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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Phonology, Phonology-Morphology Interface, Phonetics, Language Documentation

EMPLOYMENT

Shanghai Jiao Tong University	October 2022 - Present
Tenure-track Assistant Professor	Shanghai, China

EDUCATION

University of Southern California	August 2015 - May 2022
Ph.D. in Linguistics	Los Angeles, USA
Dissertation: Generalized Surface Correspondence in reduplicative opacity	
Committee: Rachel Walker (Co-chair), Stephanie Shih (Co-chair), Khalil Iskarous, Toben Mintz.	
University of Southern California	August 2015 - May 2017
M.A. in Linguistics	Los Angeles, USA
Thesis: Quantified exponence constraints and the typology of exponence	
East China Normal University	August 2012 - June 2015
M.A. in Linguistics and Applied Linguistics.	Shanghai, China
Thesis: A diachronic phonological study of 'zi' rime change in northern Henan Province	

August 2008 - June 2012

Tianjin, China

PUBLICATIONS

Tianjin Normal University

B.A. in English Language and Literature

JOURNAL ARTICLES

To Appear	Yang, Yifan [†] & Rachel Walker. Temporal organization in word-initial sibilant-stop clusters in Moenat. Special issue of <i>Isogloss. Open Journal of Romance Linguistics</i> .
2024	Yang, Yifan . Floating mora affixation in Huozhou diminutive subtraction. <i>Glossa: A Journal of General Linguistics</i> 9(1). 1-41. doi: 10.16995/glossa.15130.
2024	Walker, Rachel & Yifan Yang . Consonant phonotactics in the Moenat variety of Ladin. <i>Italian Journal of Linguistics</i> 36(1). doi: 10.26346/1120-2726-217.
2023	Yang, Yifan . Rapa Nui: a case for correspondence in reduplication. <i>Linguistic Inquiry</i> 54(2). 395-412. doi:10.1162/ling_a_00444.
2022	Yang, Yifan [†] , Rachel Walker, Alessandro Vietti & Armin Chiochetti. Ladin, Varieties of Val di Fassa. Journal of the International Phonetic Association 52(3), 495-520, doi:10.1017/S0025100320000262.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Zhang, Jisheng & **Yifan Yang**. Phonological evolution of 'zi' rime change on the border of Shanxi and Henan Province: A case study of dialects in Hebi [晋豫边界鹤壁地区"子"变韵的音系理据]. In Wei Zheng (ed.), *Phonetic and Phonological Changes on Dialect Boundaries* [《边界方言语音与音系演变论集》]. Shanghai: Zhongxi Press [中西书局]. (In Chinese)

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CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- Qian, Zhiheng, Huifang Kong & **Yifan Yang**[†]. Dynamic properties of diphthongs in Hefei Mandarin. *Proceedings of the National Conference on Man-Machine Speech Communication 2024* (NCMMSC 2024).
- Walker, Rachel & **Yifan Yang**. Temporal coordination and markedness of Moenat Ladin consonant clusters. In Noah Elkins, Bruce Hayes, Jinyoung Jo and Jian-Leat Siah (eds.), *Supplemental Proceedings of the 2022 Annual Meeting on Phonology*. Washington, DC: Linguistic Society of America.
- **Yang, Yifan**. Quantified exponence constraints and the typology of exponence. In Gillian Gallagher, Maria Gouskova, and Sora Yin (eds.), *Supplemental Proceedings of the 2017 Annual Meeting on Phonology*. Washington, DC: Linguistic Society of America.
- Yang, Yifan & Wei Wei. Verbal reduplication in Mandarin Chinese: An analysis at syntax-phonology interface, In Michael Yoshitaka Erlewine and Yosuke Sato (eds.), *Proceedings of GLOW in Asia XI (Vol.1)*. Cambridge, MA: MITWPL.
- Yang, Yifan. Phonetic analysis and special pattern of nasal rime change in Qixian Chinese. *Proceedings of 2014 International Conference on Phonetic Research and Language Learning & English Phonetic Conference in China (ICPRLL&EPCC2014)*. pp.89-92.
- Yang, Yifan. Evolutionary process of zi rime change in north Henan Province: perspectives of linguistic geography. *Proceedings of The 14th International Symposium of Chinese Languages and Linguistics* (IsCLL-14) and The 10th Anniversary of the Institute of Linguistics, Academia Sinica. pp.376-89.

SUBMITTED

- **Resubmitted** Yang, Yifan. Reduplicative identity driven by Surface Correspondence. Ms. Shanghai Jiao Tong University.
- Under review Yang, Yifan & Xiaopei Wang. Phonological grammar of rime change in Zhongyuan Mandarin of southern Shanxi. [晋南中原官话名词变韵的音系语法]. Ms. Shanghai Jiao Tong University; Guangdong University of Foreign Studies. (In Chinese)

ARTICLES IN PREPARATION

- In prep Yang, Yifan. Theoretical issues and advances in the studies of reduplication [重叠中的理论问题和新进展]. Ms. Shanghai Jiao Tong University. (In Chinese)
- In prep Yang, Yifan & Xiaopei Wang. Phonetic realizations of rime change in Xiaxian dialect. [夏县方言变 韵的语音实现模式]. Ms. Shanghai Jiao Tong University; Guangdong University of Foreign Studies.(In Chinese)

PRESENTATIONS

- Dynamic properties of diphthongs in Hefei Mandarin. Talk presented at *National Conference on Man-Machine Speech Communication* 2024 (NCMMSC 2024). August 2024, Xinjiang University. (Co-authors: Qian, Zhiheng, Huifang Kong & **Yifan Yang**[†])
- Templatic backcopying and Generalized Surface Correspondence. Talk presented at *The 10th International Conference of Formal Linguistics* (ICFL-10). October 2023, Tsinghua University.
- Mora affixation in nonconcatenative morphology. Talk presented at *The 29th Annual Meeting of the International Association of Chinese Linguistics* (IACL-29). May 2023, Macau University of Science and Technology.
- Temporal coordination and markedness of Moenat Ladin consonant clusters. Poster presented at *The 2022 Annual Meeting on Phonology* (AMP 2022). October 2022, UCLA. (Co-authors: Walker, Rachel & **Yifan Yang**.)
- Generalized Surface Correspondence in reduplication. Poster presented at *The 2019 Annual Meeting on Phonology* (AMP 2019). October 2019, Stony Brook University.

2019 Variation of sibilants in three Ladin dialects. Poster presented at The 3rd Phonetics and Phonology in Europe Conference (PaPE 2019). June 2019, University of Salento (Lecce). (Co-authors: Yang, Yifan, Rachel Walker, & Alessandro Vietti.) 2019 Cumulative markedness in three-consonant clusters. Talk presented at The 16th Old World Conference on Phonology (OCP-16). January 2019, University of Verona. (Co-authors: Walker, Rachel & Yifan Yang.) 2018 Backcopying driven by Surface Correspondence. Talk presented at The Workshop on Phonological Variation and its Interfaces. November 2018, University of Barcelona. 2017 Quantified exponence constraints and the typology of exponence. Poster presented at The 2017 Annual Meeting on Phonology (AMP 2017). September 2017, New York University. 2017 Non-concatenative effects of mora affixation: A case study of Huozhou Chinese. Talk presented at The 11th International Workshop on Theoretical East Asian Linguistics (TEAL-11). June 2017, Academia Sinica (Taipei, Taiwan). 2017 Verbal reduplication in Mandarin Chinese: An analysis at syntax-phonology interface. Talk presented at GLOW in Asia XI. February 2017, National University of Singapore. (Co-authors: Yang, Yifan & Wei Wei.) 2016 Realize nonconcatenative allomorphs in Harmonic Serialism: A case study of diminutive formation in Huozhou Chinese. Talk presented at The 7th International Conference on Formal Linguistics (ICFL-7). December 2016, Nankai University (Tianjin, China). 2016 The realization of mutation in Chinese dialects. Poster presented at *The 2016 Annual Meeting on Phonology* (AMP2016). October 2016, USC. 2014 Phonetic analysis and the special pattern of nasal rime change in Qixian Chinese. Talk presented at *The 2014* International Conference on Phonetic Research and Language Learning & English Phonetic Conference in China (ICPRLL&EPCC2014). October 2014, Changsha, China. 2014 Evolutionary process of zi rime change in northern Henan Province: perspective of linguistic geography and markedness. Talk presented at The Third International Symposium on Chinese Language and Discourse (ISCLD-3). June 2014, Birkbeck, University of London. 2014 Evolutionary process of zi rime change in north Henan Province: perspectives of linguistic geography. Talk presented at The 14th International Symposium of Chinese Languages and Linguistics (IsCLL-14). June 2014, Academia Sinica (Taipei, Taiwan).

GRANTS

Grants for Humanities and Social Sciences

May 2024

Project: Nonconcatenative morphology of the dialects in Shanxi and Henan Province Shanghai Jiao Tong University

TEACHING AND ADVISING

COURSES TAUGHT

College English Reading - Level 4 Shanghai Jiao Tong University.

Spring 2024

College English Reading - Level 3 Shanghai Jiao Tong University.

Fall 2023, 2024; Spring 2023

OTHER LECTURES

Harmony Systems (Lecture)

February 2022

In LING 301: Introduction to Phonetics and Phonology, USC.

Praat Tutorial (Lecture) May 2018

In LING 499: Endangered Language Documentation, USC.

ADVISING

Research Project: Temporal Coordination of diphthongs in Hefei Chinese

September 2023 - Present

Advisees: Yunjia Lyu, Zhiheng Qian, Qianyi Yang, Xiaoyu Zhang, and Tianjian Zhu.

Shanghai Jiao Tong University.

TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIPS

Language and Society

Fall 2020, 2018, 2017, 2016; Spring 2022, 2021, 2019, 2018

Undergraduate General Education, USC.

Language and Mind
Undergraduate General Education, USC.

Fall 2021, Spring 2017

FIELDWORK EXPERIENCE

Moenat Ladin — Moena, Trentino-Alto Adige, Italy

October 2019

- o Investigated the phonotactics of Moenat Ladin.
- o Funded by Graduate Student Travel Grant, USC Department of Linguistics.

Huozhou Chinese — Huozhou, Shanxi Province, China

July 2019

- o Investigated the morpho-phonological patterns in Huozhou Chinese;
- o Recorded natural speech and elicited words for acoustic analyses.
- o Funded by Graduate School Summer Research Fellowship, USC Graduate School.

Brach, Cazet, and Moenat Ladin — Fassa Valley, Trentino-Alto Adige, Italy

June 2018

- Investigated the phonetic and phonological properties of three sub-variaties of Ladin;
- o Recorded both spontaneous speech and elicited words for acoustic analyses.
- o Funded by Summer Travel Grant, USC Department of Linguistics.

Yanggu Chinese — Yanggu, Shandong Province, China

July 2017

- o Investigated the sound inventory and morpho-phonological processes of Yanggu Chinese;
- o Recorded elited words for acoustic analyses, with a focus on diphthongs and glides.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Shanghai Overseas Talents Program (Junior Group)

May 2023

[上海海外高层次人才引进计划青年项目]

Shanghai Municipal People's Government.

Dornsife Doctoral Fellowship

August 2019

The Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences, USC.

Graduate School Summer Research Fellowship

May 2019

The Graduate School of USC.

Student Presenter Travel Grant

Feburary 2017

GLOW in Asia XI, National University of Singapore.

Dornsife Doctoral Fellowship

August 2015

The Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences, USC.

Merit Graduate of Shanghai

June 2015

Shanghai Municipal Education Commission.

Merit Student December 2014

East China Normal University.

National Scholarship December 2014

The Ministry of Education of the People's Republic of China.

Grants for Oversea Visiting and International Conference

Graduate School, East China Normal University.

May 2014

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

China Computer Federation (CCF) Member (2024–2025)

International Association of Chinese Linguistics (IACL) Member (2023–2024)

LANGUAGES

Mandarin Native proficiency

English Fluent

French Reading proficiency
Ladin Research knowledge

Varieties of Mandarin (Huozhou, Yanggu, Tianjin): Research knowledge.

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Praat, R, Matlab, Python