# Boyuan Pan

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#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

The general areas and applications of machine learning and natural language processing (NLP), especially the recent developments in transfer learning, common sense reasoning, reinforcement learning and adversarial learning to work towards the goal of the combination of language understanding and generation.

## **EDUCATION**

Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China

Ph.D. (expected June 2021) in Computer Science

Advisers: Prof. Xiaofei He & Prof. Deng Cai

Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China

09/2012 - 06/2016

**B.S.** in Mathematics and Applied Mathematics, GPA: 3.87/4

08/2014 - 09/2014

Summer Courses: Film Making & Economics

## **EXPERIENCES**

Visiting Scholar 10/2019 – present

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (UIUC), Urbana, USA

Advisor: Prof. Bo Li

UCLA, Los Angeles, USA

• Projects related to automatic question and answering and analyzing the robustness of such systems.

**Research Intern** 06/2019 - 09/2019

Alibaba DAMO Academy, Hangzhou, China

• Project of the Artificial Intelligence Center-City Brain.

Visiting Scholar 11/2018 - 05/2019

Ohio State University (OSU), Columbus, USA

Advisor: Prof. Huan Sun

• Projects of conversation question answering and conversation question generation.

**Research Intern** 11/2016 - 09/2017

Eigen Technology, Hangzhou, China

- Project of machine reading comprehension.
- Achievement: Rank #2 of the Stanford Question Answering Dataset (SQuAD) leaderboard (Model's name: MEMEN).

# **HONORS & AWARDS**

ZJU Academic Rising Star (Top 1%)	2019
National Scholarship (Top 3%)	2019
He Zhijun Fellowship (Top 1%)	2019

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

**Boyuan Pan**, Hao Li, Ziyu Yao, Deng Cai, Huan Sun. "Reinforced Dynamic Reasoning for Conversational Question Generation." In *Proceedings of the 57th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics*. (ACL 2019)

**Boyuan Pan**, Yazheng Yang, Hao Li, Zhou Zhao, Yueting Zhuang, Deng Cai, Xiaofei He. "MacNet: Transferring Knowledge from Machine Comprehension to Sequence-to-Sequence Models." In *Thirty-second Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems*. (**NeurIPS 2018**)

Boyuan Pan, Yazheng Yang, Zhou Zhao, Yueting Zhuang, Deng Cai, Xiaofei He. "Discourse Marker Augmented Network with Reinforcement Learning for Natural Language Inference." In Proceedings of the 56th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics. (ACL 2018)(Oral)

**Boyuan Pan**, Hao Li, Zhou Zhao, Bin Cao, Deng Cai, Xiaofei He. "MEMEN: Multi-layer Embedding with Memory Networks for Machine Comprehension." In *arXiv preprint arXiv:1707.09098*, 2017.

Xin Guo, **Boyuan Pan**, Deng Cai, Xiaofei He. "Robust Asymmetric Bayesian Adaptive Matrix Factorization." In *Proceedings of the 26th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence*. (IJCAI 2017)

### INVITED TALKS

**September 2019:** The second China Symposium on Cognitive Computing and Hybrid Intelligence (CCHI 2019), Xi'an, China.

June 2019: "Deep learning and transfer learning on natural language generation", Alibaba Group, Hanghou, China.

**November 2018:** The 16th China Symposium on Machine Learning Applications (MLA 2018), Nanjing, China.

#### PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Program Committee Member: AAAI (2018), ACL (2018, 2019), NeurIPS (2019)

Journal Reviewer: IEEE TNNLS