Minqian Liu

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EDUCATION

South China University of Technology (SCUT)

Guangzhou, China

Candidate for B.Eng. in Computer Science and Technology

Sept. 2017-Jul. 2021 (expected)

- School of Computer Science and Engineering, GPA: 3.73/4.00 [transcript]
- Core Courses: Probability & Mathematical Statistics (93/100), Python Language Programming (89/100),
 Data Structures (94/100), Computer Organization & Architecture (92/100),
 Database System (91/100),
 Numerical Methods (92/100),
 Introduction to Pattern Recognition (92/100)

University of California, Berkeley

Berkeley, USA

Visiting student

Ian. 2019-May 2019

- Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences, GPA: 3.67/4.00 [transcript]
- **Courses:** Discrete Mathematics and Probability Theory (A), Introduction to Artificial Intelligence (A-), Efficient Algorithms and Intractable Problems (B+), Introduction to Machine Learning (audited)

PUBLICATIONS & MANUSCRIPTS

Dynamic Extension Nets for Few-shot Semantic Segmentation

- o Lizhao Liu*, Junyi Cao*, Minqian Liu*, Yong Guo*, Qi Chen*(equal contribution), Mingkui Tan.
- o In Proceedings of the 28th ACM International Conference on Multimedia, 2020. [paper][code]

Co-attention Network with Label Embedding for Text Classification

- o Minqian Liu, Lizhao Liu, Junyi Cao, Qing Du.
- o Under review at Neurocomputing, 2020.

Progressive Dialogue State Tracking for Multi-domain Dialogue Systems

- o Jiahao Wang, **Mingian Liu**, Xiaojun Quan.
- o Under review at 2021 IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP).

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Dialogue State Tracking for Medical Consultation Related to COVID-19

Advisor: Prof. Pengtao Xie, University of California, San Diego (Online)

Jul. 2020-Sept. 2020

- o Incorporated dialogue state tracking (DST) into a medical dialogue system that provides consultations related to COVID-19, which aims to alleviate the shortage of medical professionals.
- Constructed a DST dataset and designed its ontology based on relevant medical knowledge, e.g., the symptoms and diagnosis of pneumonia, the prescriptions and suggestions from doctors, etc.
- o Annotated the dialogues by filling the golden value in each pre-defined slot. Dataset is available here.

Dynamic Extension Nets for Few-shot Semantic Segmentation

Advisor: Prof. Mingkui Tan, SCUT Machine Intelligence Lab, SCUT

Dec. 2019-Jul. 2020

- o Proposed a Dynamic Extension Network that dynamically constructs and maintains a classifier for the novel class by leveraging the knowledge from the base class and the information from novel data.
- o Proposed a Guided Attention Module to focus on class-relevant content in the image, and a dynamic extension training algorithm to exploit the knowledge of base classes in an end-to-end manner.
- o Conducted extensive experiments to demonstrate the superiority of the proposed method. Achieved state-of-the-art performance on two few-shot semantic segmentation datasets.
- Wrote the paper as co-first author, which is presented as a full paper at ACM Multimedia 2020.

Co-attention Network with Label Embedding for Text Classification

Advisor: Prof. Mingkui Tan and Prof. Qing Du, SCUT Machine Intelligence Lab, SCUT Dec. 2019-May 2020

- Proposed a co-attention network that jointly encodes the word sequence and label embedding for text classification to attend to the relevant parts of text and labels.
- o Conducted a series of experiments to demonstrate the effectiveness of the proposed method.
- Wrote the paper as first author, which is under review at *Neurocomputing*.

Progressive Dialogue State Tracking for Multi-domain Dialogue Systems

Advisor: Prof. Xiaojun Quan, Sun Yat-sen University

May 2019-Oct. 2019

- o Formalized two important observations in dialogue state tracking: accumulating state triples and adjacent state dependencies. Proposed a progressive domain-slot tracker accordingly.
- Designed experiments to evaluate the proposed method and wrote the paper as second author, which is under review at *ICASSP* 2021.

Deep Reinforcement Learning under Adversarial Environment

Advisor: Prof. Patrick P. K. Chan, SCUT

Apr. 2019-Mar. 2020

 Read papers on the robustness and security of Deep Q-Learning Network (DQN) under the adversarial environment. Conducted experiments and wrote technical reports.

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

AI Interviewer: Automatic Evaluation System for Interview

Advisor: Prof. Jianming Lv, SCUT

May 2019-Apr. 2020

- o Proposed hierarchical keyword-question attention to score interviewees' personality traits.
- o Developed a system that evaluates the performance of interviewees based on face-api.js.

Natural Language Processing with Deep Learning

Advisor: Prof. Christopher Manning, Stanford University (Online)

Jun. 2019-Aug.2019

 Online curriculum projects and assignments including word vectors, dependency parsing, and neural machine translation. Code is available here.

Artificial Intelligence

Advisor: Prof. Stuart Russell and Prof. Sergey Levine, UC Berkeley

Jan. 2019-May 2019

- o Curriculum projects of the course Introduction to Artificial Intelligence.
- o Implemented algorithms including multi-agent search algorithms, game tree, reinforcement learning, probabilistic graphical models, and perceptron algorithm. Code is available here.

Efficient Algorithm

Advisor: Prof. Luca Trevisan and Prof. Prasad Raghavendra, UC Berkeley

Jan. 2019-May 2019

- o Final project of the course Efficient Algorithm and Intractable Problems.
- Designed algorithms (e.g., variants of minimum spanning tree) to achieve specified goals within several constraints. Design document and code are available here.

HONORS & AWARDS

- Saliai Technology Innovation Scholarship (Top 10% in Computer Science Department), SCUT. 2020.
- o Second Prize Scholarship (Top 15% in Computer Science Department), SCUT. 2018.

SKILLS

- o Language Skills: English (Fluent; IELTS 7), Chinese (Native)
- o **Programming Skills**: Python, C/C++, PyTorch, TensorFlow, LaTex (Skilled); Java, MATLAB, R (Basic)