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Areas of interest: Syntactic theory, Semantics, Syntax-semantics interface, Syntax-phonology interface,
Language variations, Corpus linguistics

Major research languages: Cantonese, Mandarin, Vietnamese

Other research languages: Akan, Bangla, Japanese, Korean, Yorùbá, other Sinitic languages

Education and qualifications

2020 – Ph.D. in Linguistics, Yale University, U.S.A.

2017 – 2019 M.Phil. in Chinese Language and Literature, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK),
Hong Kong

Thesis title: *The Incompleteness Effects of Cantonese Verbal Suffixes* (in Chinese)

Committee: Bit-Chee Kwok (chair), Sze-Wing Tang (supervisor),

Yam Leung Lawrence Cheung, Po Lun Peppina Lee

2013 – 2017 B.A. in Chinese Language and Literature (First Class Honors), Minor in Linguistics, CUHK,
Hong Kong

Thesis title: *The Relationship of Syntax and Semantics of Quantificational Verbal Suffix -can
and its Preverbal Counterparts in Cantonese* (in Chinese)

Supervisor: Sze-Wing Tang

2014 Second Class Upper, Putonghua Proficiency Test

Publications

Journal articles (peer-reviewed)

- To appear 1. Lee, Tommy Tsz-Ming, and **Ka-Fai Yip**. Hyperraising, evidentiality, and phase deactivation.
Natural Language & Linguistic Theory.
- 2022 1. **Yip, Ka-Fai**. Converbs and adverbial clauses: a case study in Cantonese.
Studies in Chinese Linguistics 43(2): 143–169.
- 2020 1. **Yip, Ka-Fai**. Three discontinuous constructions of Cantonese verbal suffix *can* (in Chinese).
Current Research in Chinese Linguistics 99(1): 153–169.

Book chapter (peer-reviewed)

- 2020 1. **Yip, Ka-Fai**, and Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee. Modal movement licensed by focus.
In Andrew Simpson, ed., *New Explorations in Chinese Theoretical Syntax: Studies in Honor of Yen-Hui Audrey Li*, 165–192. Amsterdam and Philadelphia: John Benjamins.

Conference proceedings and working papers

- 2023 4. **Yip, Ka-Fai**, Ushasi Banerjee, and Margaret Chui Yi Lee. Are there “weak” definites in bare
classifier languages? In Juhyae Kim, Burak Öney, Yao Zhang, & Fengyue (Lisa) Zhao, eds., *Semantics and
Linguistic Theory (SALT)* 33, 253–275.
3. **Yip, Ka-Fai**, and Comfort Ahenkorah. Non-agreeing resumptive pronouns and partial Copy
Deletion. *UPenn Working Papers in Linguistics* 29(1): 206–215.

2. Lohninger, Magdalena, and **Ka-Fai Yip**. (In)dependence of features on composite probes. In Suet-Ying Lam, & Satoru Ozaki, eds., *Proceedings of the Fifty-Third Annual Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS)*, vol.2, 155–164.
1. Liu, Yuyang, and **Ka-Fai Yip**. High vs. low ‘again’: Mandarin *you* vs. *zai* and Cantonese *-faan* vs. *-gwo*. In Wei William Zhou, Mineharu Nakayama, Marjorie K.M. Chan, & Zhiguo Xie, eds., *Buckeye East Asian Linguistics*, vol. 7, 94–104. Ohio State University.
- 2022 2. **Yip, Ka-Fai**. Universal concord as syntactic agreement. *UPenn Working Papers in Linguistics* 28(1): 221–232.
1. Chan, Sheila Shu-Laam, Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee, and **Ka-Fai Yip**. Discontinuous predicates as partial deletion in Cantonese. *UPenn Working Papers in Linguistics* 28(1): 26–36.
- 2021 2. **Yip, Ka-Fai**, Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee, and Sheila Shu-Laam Chan. Deriving separable verbs in Cantonese. In Wei William Zhou, John Bundschuh, Mineharu Nakayama, and Zhiguo Xie, eds., *Buckeye East Asian Linguistics*, vol. 5, 94–104. Ohio State University.
1. Lee, Tommy Tsz-Ming, and **Ka-Fai Yip**. Raising, phase unlocked. In Rachel Soo, Una Y. Chow, and Sander Nederveen, eds., *Proceedings of the 38th West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL)*, 274–282. Somerville: Cascadilla Proceedings Project.
- 2020 4. **Yip, Ka-Fai**. Syntax-prosody mapping of right-dislocations in Cantonese and Mandarin. In Hisao Tokizaki, ed., *Phonological Externalization (Vol. 5)*, 73–90. Sapporo: Sapporo University.
3. **Yip, Ka-Fai**, and Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee. Generalized Scope Economy. In Kaidi Chen, ed., *Proceedings of the 32nd North American Conference on Chinese Linguistics (NACCL)*, 345–360. Storrs, CT: University of Connecticut.
2. Tsou, Benjamin K., and **Ka-Fai Yip**. A corpus-based comparative study of light verbs in three Chinese speech communities. In Minh Le Nguyen, Mai Chi Luong, and Sanghoun Song, eds., *Proceedings of the 34th Pacific Asia Conference on Language, Information and Computation (PACLIC)*, 302–311. Association for Computational Linguistics.
1. Tsou, Benjamin K., Ka Po Chow, John Lee, **Ka-Fai Yip**, Yaxuan Ji, and Kevin Wu. Bilingual multi-word expressions, multiple-correspondence, and their cultivation from parallel patents: the Chinese-English case. In Minh Le Nguyen, Mai Chi Luong, and Sanghoun Song, eds., *Proceedings of the 34th Pacific Asia Conference on Language, Information and Computation (PACLIC)*, 589–602. Association for Computational Linguistics.

Talks and presentations

Invited talks

- 2024 2. Defocus Rephrasing: right dislocation and syntax-prosody mapping
Invited talk to be given at *Linguistics Brown Bag*, Stony Brook University, April 10, 2024. (with Xuetong Yuan)
1. Biclausal multidominant syntax of right dislocation in Chinese
Invited talk at *Syntax Brown Bag*, New York University, March 1, 2024.
- 2023 3. Agreeing and non-agreeing resumptive pronouns in Sinitic languages
Invited talk at *Georgetown Syntax Reading Group*, Georgetown University, November 9, 2023.
2. Defocus and syntax-prosody mismatches in right-dislocated structures
Invited talk at *LingLunch*, University of Connecticut, April 25, 2023. (with Xuetong Yuan)
1. A compositional account of “only” doubling
Invited talk at *LFRG*, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, March 15, 2023.
- 2022 1. Non-agreeing resumptive pronouns and partial Copy Deletion
Invited talk at *LingLunch*, University of Connecticut, April 26, 2022. (with Comfort Ahenkorah)
- 2021 2. Universal concord as syntactic agreement
Invited talk at *Syntax Brown Bag*, New York University, October 22, 2021.
1. CanTONEse (a self-learning mobile app for Cantonese tones)
Invited talk at *School of Cantonese Studies 2021*, The Education University of Hong Kong (online), May 15-16, 2021. (with Mei-ying Ki and Yik-Po Lai)

- 2020 1. Universal concord as syntactic agreement
Invited talk at *Syntax+*, University of Southern California, October 5, 2020.

Refereed presentations

- 2024 4. Defending a biclausal approach to right dislocation
Talk at *The 36th North American Conference on Chinese Linguistics (NACCL-36)*, Pomona College, March 23-24, 2024.
3. Linguistic and social aspects of sibilant palatalization in homeland and heritage Cantonese
Talk at *The 36th North American Conference on Chinese Linguistics (NACCL-36)*, Pomona College, March 23-24, 2024. (with Yanting Li, Xiao Dong, & Gareth Junjie Yang)
2. Right dislocation, defocus, and variations in syntax-prosody mapping
Talk at *The 15th Workshop on Phonological Externalization of Morphosyntactic Structure: Theory, Typology and History (Phex-15)*, Tokyo Woman's Christian University, February 24, 2024. (with Xuetong Yuan)
1. Agreement in imperative clauses: evidence from object resumptive pronouns in Mandarin Chinese
Poster at *The 54th Annual Meeting of the North East Linguistics Society (NELS-54)*, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, January 26-27, 2024. (with Xuetong Yuan)
- 2023 10. On the Rising-Falling boundary tone in Cantonese
Talk at *The 27th International Conference on Yue Dialects*, Ohio State University (online), November 30 – December 2, 2023. (with Mei-ying Ki)
9. Sibilant palatalization in Hong Kong and Toronto Cantonese: a corpus study
Talk at *The 27th International Conference on Yue Dialects*, Ohio State University (online), November 30 – December 2, 2023. (with Yanting Li & Xiao Dong)
8. Online quiz game “Cantonese Master Challenge”: gamifying linguistics popularization and crowdsourced data collection
Talk (in Chinese) at *The 14th International Conference of Digital Archives and Digital Humanities*, National Cheng Kung University, December 1-3, 2023.
(with Yik-Po Lai, Mei-ying Ki, Chaak-ming Lau, Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee, Kam Pang Wong, Oscar Wong)
7. Jussive agreement with non-agreeing resumptive pronouns in Mandarin Chinese
Talk at *16th edition of the Brussels Conference on Generative Linguistics (BCGL 16)*, CRISSP of KU Leuven, Brussels, October 5-6, 2023. (with Xuetong Yuan)
6. Are there “weak definites” in bare classifier languages?
Talk at *The 33rd meeting of Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT 33)*, Yale University, May 12-14, 2023.
(with Ushasi Banejee & Margaret Chui Yi Lee)
5. Agreeing with ‘only’
Talk at *41st West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL-41)*, University of California, Santa Cruz, May 5-7, 2023.
4. Defocus leads to syntax-prosody mismatches in right dislocated structures
Talk at *59th Meeting of the Chicago Linguistic Society (CLS 59)*, The University of Chicago, April 28-30, 2023.
(with Xuetong Yuan)
3. Agreeing with ‘only’ in Cantonese*
Talk at *The 47th Penn Linguistics Conference (PLC-47)*, University of Pennsylvania, March 18-19, 2023.
***Awarded PLC-47 Best Abstract Award**
2. (In)dependence of features on composite probes
Poster at *The 53rd Annual Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS 53)*, University of Göttingen, January 12-14, 2023. (with Magdalena Lohninger)
1. Independence and what it allows you to do
Poster at *The 97th Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA)*, Denver, January 5-8, 2023.
(with Magdalena Lohninger)
- 2022 14. Doubling exclusive particles in Cantonese
Talk at *The 2022 Annual Research Forum of The Linguistic Society of Hong Kong (LSHK-ARF-2022)*, The Hong Kong Baptist University (online), December 3, 2022.

13. “Definite” bare nouns as quasi-names in Cantonese
Talk at *The 26th International Conference on Yue Dialects*, Jinan University (online), November 26-27, 2022. (with Margaret Chui Yi Lee)
12. High vs. low ‘again’: Mandarin *you* vs. *zai* and Cantonese *-faan* vs. *-gwo*.
Talk at *Buckeye East Asian Linguistics Forum 5 (BEAL-5)*, The Ohio State University (online), October 28, 2022. (with Yuyang Liu)
11. “Archival collections” vs “Computational corpora”: The structure and concerns of text repositories built for disparate tasks
Talk at *The Language Documentation and Archiving Conference (LD&A) 2022*, Berlin Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities (online), October 5-7, 2022. (with Irene Yi, Amelia Lake, Cassandra Haakman, Sarah Babinski, Sunkulp Ananthanarayan, Coralie Cram & Claire Bowerin)
10. Doubling exclusivity in Cantonese
Talk at *The 34th North American Conference on Chinese Linguistics (NACCL-34)*, Indiana University Bloomington, September 24-25, 2022.
9. Rethinking the internal syntax of adverbial clauses and operator movement
Talk at *The 13th Generative Linguistics in the Old World in Asia (GLOW in Asia XIII)*, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (online), August 4-7, 2022. (with Zhuo Chen)
8. On the positions of ‘again’: Comparing Cantonese *-faan*, *-gwo* with Mandarin *you*, *zai*
Talk at *The 22nd Workshop on Cantonese (WOC-22)*, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (online), June 25, 2022. (with Yuyang Liu)
7. Processing discontinuous predicates in Cantonese
Talk at *The Fifth Forum on Cantonese Linguistics (FoCaL-5)*, City University of Hong Kong (online), June 4, 2022. (with Carmen Kin Man Tang, Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee and Sheila Shu-Laam Chan)
6. Over Forty Thousand Responses to the Online Quiz Game “Cantonese Master Challenge”: The Public Understanding of Cantonese Linguistics
Talk (in Chinese) at *The Fifth Forum on Cantonese Linguistics (FoCaL-5)*, City University of Hong Kong (online), June 4, 2022. (with Yik-Po Lai, Kenith Chan, Mei-ying Ki, Chaak-ming Lau, Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee, Kam Pang Wong, Oscar Wong)
5. Separable verbs as partial deletion in Cantonese
Talk at *The 28th Annual Conference of the International Association of Chinese Linguistics (IACL-28)*, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (online), May 20-22, 2022. (with Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee and Sheila Shu-Laam Chan)
4. MSC variations in metaphorization among Pan-Chinese speech communities
Talk at *The 28th Annual Conference of the International Association of Chinese Linguistics (IACL-28)*, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (online), May 20-22, 2022. (with Benjamin K. Tsou)
3. Non-agreeing resumptive pronouns and partial Copy Deletion
Talk at *The 46th Penn Linguistics Conference (PLC-46)*, University of Pennsylvania (online), March 18-20, 2022. (with Comfort Ahenkorah)
2. Adverbial clauses with and without operator movement
Talk at *The 96th Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA)*, Washington, DC, January 6-9, 2022. (with Zhuo Chen)
1. Non-agreeing resumptive pronouns and partial Copy Deletion
Poster at *The 96th Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA)*, Washington, DC, January 6-9, 2022. (with Comfort Ahenkorah)
- 2021 21. Converbs and adverbial clauses: a case study in Cantonese
Talk at *The 25th International Conference on Yue Dialects*, Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao University Alliance for Chinese (online), December 18-19, 2021.
20. Partial deletion at word-level: discontinuous predicates in Cantonese
Talk at *The Brussels Conference on Generative Linguistics 14 (BCGL-14)*, CRISSP of KU Leuven (online), December 16-18, 2021. (with Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee and Sheila Shu-Laam Chan)
19. Non-agreeing resumptive pronouns and partial Copy Deletion
Talk at *SYNC 2021*, CUNY Graduate Center (online), December 4, 2021. (with Comfort Ahenkorah)

18. Two kinds of resumption in Cantonese
Talk at *2021 Linguistic Society of Hong Kong Annual Research Forum (ARF)*, City University of Hong Kong (online), December 4, 2021.
17. Adverbial clauses with and without operator movement
Talk at *The 9th International Conference on Formal Linguistics (ICFL-9)*, Fudan University (online), November 5-7, 2021. (with Zhuo Chen)
16. Universal concord as syntactic agreement
Talk at *The 13th Workshop on Formal Linguistics (WFL-13)*, Auditório do Instituto de Letras, Universidade de Brasília (online), September 14-17, 2021.
15. Hyper-raising, evidentiality, and phase deactivation
Talk at *The 13th Workshop on Formal Linguistics (WFL-13)*, Auditório do Instituto de Letras, Universidade de Brasília (online), September 14-17, 2021. (with Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee)
14. Differential metaphorization and grammaticalization in Chinese light verbs
Talk at *The 54th Annual Meeting of the Societas Linguistica Europaea (SLE-54)*, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (online), August 30-September 3, 2021. (with Benjamin K. Tsou)
13. Concord as syntactic agreement: evidence from intervention effects
Poster at *Colloquium on Generative Grammar 30 (CGG-30)*, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (online), June 30-July 2, 2021.
12. Where is the dividing line between spoken and written Cantonese data source: from the LIVAC perspective
Talk (in Chinese) at *The 21st Workshop on Cantonese (WOC-21)*, The Education University of Hong Kong (online), June 26, 2021. (with Benjamin K. Tsou and Yaxuan Ji)
11. Converbs and adverbial clauses: a case study in Cantonese
Talk at *The 33rd meeting of the North American Conference on Chinese Linguistics (NACCL-33)*, The University of Chicago (online), June 24-25, 2021.
10. MSC variations in metaphorization among Pan-Chinese speech communities
Talk at *The 33rd meeting of the North American Conference on Chinese Linguistics (NACCL-33)*, The University of Chicago (online), June 24-25, 2021. (with Benjamin K. Tsou)
9. Separable verbs as partial deletion in Cantonese
Talk at *The 33rd meeting of the North American Conference on Chinese Linguistics (NACCL-33)*, The University of Chicago (online), June 24-25, 2021. (with Sheila Shu-Laam Chan and Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee)
8. Differential metaphorization and grammaticalization: a case study of Chinese light verbs
Talk at *Researching and Applying Metaphor (RaAM) 14: Metaphor and Space*, Vilnius University, June 23-26, 2021.
7. Syntax-prosody mapping of right dislocation: a comparative study of Cantonese and Mandarin*
Talk at *The 7th International Conference on Prosodic Grammar (ICPG-7)*, Beijing Language and Culture University and Tianjin University (online), April 17-18, 2021.
***Awarded Young Scholar Award for Prosodic Grammar, First Place**
6. Two types of temporal adverbial clauses in Cantonese
Poster at *The 39th meeting of the West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL39)*, The University of Arizona (online), April 8-11, 2021.
5. Universal concord as syntactic agreement
Talk at *The 45th Penn Linguistics Conference (PLC-45)*, University of Pennsylvania (online), March 19-21, 2021.
4. Verbal “infixation” as partial deletion: a case in Cantonese verbs
Talk at *The 45th Penn Linguistics Conference (PLC-45)*, University of Pennsylvania (online), March 19-21, 2021. (with Sheila Shu-Laam Chan and Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee)
3. Two types of temporal adverbial clauses in Cantonese
Talk at *Buckeye East Asian Linguistics Forum 4 (BEAL-4)*, The Ohio State University (online), March 5, 2021.
2. Deriving separable verbs in Cantonese
Talk at *Buckeye East Asian Linguistics Forum 4 (BEAL-4)*, The Ohio State University (online), March 5, 2021. (with Sheila Shu-Laam Chan and Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee)
1. Separable verbs, syllable deletion, and micro-variations
Talk at *The 11th Workshop on Phonological Externalization of Morphosyntactic Structure (Phex-11)*, Sapporo University (online), February 13, 2021. (with Sheila Shu-Laam Chan and Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee)

- 2020
15. Indirect evidence as a licensing condition of hyperraising in Cantonese and Vietnamese
Talk at *The Brussels Conference on Generative Linguistics 13 (BCGL-13)*, CRISSP of KU Leuven (online), December 16-18, 2020. (with Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee)
 14. On the position of perfective aspect
Talk at *2020 Linguistic Society of Hong Kong Annual Research Forum (ARF)*, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (online), December 11-12, 2020.
 13. A preliminary study on metaphorization of Chinese verbs: comparing Hong Kong, Macau and Beijing
Talk (in Chinese) at *2020 Linguistic Society of Hong Kong Annual Research Forum (ARF)*, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (online), December 11-12, 2020. (with Benjamin K. Tsou and Yaxuan Ji)
 12. CanTONEse: a self-learning mobile app for Cantonese tones
Talk at *The 24th International Conference on Yue Dialects*, University of Macau (online), November 13-14, 2020. (with Mei-ying Ki and Yik-Po Lai)
 11. Bilingual multi-word expressions, multiple-correspondence, and their cultivation from parallel patents: the Chinese-English case
Talk at *PACLIC Workshop on Multiword Expressions in Asian languages (MWEA 2020)*, VNU University of Science (online), October 26, 2020. (with Benjamin K. Tsou, Ka Po CHOW, John LEE, Yaxuan Ji and Kevin WU)
 10. A corpus-based comparative study of light verbs in three Chinese speech communities
Talk at *The 34th Pacific Asia Conference on Language, Information and Computation (PACLIC-34)*, VNU University of Science (online), October 24-26, 2020. (with Benjamin K. Tsou)
 9. Generalized Scope Economy
Talk at *The 32nd North American Conference on Chinese Linguistics (NACCL-32)*, University of Connecticut (online), September 18-20, 2020. (with Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee)
 8. Hyperraising and evidentiality
Talk at *The 22nd Seoul International Conference on Generative Grammar (SICOGG-22)*, Gyeongsang National University, Korea (online), August 12-14, 2020. (with Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee)
 7. Generalized Scope Economy
Talk at *The 22nd Seoul International Conference on Generative Grammar (SICOGG-22)*, Gyeongsang National University, Korea (online), August 12-14, 2020. (with Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee)
 6. Syllable deletion and morphological length in Cantonese verbs
Talk at *The Third Forum on Cantonese Linguistics (FoCaL-3)*, The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong, June 27, 2020. (with Sheila Shu-Laam Chan and Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee)
 5. How to identify intonations on sentence-final particles?
Talk at *The Twentieth Workshop on Cantonese (WOC-20)*, Hong Kong Baptist University (online), June 6, 2020. (with Jonathan Him Nok Lee)
 4. Zero-coded passives in Cantonese
Talk at *The 5th Workshop on Innovations in Cantonese Linguistics (WICL-5)*, The Ohio State University (online), April 18, 2020. (with Sheila Shu-Laam Chan and Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee)
 3. The prosodic syntax of right dislocation in Cantonese
Talk at *The 5th Workshop on Innovations in Cantonese Linguistics (WICL-5)*, The Ohio State University (online), April 18, 2020.
 2. Raising, phase unlocked
Talk at *The 38th meeting of the West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL38)*, The University of British Columbia, March 6-8, 2020. (with Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee)
 1. Syntax-prosody mapping in clausal domains: right dislocation in Mandarin and Cantonese
Talk at *The 10th workshop on Phonological Externalization of Morphosyntactic Structure: Universals and Variables (Phex 10)*, The University of Tokyo, February 15, 2020.
- 2019
6. Sentence-initial root modals and focus
Talk at *2019 Linguistic Society of Hong Kong Annual Research Forum (ARF)*, The Education University of Hong Kong, December 7, 2019. (with Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee)
 5. The prosodic syntax of right dislocation in Cantonese
Talk (in Chinese) at *2019 Linguistic Society of Hong Kong Annual Research Forum (ARF)*, The Education University of Hong Kong, December 7, 2019.

4. Verbs of saying in Chenghai Min
Talk (in Chinese) at *The 5th Inter-Regional Forum on Dialectal Grammar (IRF-5)*, Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou, June 15-16, 2019. (with Jia Jin)
3. Attitude verbs, uncertain propositions and hyper-raising
Talk at *The Second Forum on Cantonese Linguistics (FoCaL-2)*, The Education University of Hong Kong, June 1, 2019. (with Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee)
2. Re-classifying Cantonese verbal suffixes
Talk (in Chinese) at *The Second Forum on Cantonese Linguistics (FoCaL-2)*, The Education University of Hong Kong, June 1, 2019.
1. Subordinate affixes in Cantonese and intervention effects
Talk at *The 27th Annual Conference of International Association of Chinese Linguistics (IACL-27)*, Kobe City University of Foreign Studies, Japan, May 10-12, 2019.
- 2018 4. A preliminary study on subordinate affixes in Cantonese
Talk (in Chinese) at *The 23rd International Conference on Yue Dialects*, Jinan University, Guangzhou, December 15-16, 2018.
3. Two subclasses of verbs of thinking in Cantonese
Talk at *2018 Linguistic Society of Hong Kong Annual Research Forum (ARF)*, City University of Hong Kong, December 1, 2018. (with Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee)
2. Complex sentence formation of Cantonese affix *can*
Talk (in Chinese) at *The 8th International Conference on Formal Linguistics (ICFL-8)*, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, November 24-25, 2018.
1. Cantonese verbal suffix *dak* and intentionality
Talk at *The 4th Workshop on Innovations in Cantonese Linguistics (WICL-4)*, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada, June 23-24, 2018.
- 2017 2. Three discontinuous constructions of Cantonese verbal suffix *can*
Talk (in Chinese) at *The 22nd International Conference on Yue Dialects*, The Education University of Hong Kong, December 8-9, 2017.
1. A study of Cantonese intentional verbal suffix *dak*
Talk (in Chinese) at *2017 Linguistic Society of Hong Kong Annual Research Forum (ARF)*, Hong Kong Baptist University, December 2, 2017.
- 2015 1. Properties of Cantonese classifier *zan*
Talk (in Chinese) at *The 20th International Conference on Yue Dialects*, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, December 11-12, 2015.

Other presentations

- 2024 1. Non-agreeing resumptive pronouns in imperatives
Talk to be given at *The CUHK-UChicago Forum on Comparative Linguistics*, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, March 5, 2024. (with Xuetong Yuan)
- 2023 1. CHAIN FAITHFULNESS: restricting Partial Copy Deletion on discontinuous constituents
Poster at *Syntax near NYU*, New York University, November 17, 2023. (with Tommy Tsz-Ming Lee)
- 2022 1. On Cantonese yes-no question particle *aa4*: evidential bias and confirmation
Poster at *Language Diversity, Linguistic Theory and Cultural Identity in South Asia*, Yale University, April 29-30, 2022.
- 2021 2. Tones are colourful and animate: the self-learning mobile app CanTONEse
Talk at *International Conference on Technology-Enhanced Language Learning and Teaching & Corpus-based Language Learning and Teaching 2021 (TeLLT & CoLLT 2021)*, The Education University of Hong Kong (online), July 7-9, 2021. (with Mei-ying Ki and Yik-Po Lai)
1. Exclusive focus in Yoruba
Talk at *The Southern New England Workshop in Semantics (SNEWS) 2021*, University of Connecticut (online), May 1, 2021.
- 2020 1. Facilitating the self-learning of Cantonese: an innovative e-approach
Talk at *Teaching and Learning Innovation Expo 2019/20*, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (online), July 28-30, 2020. (with Pit Shun Lai and Yik-Po Lai)

- 2019 1. Universal Concord: evidence from Cantonese pseudo affixal quantifier *-can*
Poster at 2019 LSA Linguistic Institute, University of California, Davis, July 7, 2019.

Teaching experience

- 2022 – Teaching Fellow, Yale University
- LING 275/CGSC 275/PHIL 280 Pragmatics (Spring 2024)
 - LING 217/EDST 237/PSYC 317 Language and Mind (Fall 2023)
 - LING 116/CGSC 216/PSYC 116 Cognitive Science of Language (Spring 2023)
 - LING 253 Syntax I (Fall 2022)
- Feb – Jun 2020 Teaching Assistant, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST)
- MILE5304 Chinese Lexicology
- Sep – Dec 2018 Teaching Assistant, CUHK
- CHLL2131 Intro to Chinese Phonology

Other study experience

- Jun – Jul 2023 2023 LSA Linguistic Institute, Linguistic Society of America, University of Massachusetts Amherst, U.S.A.
- Jun – Jul 2019 2019 LSA Linguistic Institute, Linguistic Society of America, University of California, Davis, U.S.A.
- Jul – Aug 2017 Summer Institute, 2017 Core Course (First Grade), Linguistics Institute of China, Tianjin Normal University, China

Other research experience

- Feb – Jun 2020, Jul 2021 Research Assistant, ChiLin (HK) Limited (Supervisor: Benjamin K. Tsou)
- Project: A corpus-based comparative study of light verbs in Chinese speech communities
 - Project: Differential metaphorization and grammaticalization in Chinese light verbs
- Oct 2019 – Jul 2020 Junior Research Assistant, Department of Chinese Language and Literature, CUHK
- Assisting online learning of Mandarin and Cantonese (Supervisor: Sze-Wing Tang)
- Dec 2018 – May 2019 Designing teaching materials of the self-learning app *CanTONEse* for learning Cantonese tones, CUHK
- Jul 2018 Designing a self-assessment test on Cantonese, CUHK
- Jun – Aug 2014 Student helper, Human-Computer Communications Laboratory, CUHK
- To transcribe and assess data of interviewees having central dysarthria

Scholarship and honors

- 2020 – Yale Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Fellowship (tuition and stipend)
- 2023 Linguistic Society of America Summer Program Award, Yale University
- 2023 PLC-47 Best Abstract Award
The 47th Annual Penn Linguistics Conference (PLC-47), University of Pennsylvania, March 18-19, 2023.
- 2022 – 2023 MacMillan Center International Conference Travel Grant, Yale University
- 2021 Young Scholar Award for Prosodic Grammar, First Place
The 7th International Conference on Prosodic Grammar (ICPG-7), Beijing Language and Culture University and Tianjin University, April 17-18, 2021.
- 2017 – 2019 Postgraduate Studentship, CUHK
- 2017 Undergraduate “Independent Research” Paper Award (Language and Linguistics)
Department of Chinese Language and Literature, CUHK

- 2014 Gold Award, Best Essay Award (In Dialogue with Nature)
General Education, CUHK

Academic services

Conference organization

- 2018 – Organizing committee, The Forum on Cantonese Linguistics (FoCaL)
- FoCaL-1: The Chinese University of Hong Kong, 31 May, 2018
- FoCaL-2: The Education University of Hong Kong, 1 Jun, 2019
- FoCaL-3: The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong, 27 Jun, 2020
- FoCaL-4: Hong Kong Baptist University (online), 29 May, 2021
- FoCaL-5: City University of Hong Kong (online), 4 June, 2022
- FoCaL-6: The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, 10 June, 2023
- FoCaL-7: To be held at Hong Kong Shue Yan University, 22 June, 2024
- 2023 Organizing committee, The 27th International Conference on Yue Dialects
The Ohio State University (online), 30 November to 2 December, 2023
- 2023 Organizing committee, Stony Brook, Yale, NYU, CUNY Linguistics Conference (SYNC-23)
Yale University, 4 March, 2023
- 2022 Organizing committee, The Southern New England Workshop in Semantics (SNEWS) 2022
Yale University, 12 November, 2022
- 2018 Student organizer, The 11th Cross-Strait Symposium on Modern Chinese Language
The Chinese University of Hong Kong, 7-8 Dec, 2018
- 2017 Student helper, The International Symposium on Chinese in the Maritime Silk Road
The Chinese University of Hong Kong, 7-8 Apr, 2017

Reviewing for journals

- 2024 *Journal of East Asian Linguistics*
- 2021 *Journal of East Asian Linguistics*
Yale Undergraduate Research Journal

Language skills

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| Cantonese: Native | English: Fluent |
| Mandarin: Fluent | Japanese: Course work |
| Vietnamese: Research & course work | |