Ashley G. Zhang

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Human-Computer Interaction; Programming Support; Visualization; Learning at Scale

EDUCATION

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Ph.D. in Information Science 2021.09-present

Advisor: Steve Oney

Peking University

B.S. in Intelligence Science 2016.09-2021.07

PUBLICATIONS

1. Ashley G. Zhang, Mike Merrill*, Yang Liu, Jeffrey Heer, Tim Althof

CORAL: COde RepresentAtion Learning with Weakly-Supervised Transformers for Analyzing Data Analysis

EPJ Data Science, 2022

2. Mike Merrill, **Ashley G. Zhang** and Tim Althoff

Mining Collective Data Science Knowledge from Code on the Web to Suggest Alternative Data Analysis Approaches

Proceedings of the 27th ACM SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery & Data Mining, 2021

EXPERIENCE

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

MI, United States

Graduate student and researcher

2021.09-present

Advised by Prof. Steve Oney, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Designed and developed tools to support effective communication about code.

Peking University

Beijing, China

Researcher 2020.09-2021.05

Advised by Prof. Tao Xie, Peking University

University of Washington, Seattle

WA, United States

Remote visiting student

2020.07-2021.02

Advised by Prof. Amy X. Zhang, University of Washington, Seattle

Designed a computational notebook branching tool to support data science collaboration.

University of Washington, Seattle

WA, United States

Visiting student

2019.09-2019.12

Advised by Prof. Tim Althoff, University of Washington, Seattle

Built a machine learning model to analyze data analysis behavior extracted from computational notebooks. Built a machine learning model to support decision making and alternative suggestion in multiverse analysis for

robust data science.

OPEN-SOURCED PROJECTS

• CORAL: COde Representation Learning for Analyzing Data Analysis https://github.com/behavioral-data/CORAL Autumn, 2019

AWARDS

- People's Choice Prize, Google Girls' Hackathon (as team leader), 2019
- 2nd Prize of ACM Competition, Peking University, 2017

SKILLS

- Interview, Thematic Analysis, Grounded Theory
- Survey Design, Experimental Design, Statistical Modeling, Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing
- Python, JavaScript/TypeScript, HTML&CSS, React