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Education

2016 University in Alberta, Canada PhD in Psychology

*Dissertation title: From Scattering Dots to Cognitive Maps: Contributions
of visual features in localization and cognitive mapping*

Advisor: Dr. Weimin Mou

2010 East China Normal University BSc. in Psychology

Academic Work History

2016- Post-doc researcher at the German Center for Neurodegenerative Diseases
(DZNE) – Magdeburg, Germany

Advisor: Dr. Thomas Wolbers

2011-2016 Teaching assistant at the Department of Psychology, University of Alberta,
Canada

Publications

Zhou, R., & Mou, W. (2016). The Limits of Boundaries: Unpacking Localization and Cognitive Mapping Relative to a Boundary. Accepted.

Zhou, R., & Mou, W. (2016). Superior Cognitive Mapping through Single-landmark-related Learning than through Boundary-related Learning. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory and Cognition*, 42(8), 1316-1323.

Lubyk, D. M., Spetch, M. L., **Zhou, R.**, Pisklak, J. & Mou, W. (2013). Reorientation in diamond-shaped environments: Encoding of features and angles in enclosures versus arrays by adult humans and pigeons (*Columbia livia*). *Animal Cognition*, 16, 565-581.

Mou, W., Nankoo, J., **Zhou, R.**, & Spetch, M. L. (2013). Use of geometric properties for reorientation to remote cities: object arrays and extended surfaces. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory, and Cognition*, 40, 476-491.

Mou, W. & **Zhou, R.** (2012). Defining a boundary in goal localization: infinite number of points or extended surfaces. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory and Cognition*, 39, 115-1127.

Working Papers

Zhou, R., & Mou, W. (2016). Perceived relative stability modulates relative dominance of a boundary and a landmark array in goal localization. In Revision.

Zhou, R., & Mou, W. (2016). Global Shapes Guide Goal Localization. Manuscript in preparation.

Conference Presentation

Zhou, R., & Mou, W. (2016). The Limits of Boundaries: Unpacking Localization and Cognitive Mapping Relative to a Boundary. Space and Time in the Brain, December 7-8, Jerusalem, Israel.

Zhou, R., & Mou, W. (2016). Perceived relative stability modulates relative dominance of a boundary and a landmark array in goal localization. 1st Interdisciplinary Navigation Symposium, June 26-30, Bad Gastein, Austria.

Zhou, R., & Mou, W. (2016). When boundary-related learning is not incidental: Perceived stability modulates cue-selection process in goal localization. Banff Annual Seminar in Cognitive Science, April 29-30, Banff, Canada.

Zhou, R., & Mou, W. (2015). Hit and Miss in a Boundary: Unpacking Localization and Cognitive Mapping Relative to a Boundary. Psychonomic Society's 56th annual conference, November 19-22, Chicago, USA.

Zhou, R., & Mou, W. (2015). Worse cognitive mapping in a boundary: Uncertainty of spatial relations between reference points may hinder cognitive mapping. Banff Annual Seminar in Cognitive Science, May 1-2, Banff, Canada.

Zhou, R., & Mou, W. (2014). Connecting dots in a cognitive map: response learning leads to better knowledge of inter-location spatial relations. Psychonomic Society's 55th annual conference, November 20-23, Long Beach, USA.

Zhou, R., & Mou, W. (2014). Getting from A to B: How do we integrate spatial locations using different cues. Banff Annual Seminar in Cognitive Science, May 2-3, Banff, Canada.

Zhou, R., & Mou, W. (2013). Boundary Enclosures Guide Goal Localization. Conference On Spatial Information Theory, Sep. 2-6, Scarborough, UK.

Zhou, R., & Mou, W. (2013). What does environment shape tell us: goal localization and environment configuration. Banff Annual Seminar in Cognitive Science, May 4-5, Banff, Canada.

Mou, W., & **Zhou, R.** (2012). Defining a boundary in goal localization: infinite number of points or extended surfaces. Psychonomic Society's 53rd annual conference, Nov. 15-18, Minneapolis, MN.

Zhou, R., & Mou, W. (2012). Breaking the dichotomy: A discrete object array can also help from a boundary-like representation. 26th Annual Joseph R. Royce Research Conference, Edmonton, Canada.

Teaching Experience

2015.07 - 2015.08 Course Instructor for Cognitive Psychology at University of Alberta

Professional skills

SPSS

Worldviz Vizard (python)

Basic Matlab

Honors and Awards

- 2015 The FGSR Travel Award from the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research,
University of Alberta
- 2015 Graduate Students' Association Professional Development Award,
University of Alberta
- 2015 The Douglas Grant Travel Award from Department of Psychology,
University of Alberta
- 2013 The W. Frank Epling Graduate Travel Award from Department of
Psychology, University of Alberta
- 2011 University of Alberta Doctoral Scholarship
- 2008-2009 East China Normal University Third Prize for Outstanding Student
Scholarship
- 2007-2008 East China Normal University Third Prize for Outstanding Student
Scholarship
- 2006-2007 East China Normal University Second Prize for Outstanding Student
Scholarship

Administrative Activities

- 2014-2015 Coordinator of Cognition Seminar at Department of Psychology, University of
Alberta
- 2014-2015 Department Councilor at Graduate Student Association, University of Alberta

2013-2014 VP Internal/External, The University of Alberta Graduate Psychology Association,
Department of Psychology, University of Alberta

2012-2013 Committee member, 27th Annual Joseph R. Royce Research Conference,
Department of Psychology, University of Alberta

2011-2012 Committee member, Psychoquium, Department of Psychology, University of
Alberta