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Education

2022 - Present PhD in Computational Linguistics

University of Groningen, the Netherlands

2019 - 2022 M.A. in Language Intelligence and Technology

Beijing Language and Culture University (BLCU), Beijing, China

2015 - 2019 B.A. in English Language and Literature

Beijing Foreign Studies University (BFSU), Beijing, China

Research Interests

Broad Computational Modeling of Human Language, Speech synthesis

Selected Publications

Z. Li, Y. Zhang, X. Gao, S. Nayak, and M. Coler. "Leveraging Large Language Models for Sarcastic Speech Annotation in Sarcasm Detection". In: *Proceedings of Interspeech 2025*. 2025, pp. 3973–3977. DOI: 10.21437/Interspeech.2025-2074.

Zhu Li, **Yuqing Zhang**, and Yanlu Xie. "Speech stimulus continuum synthesis using deep learning methods". In: *Speech Communication* (2025), p. 103266.

Yuqing Zhang, Tessa Verhoef, Gertjan van Noord, and Arianna Bisazza. "Endowing Neural Language Learners with Human-like Biases: A Case Study on Dependency Length Minimization". In: *Proceedings of the 2024 Joint International Conference on Computational Linguistics, Language Resources and Evaluation (LREC-COLING 2024)*. Torino, Italia: ELRA and ICCL, May 2024, pp. 5819–5832. URL: https://aclanthology.org/2024.lrec-main.516/.

Yuqing Zhang, Zhu Li, Bin Wu, Yanlu Xie, Binghuai Lin, and Jinsong Zhang. "Relationships Between Perceptual Distinctiveness, Articulatory Complexity and Functional Load in Speech Communication." In: *Proceedings of Interspeech* (2021), pp. 1733–1737. [DOI]

Yuqing Zhang, Zhu Li, Binghuai Lin, and Jinsong Zhang. "A Preliminary Study on Discourse Prosody Encoding in L1 and L2 English Spontaneous Narratives." In: *Proceedings of Interspeech* (2021), pp. 3949–3953. [DOI]

Working Experience

July 2021 - Speech Algorithm Intern, Speech Synthesis and Language Modeling, AI Enabling
Jan 2022 Platform, DiDi Chuxing, Beijing, China

- Spring 2019 **Research Assistant**, Language Aging project, Laboratory of Phonetics and Speech Science, *Chinese Academy of Social Sciences*, Beijing, China
- Winter 2017 **Dictionary Editing Intern**, Educational Publishing Department, Foreign Language Teaching and Research Press, Beijing, China

Awards & Grants

- 2021 $\,$ 2nd prize for the best conference paper (PCC 2021) (first author)
- 2021 National Scholarship, BLCU
- 2019, 2021 First Class Scholarship, BLCU
 - 2018 Second Class Scholarship & Outstanding Student Award, BFSU