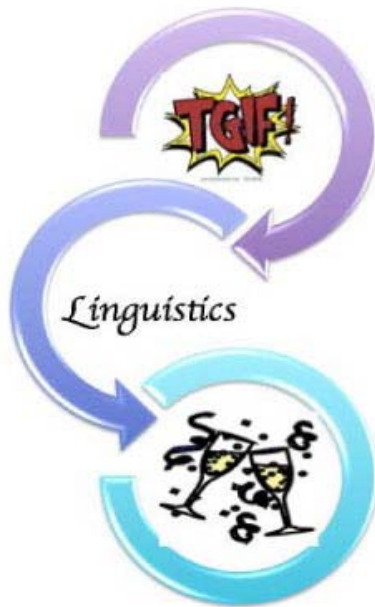


# TGIF: The NTU Linguist Chatroom

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**Friday 22 May 2015, 2.30pm**  
**@ HSS Seminar Room 3 (HSS-B1-10)**

## Speaker

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## How emotional are you? A survey of emotion type and intensity of Chinese emotion words

Despite the increasing interest in Chinese emotion word studies, a fundamental problem in the field is the lack of reliable ratings of emotional content of Chinese emotion words. This talk reports a large-scale online survey of average language users' judgment of perceived emotion type (e.g., HAPPINESS, ANGER) and emotional intensity of Chinese emotion words. Furthermore, the study also examined lexical variation by comparing emotion word perception by Chinese speakers from three different areas (Mainland China, Hong Kong, and Singapore). The results of this study reveal differences from previous studies and will serve as a reference for future research on language and emotion.

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