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## Education

**B.S. in Computer Science (Data Science Track), Fudan University, Shanghai** 2015.09 - Present

- Overall GPA: 3.67/4.0, Rank: 3/41.
- Key Awards: • Shanghai Government Scholarship (1/117) • Excellent Student Award (2/117).
- Core Courses: • Mathematical Analysis (4.0) • Linear Algebra (4.0) • Set Theory and Graph Theory(3.7) • C Language Programming (4.0) • Introduction to Database System (4.0) • Computer System II (4.0) • Analog Electronics (4.0) • Digital Logic and Component (4.0) • Data Visualization (4.0) • Big Data Analytics (4.0)
- Others: Selected into Elite Project (Talent training project in CS School for top 40 from 85 students.).

**Exchange Student, National University of Singapore (NUS), Singapore** 2017.08 – 2017.12

- Experience: Studied for 3 courses and worked in NUS Lab for Media Search (LMS Lab) with two papers accepted by SIGIR 2018 and TKDE 2018, respectively.
- Award: 2017 Oriental CJ Scholarship (less than 9% of exchange students from Fudan University).

## Publication

- MEAL: Multi-Model Ensemble via Adversarial Learning**  
Zhiqiang Shen\*, **Zhankui He**\*, Xiangyang Xue  
AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligencee (AAAI) 2019
- Adversarial Personalized Ranking for Recommendation**  
Xiangnan He, **Zhankui He**, Xiaoyu Du, Tat-Seng Chua  
ACM Special Interest Group on Information Retrieval (SIGIR) 2018
- NAIS: Neural Attentive Item Similarity Model for Recommendation**  
Xiangnan He, **Zhankui He**, Jingkuan Song, Zhenguang Liu, Yu-Gang Jiang & Tat-Seng Chua  
IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering (TKDE) 2018
- PHAT+G: Personalized neural Hashtag recommendation Approach based on Text and Graph**  
Amin javari, **Zhankui He**\*, Zijie Huang\*, Kevin Chen-Chuan Chang  
Submitted to The Web Conference(WWW) 2019  
\* Equal contribution to this paper.

## Research Experience

**Adversarial Learning for Recommendation System** | Research Assistant **Singapore**

Mentor: **Xiangnan He**, Senior Research Fellow, LMS Lab, NUS

Advisor: **Tat-Seng Chua**, Chair Professor, LMS Lab, NUS 2017.09 – 2018.01

- Realized three state-of-the-art user-based recommendation system models via TensorFlow.
- Finished preliminary experiments by comparing adversarial noise with random noise, demonstrating that traditional models like MF can be improved by enhancing their *robustness to adversarial noise attack*.
- To find out the effectiveness of our *adversarial learning approach* (named APR), designed a series of experiments of APR on traditional models like MF and finally *improved the HR and NDCG by at least 9%* compared with traditional models.
- Contributed to a second-author paper which has been accepted by **SIGIR 2018**.

**Neural Attentive Item Similarity Model for Recommendation** | Research Assistant **Singapore**

Mentor: **Xiangnan He**, Senior Research Fellow, LMS Lab, NUS

Advisor: **Tat-Seng Chua**, Chair Professor, LMS Lab, NUS 2017.07 – 2017.11

- Reproduced classic *item-based Factored Item Similarity Model (FISM)* via TensorFlow.
- Implemented an item-based model based on FISM with attention neural network.

- *Extended standard attention* by adding a parameter on denominator of softmax considering the influence of item quantity, which *improved performance on benchmark datasets by almost 5%*.
- Contributed to a second-author paper which was accepted by **TKDE 2018**.

**MEAL: Multi-Model Ensemble via Adversarial Learning** | Research Assistant      **China & USA**  
 Advisor: *Xiangyang Xue, Professor & Vice Dean, School of Computer Science in Fudan*      2018.03 - 2018.09

- Proposed a novel approach about multiple base-level networks ensemble with techniques in *Knowledge Transfer*, to *improve the performance* and *reduce the expensive cost* on space and time at test-time.
- Applied our MEAL on Image Classification, implemented experiments on CIFAR, SVHN and ImageNet.
- Achieved the improvement by about 2.2% on *Imagenet* compared with traditional ensemble model, with *no more space or time requirement* than a single base-level network.
- Contributed to a joint-first-author paper which was accepted by **AAAI 2019**.

**Hashtag Recommendation in Twitter with Friends Information** | Summer Intern      **USA**  
 Advisor: *Kevin Chen-Chuan Chang, Professor, Dataforward Lab, UIUC*      2018.07 - Present

- Formulated an innovative task about *Hashtag Recommendation for users given their profile information*. Constructed and released *two datasets for these tasks* to benefit the community.
- Demonstrated the effectiveness of profile information by *adding friends information to traditional models*, which achieved over 20% improvement compared with the text-only state-of-the-art models.
- Inspired by *supervised attention* in Computer Vision, proposed a novel *supervised attention mechanism* to model friends information and *achieved over 7% improvement in experiments*.
- Explored new methods of combining the friend-only model with the tweet-only model, considering the limitations of mapping heterogeneous information into common embedding space.
- Contributed to a second-author paper which was submitted to **WWW 2019**.

## Working Experience

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**CitoryTech Ltd. (An AI start-up by 3 MIT and Harvard alumni)** | Algorithm Intern      **China**  
 Supervisor: *Liu Liu, CEO & Co-founder of CitoryTech Ltd*      2017.12 - 2018.04

- Implemented state-of-the-art image segmentation models such as *U-net* for *Satellite Imagery Segmentation*.
- Contributed to *CityFace, a Street Perception Evaluation System* by computing the objects information of over 10,000,000 Street View images in about 300 cities in China via Deep Learning algorithms like *MaskRCNN*.
- Constructed Deep Learning networks of Scene Recognition for *StreetTalk, a Navigation Application with Augmented Reality*, which has been selected into *MIT's Future City Innovation Connector Project*.

## Honor & Award

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- **2016 Shanghai Government Scholarship** (1/117 in Computer Science School, Fudan University)
- **2016 Fudan Excellent Student** (2/117 in Computer Science School, Fudan University)
- **2017 Oriental CJ Scholarship** (less than 9% of exchange students from Fudan University)
- **2018 Fudan Excellent Student** (2/41 in Data Science School, Fudan University)
- **2016 Fudan University Hackthon InnorSpring Prize** (top 9 among 55 groups)
- **2017 Computer Science Elite Project Scholarship** (a research grant for students in Elite Project)

## Skill & Interest

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- **Programming Languages:** Python, Matlab, C/C++, Bash
- **Language:** Mandarin Chinese (Native), English (Fluent)
- **Interests:** Table Tennis, Swimming, Music