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支謙譯《佛說維摩詰經》呼語語序及其標點

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摘 要

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Constituent Order of Vocative Expression and Its Punctuation in Vimalakīrtinirdeša Sūtra of Zhi Qian's Translation Version

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Abstract

Constituent order of vocative expression is one of the significant differences between Sanskrit and Chinese: Sanskrit allows the vocative expression to be placed in the middle of a sentence, while Chinese does not. The translators in old translation standard used to literally translate the original texts (so-called calques or loan translation) into Chinese-translated Buddhist scriptures. As the result, those works in old translation standard often appeared that these vocative expressions were placed in the middle of sentences, and Vimalakīrtinirdeśa sūtra by Zhi Qian in Eastern Wu of the Three-kingdom Dynasty made no exception. This situation made it not easy to add new punctuation marks for those works, and adding ways varied, and even punctuation errors occurred occasionally. However, the main purpose to punctuate ancient books was to help readers understand the text. Therefore, exemplifying Vimalakīrtinirdeśa sūtra of Zhi Qian's translation version, this article closely collates and induces of all possible positions of these vocative expressions in the linear constituent order, and according to the different positions of them in

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sentences, the corresponding punctuation method is proposed, then furtherly expects to provide the reference for later people to punctuate Chinese-translated Buddhist scriptures. These positions of the vocative expression in sentences in *Vimalakīrtinirdeśa sūtra* of Zhi Qian's translation version can be summarized as: before the subject, between the subject and the predicate, and after the predicate. As the aspect of punctuating methods, the three types mentioned above are inconsistent with the inherent constituent order of Chinese, and all of them can be punctuated by"— appellation! —"; the others which are consistent with the inherent constituent order in Chinese can be marked by "!". In addition, the punctuating errors caused by the ignorance of the vocative expression insertion are clearly indicated, and the past punctuating methods are corrected without changing the sentences and constituent orders.

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