# Xisen Jin

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University of Southern California, Los Angeles, US

RESEARCH INTERESTS

# **Natural Language Processing**

# Machine Learning

• Fairness, Interpretability, Continual Learning

### **EDUCATION**

# University of Southern California, Los Angeles, US

- Ph.D. student in Computer Science, From Aug. 2019
- Advisor: Dr. Xiang Ren

# Fudan University, Shanghai, China

• B.S. in Computer Science (Honored program), From Sep. 2015 to Jul. 2019

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• GPA: 3.75 / 4.00, Ranking: 1 / 117

# National University of Singapore, Singapore

- Non-graduating Exchange Student, From Aug. 2017 to Dec. 2017
- GPA: 5.00 / 5.00

#### **Publications**

- 1. **Xisen Jin**, Junyi Du, Arka Sadhu, Ram Nevatia and Xiang Ren. Visually Grounded Continual Learning of Compositional Phrases. *Continual Learning Workshop@ICML 2020*.
- 2. **Xisen Jin**, Junyi Du, and Xiang Ren. Gradient Based Memory Editing for Task-Free Continual Learning. 4th Lifelong Learning Workshop@ICML 2020.
- 3. Brendan Kennedy, **Xisen Jin**, Aida Mostafazadeh Davani, Morteza Dehghani, and Xiang Ren. Contextualizing hate speech classifiers with post-hoc explanation. *ACL* 2020, Short Paper.
- 4. **Xisen Jin**, Junyi Du, Zhongyu Wei, Xiangyang Xue and Xiang Ren. Towards Hierarchical Importance Attribution: Explaining Compositional Semantics for Neural Sequence Models, *ICLR 2020*, Spotlight.
- Xisen Jin, Wenqiang Lei, Zhaochun Ren, Hongshen Chen, Shangsong Liang, Yihong Zhao and Dawei Yin. Explicit State Tracking with Semi-supervision for Neural Dialogue Generation, CIKM 2018, Full paper.
- Wenqiang Lei, Xisen Jin, Zhaochun Ren, Xiangnan He, Min-Yen Kan and Dawei Yin. Sequicity: Simplifying Task-oriented Dialogue Systems with Single Sequenceto-Sequence Architectures. ACL 2018. Full paper.

# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

# Snap Inc., Los Angeles, US

Research Intern, From May. 2020 to Aug. 2020

• Advisor: Dr. Francesco Barbieri, Leonardo Neves

# Microsoft Research Asia, Beijing, China

Research Intern, Natural Language Computing group, From Jul. 2018 to Oct. 2018

• Advisor: Dr. Nan Duan, Dr. Ming Zhou

• Research on retrieval-enhanced dialogue generation models.

# Data Science Lab, JD.com, Beijing, China

Research Intern, From Dec. 2017 to Feb. 2018

- Advisor: Dr. Zhaochun Ren, Dr. Dawei Yin
- Research on semi-supervised and unsupervised state tracking for dialogue systems.
  Experimented on real JD.com customer service corpus and several crowd-sourced corpora.
  Research paper published at CIKM 2018.

# Web Information Retrieval / Natural Language Processing Group (WING), National University of Singapore

Research Assistant, From Aug. 2017 to Dec. 2017

- Advisor: Prof. Min-Yen Kan
- Research on designing a simple framework for task-oriented dialogue system pipeline and improving out-of-vocabulary capability of models. Research paper published at ACL 2018.

# Natural Language Processing Group, School of Data Science, Fudan University

Research Assistant, From Oct. 2016 to Jul. 2019

- Advisor: Prof. Zhongyu Wei
- Research on hierarchical explanation of neural network predictions.
- Research on text-based neural generative and discriminative speaker classifiers. Completed a funded undergraduate research project.

# SELECTED SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Annenberg Fellowship, University of Southern California, 2019
- Honored Student of Computer Science Elite Program, Fudan University, 2019
- SIGIR Student Travel Grant, 2018
- Chinese National Scholarship, 2017
- First Prize, Fudan Scholarship for computer science elite program, 2017
- Chinese National Scholarship, 2016