The *Journal of Chinese Linguistics* vol.52, no.2 (May 2024): 419–455 © 2024 by the Journal of Chinese Linguistics. ISSN 0091-3723/A prosodic and perceptional study on the Chinese interrogative pronoun "shen me" when indicating inquiry, free reference and negation. (In Chinese) By Ping Wang and Xiaowen Wang. All rights reserved.

疑问代词"什么"的疑问、任指和否定用法的 韵律和听感研究

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摘要

本文对汉语疑问代词"什么"表"疑问"、"任指"和"否定"的韵律和听感表现进行了全面的考察和比较。结果表明:表"疑问"的"什么"语句的韵律表现接近一般疑问句;表"任指"的"什么"语句为焦点重音位于"都"的陈述句;表"否定"的"什么"语句为焦点重音分别位于"什么"或谓语动词"算"的感叹句。感知实验的结果表明:不同用法的"什么"自身的声学差异不会影响对于原句语气类型的判断,但会在一定程度上影响其自然度的判断。综合声学和听感表现,表疑问和任指的"什么"属于自然重音,表否定的重读形式的"什么"属于"强调重音"。三种用法应运用多维度语音标准来区分,即,韵律和听感两个方面,同时韵律层面应包括音高、时长和音强三个参数。

关键词

什么 任指 否定 韵律 听感

1. 引言

疑问代词"什么"的用法丰富,功能多样,对于其使用和分类的研究由来已久。朱德熙(Zhu 1982)将疑问代词的用法划分为表示疑问和非疑问两种。对于"什么"的疑问用法,语法学界已经较为成熟,

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A PROSODIC AND PERCEPTIONAL STUDY ON THE CHINESE INTERROGATIVE PRONOUN "SHEN ME" WHEN INDICATING INQUIRY, FREE REFERENCE AND NEGATION

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ABSTRACT

This paper makes a comprehensive investigation and comparison of the prosodic and perceptual performance of the interrogative pronoun "shen me" when indicating question, free reference and negation. The results show that the prosodic performance of the sentence using "shen me" to indicate a question is similar to the prosody of an interrogative sentence; the sentence using "shen me" to indicate free reference has the intonation of a declarative sentence with the focus stress on "dou"; and the sentence using "shen me" to indicate negation has the intonation of an exclamatory sentence with focus stress on "shen me" or the predicative verb "suan". The results of these perceptual experiments show that the acoustic differences of "shen me" won't affect the listener's judgement of the mood of the original sentence, but will affect the judgement of its naturalness to a certain extent. Combining acoustic and perceptual performance, "shen me" indicating a question and free reference carries natural stress, and "shen me" indicating negation carries emphatic stress. The three functions of "shen me" should be discriminated using multi-dimensional standards, that is, both prosody and perception. Additionally, the prosodic standard should include pitch, duration and intensity.

KEYWORDS

Shen me Free reference Negation Prosody Perception