



RIDCH 38th Seminar

Corpus Linguistics and Creativity in TV and Social Media English



Date: 30 October 2018 (Tue)
Time: 8:15 - 9:15 p.m.
Venue: Room C0812, 8/F, OUHK Main Campus

The study of linguistic creativity has posed great challenges for corpus linguists. Some main obstacles include the absence of agreement about (linguistic) creativity; the dearth of efficient extraction strategies which can improve the current, highly time-consuming manual trawling process; and the lack of analytical frameworks which can cover various multimodal resources contributing to the production of linguistic creativity.

In this talk, the main objectives are i) to discuss quantitative ways to improve efficiency of linguistic creativity extraction through corpus linguistic approach, ii) to introduce new frameworks for the multimodal analysis of (linguistic) creativity, and iii) to analyse instances of (linguistic) creativity qualitatively using the introduced frameworks. The data used in this talk will be mainly English-based, taken from, but not limited to, television and social media – two of the world's most popular forms of communication media to date.



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