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EDUCATION

International Max Planck Research Schools Fellowship, Germany

Oct 2020 — Present PhD candidate, Max Planck Institute for Human Cognitive and Brain Sciences — Top Candidate
Dec 2020 — Present Visiting Researcher, Max Planck Institute for Empirical Aesthetics

[Gap is due to serving the compulsory Korean military duties for two years]

Goldsmiths College, University of London, UK

Oct 2017 — Oct 2018 MSc Music, Mind and Brain — Distinction
Oct 2013 — Sep 2017 BMus Popular Music — First Class Honours

Richard Huish College, UK

Oct 2011 — Jul 2013 A-levels: Mathematics, Physics, Music Technology — A* A* A

Other TSE Summer School in Quantitative Social Sciences (2024), Diverse Intelligence Summer Institute Fellow (2022), Neuromatch Academy Summer School (2020)

PUBLICATIONS

† Joint First Authorship; *Joint Senior/Last Authorship

In Review & Preprints **Lee, H.**, Jacoby, N., Hennequin, R.* & Moussallam, M.* (2024). Why cities vary in their cultural diversity. In review; Preprint <https://doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/73kyf>

Lee, H.†, Anglada-Tort, M.†, Sobchuk, O., Rijn, P. van, Schönwiesner, M., Tchernichovski, O.*, Park, M.*, & Jacoby, N.* (2024). Rapid reshaping of cultural boundaries during war across 1,423 cities. In review; Preprint <https://doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/7b98u>

van Rijn, P., Sun, Y., **Lee, H.**, Marjeh, R., Sucholutsky, I., Lanzarini, F., André, E., Jacoby, N. Evaluating Language Proficiency in 35 languages across 35 countries. In review; Preprint <https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2302.01614>

Marjeh, R., Rijn, P. van, Sucholutsky, I., **Lee, H.**, Jacoby, N., & Griffiths, T. L. (2024). Characterizing the large-scale structure of grounded semantic networks. In review; Preprint <https://doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/phte5>

Lee, H., Sguerra, B., Moussallam, M., Jacoby, N., Hennequin, R. Regional spread dynamics predict song success. Draft available.

Lee, D., Lee, M., **Lee, H.**, Kim, D., Jung, D. Understanding era gap between the US and Korean music charts using music CNN. Draft available.

Ref. Journal Articles & Archival Conf. Proc Marjeh, R., van Rijn, P., Sucholutsky, I., **Lee, H.**, Griffiths, T. L., & Jacoby, N. (2024). A Rational Analysis of the Speech-to-Song Illusion. *Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society (CogSci 2024)*. <https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2402.06992>

Marjeh, R. [†], Harrison, P. M. C. [†], **Lee, H.**, Deligiannaki, F., Jacoby, N. (2024). Timbral effects on consonance disentangle psychoacoustic mechanisms and suggest perceptual origins for musical scales. *Nature Communications*, 15(1), 1482. <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-024-45812-z>

Lee, H., Hennequin, H., & Moussallam, M. (2023). Understanding individual and collective diversity of cultural consumption through large-scale of music listening events. *Computational Humanities Research Conference (CHR 2023)*. — Best Paper Award. <https://ceur-ws.org/Vol-3558/paper3539.pdf>

Anglada-Tort, M., **Lee, H.**, Krause, A. E., & North, A. C. (2023). Here comes the sun: Music features of popular songs reflect prevailing weather conditions. *Royal Society Open Science*, 10(5), 221443. <https://doi.org/10.1098/rsos.221443>

van Rijn, P., Sun, Y., **Lee, H.**, Marjeh, R., Sucholutsky, I., Lanzarini, F., André, E., & Jacoby, N. (2023). Around the world in 60 words: A generative vocabulary test for online research. *Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society (CogSci 2023)*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cub.2023.02.070>

Anglada-Tort, M., Harrison, P. M. C., **Lee, H.**, & Jacoby, N. (2023). Large-scale iterated singing experiments reveal oral transmission mechanisms underlying music evolution. *Current Biology*, 0(0). <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cub.2023.02.070>

Marjeh, R. [†], Rijn, P. V. [†], Sucholutsky, I. [†], Sumers, T., **Lee, H.**, Griffiths, T. L. ^{*}, & Jacoby, N. ^{*} (2023). Words are all you need? Language as an approximation for human similarity judgments. *International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR 2023)*. <https://openreview.net/forum?id=O-G91-4cMdv>

van Rijn, P. [†], **Lee, H.** [†], & Jacoby, N. (2022). Bridging the prosody GAP: Genetic Algorithm with People to efficiently sample emotional prosody. *Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society (CogSci 2022)*. <https://escholarship.org/uc/item/59q714w6>

Lee, H., Hoeger, F., Schoenwiesner, M., Park, M., & Jacoby, N. (2021). Cross-cultural mood perception in pop songs and its alignment with mood detection algorithms. *International Society for Music Information Retrieval Conference (ISMIR 2021)*, 366–373. — Nomination for Best Paper Award. <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.5625680>

Lee, H., Launay, J., & Stewart, L. (2020). Signals through music and dance: Perceived social bonds and formidability on collective movement. *Acta Psychologica*, 208, 103093. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.actpsy.2020.103093>

Lee, H., & Müllensiefen, D. (2020). The Timbre Perception Test (TPT): A new interactive musical assessment tool to measure timbre perception ability. *Attention, Perception, and Psychophysics*, 82(7), 3658–3675. <https://doi.org/10.3758/s13414-020-02058-3>

In Preparation **Lee, H.**, Anglada-Tort, M., Park, M. ^{*}, Schönwiesner, M. ^{*}, Jacoby, M. ^{*} Global melody and rhythm suggest independent cultural clusters.

Lee, H., Schönwiesner, M. ^{*}, Jacoby, M. ^{*}, Park, M. ^{*}. GlobalPOP: convergent and divergent patterns in evolution of popular music across 55 countries since the 1950s.

Youngblood, M., **Lee, H.** Frequency-dependent selection in music listening and the influence of algorithmic recommendations.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES & ACTIVITIES

- Research Intern **Deezer Research**, Paris, France
May 2023 — Nov 2023 *Self-led project on understanding diversity in music listening.*
- Program Committee Co-chair in Music — ISMIR 2025
- External Reviewer Journals: *Transactions of the International Society of Music Information Retrieval (TISMIR)*,
Humanities and Social Sciences Communications, *Psychology of Music*
- Co-founder *aiar* collective, bridging neuroscience with music performance — www.aiarcollective.com

AWARDS & HONOURS

- 2024 **Best Student Presentation Award**, Cultural Evolution Society Conf. (CES)
- 2023 **Best Paper Award**, Computational Humanities Research Conf. (CHR)
- 2023 **Nomination for Young Researcher Award**, Intl. Conf. on Music Perception and Cognition (ICMPC)
- 2023 **Travel Grant**, Intl. Conf. on Music Perception and Cognition (ICMPC) — \$500
- 2022 **Scientific Research Fellow**, Diverse Intelligence Summer Institute (DISI) — \$3,000
- 2022 **Art Grant** — Interactive Music Performance Using EEG, Leipzig City Council — €9,500
- 2021 **Nomination for Best Student Paper**, Intl. Soc. of Music Information Retrieval (ISMIR)
- 2021 **Nomination for Best Student Paper**, Intl. Conf. on Music Perception and Cognition (ICMPC)
- 2017 **Academic Excellence Scholarship**, Goldsmiths College — £3,000
- 2016 **Joe Brown Memorial Scholarship**, Music Department, Goldsmiths College — £500

INVITED TALKS

- 2024 **Music Cognition Lab, Princeton University, US**
Global melody and rhythm reveal independent cultural clusters
- 2024 **Music Department, Durham University, UK**
Big data on music, implications and future outlooks
- 2024 **AI Robotics Group, KIST Korea Institute of Science and Technology, S. Korea**
Mechanisms of cultural spread and diversity through individual and population-level music patterns
- 2023 **Cognitive Ethnomusicology Special Interest Group, Bates College, US**
Global Pop: Studying the evolution of pop music across 51 countries since the 1950s
- 2023 **Evolution & Social Cognition Group, Ecole Normale Supérieure, France**
Understanding cultural diversity and spread through large-scale music listening behaviour
- 2022 **CompMusic Lab, Keio University, Japan**
Cross-cultural mood perception in pop songs and its alignment with algorithmic estimates
- 2022 **Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Germany**
GlobalPOP: Studying the evolution of pop music across 51 countries since the 1950s
- 2022 **Deezer Research, France**
GlobalPOP: Investigating the historical trajectories of popular music around the world

2022 **Brain Awareness Week Leipzig**, Germany

Without a song or a dance what are we?: Origins of music and how our musical perception is shaped by culture

CONFERENCES

- 2024 **Oral** – Cultural Evolution Society (CES), Durham, UK
- 2024 **Oral** – International Association of Empirical Aesthetics (IAEA), Mallorca, Spain
- 2023 **Oral** – Computational Humanities Research Conference (CHR), Paris, France
- 2023 **Oral** – 17th International Conference on Music Perception and Cognition (ICMPC), Tokyo, Japan
- 2022 **Oral** – Cultural Evolution Society (CES), Aarhus, Denmark
- 2022 **Oral** – Systematic Musicology (SysMus), Ghent, Belgium
- 2022 **Oral & Poster** – Cognitive Science Society Annual Meeting (CogSci), Toronto, Canada
- 2021 **Oral** – 22nd International Society for Music Information Retrieval Conference (ISMIR), Virtual
- 2021 **Oral** – 16th International Conference on Music Perception and Cognition (ICMPC), Virtual
- 2020 **Poster** – Timbre 2020, Virtual
- 2019 **Oral** – Conference on Interdisciplinary Musicology Embodiment Music, Graz, Austria
- 2019 **Poster** – Forum IRCAM Annual Workshop, Paris, France

PRESS HIGHLIGHTS

- 2024 **New Scientist** – ‘Pythagoras was wrong about the maths behind pleasant music’
- 2023 **BBC** – ‘Have your say: Does the weather influence the music you listen to?’
- 2023 **PhysOrg** – ‘New research shows how cultural transmission shapes the evolution of music’

TEACHING

- 2024 **Department of Sociology, Seoul National University**
Invited lecturer for 2-hour class on computational social science
- 2021 **Department of Life Science, Leipzig University**
Seminar on deploying massive online experiments using PsyNet

SKILLS

Language & Software R, Python, SQL, Google BigQuery, AWS, HPC Computing, Gephi, Max MSP

Development Author of **tptR** R package (<https://github.com/harin-git/tptR>)
Psychoacoustic experiments run on R to determine interindividual differences in timbre perception

Contributed to **PsyNet** (www.psy.net.dev)
A platform for running large-scale online behavioural experiments enabling complex paradigms

Open Science I publish all my working analysis code and data on OSF (<https://osf.io/ecrhs>) and GitHub (<https://github.com/harin-git>)

LIFE OUTSIDE ACADEMIA

Outside academia, I enjoy reading books in the park, playing tennis, and making music. I used to work as a part-time DJ, playing in major venues around London. I released two electronic pop music albums, which are available on major streaming platforms ('Youth' by Harin; 'In Dreams' by Computer Hope). During my undergraduate, I founded an online start-up called 'KCOS', a website that features a wide range of Korean cosmetic products for overseas purchase, linking UK customers directly to Korean sellers.