical aspects of the study, ensuring compliance with ethical standards and managing resources across departments.

SKILLS

- Programming Languages: Python (Scikit-learn), MATLAB (Psychtoolbox), R
- Data Acquisition & Analysis: EEG (EEGLAB, FieldTrip), fMRI (SPM, FSL), fNIRS, tDCS
- Statistical Analysis: R (Mixed-effects models, Meta-analysis), SPSS (ANOVA, Regression)
- Other Tools & Technologies: Microsoft Office, LaTeX, Zotero, Notion, Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator

HONORS AND AWARDS

Graduate Secend-Class Scholarship

September 2022

Central China Normal University (CCNU)

Awarded for outstanding academic performance.

Second-Class Scholarship

October 2020

Tianjin Municipal Government, Civil Aviation University of China (CAUC)

• Recognized for academic excellence and active participation in youth league activities.

Second-Class Scholarship, Excellent Student Leader

October 2019

Tianjin Municipal Government, Civil Aviation University of China (CAUC)

• Honored for leadership and academic achievements as a student leader.

• National Encouragement Scholarship, First-Class Scholarship, Excellent Student Leader

October 2018

Tianjin Municipal Government, Civil Aviation University of China (CAUC)

 Awarded for exceptional academic performance, leadership skills, and contributions to student governance.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Central China Normal University (CCNU)

Spring 2023

Teaching Assistant, Abnormal Psychology

Wuhan, China

- Assisted in creating and preparing lecture slides and teaching materials, ensuring clarity and alignment with course objectives.
- Recorded and monitored student attendance throughout the semester, maintaining accurate records for the instructor.
- Compiled and organized exam scores, providing statistical summaries and feedback on student performance.

Central China Normal University (CCNU)

Spring 2022

Teaching Assistant, Cyber Psychology

Wuhan, China

- Collaborated with the course instructor to develop and enhance lecture slides and course materials, ensuring up-to-date content.
- Tracked student attendance, providing timely updates to the instructor on participation rates.

REFERENCES

1. Yi Jiang

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2. Ying Wang

Associate Professor, Department of Cognitive and Developmental Psychology

Institute of Psychology, Chinese Academy of Sciences

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3. Xu Li

Associate Professor, Hubei Human Development and Mental Health Key Laboratory

School of Psychology, Central China Normal University

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