Du Yiming

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EDUCATION

The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Hong Kong, China

PhD: System Engineering and Engineering Management, Minor in Natural Language Processing

Aug. 2022 - Aug. 2026

Southeast University

Jiangsu, China

MEnq: Computer Science & Engineering, Minor in Natural Language Processing, TOP 10%

Aug. 2019 - June 2022

Southeast University

Jiangsu, China

BEng: Computer Science & Engineering, Minor in Software Engineering, TOP 30%

Aug. 2015 - May 2019

Core Course: Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Algorithm Analysis and Design, Natural Language Processing

Languages: Python, Java, C++, SQL, HTML/CSS

Libraries: Pytorch, NumPy

Research Experience

PhD student, Huawei&CUHK Laboratory, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Aug. 2022 - Now

Supervisor: Prof. Kam-Fai Wong

Hong Kong, China

Dialogue System: Designed human-like memory integration mechanisms leveraging LLMs with RAG architectures.

Visiting Researcher, Informatics Forum, The University of Edinburgh

Jan. 2025 - Now Edinburgh, UK

• Personal Agent: explore parametric memory and contextual memory in personal assistant.

Research Intern, Sensetime

Supervisor: Prof. Jeff Z. Pan

Aug. 2024 - Jan. 2025

Mentor: Fei Tan

Shenzhen, China

- Model Editing: Inserted industrial knowledge into the llama layer via WISE.
- Data Synthetic: Generated 3 trillion token Chain-of-Thought dataset improving LLaMA's performance.

Visiting Researcher, Noah's Ark Lab, Huawei

Aug. 2023 - Aug. 2024

Mentor: Baojun Wang

Hong Kong, China

• Memory in LLM Dialogue System: Spearheaded the creation of a memory-based LLM dialogue system with RAG framework and FAISS vector databases for optimized performance.

Research Assistant, Web Mining Lab, City University of Hong Kong

Aug. 2021 - Feb. 2022

Supervisor: Prof. Liu Xiaofan

Hong Kong, China

• Sentence Classification: Developed DPCIPI model based on DNABERT for viral gene similarity evaluation.

Research Experience, Imperial College London

June. 2021 - July. 2021

Supervisor: Prof. Lucia Specia

London, England

 Sentiment Classification: Analyzed news headline sentiment disparities using CNN and BERT on SemEval-2020 Task 1 dataset.

Master Student, Atur Lab, Southeast University

Mar. 2019 - Aug. 2022

Supervisor: Prof. Gao Zhiqiang

Nanjing, China

- Text Generation: Desiged middle representation language Pseudo-SQL and Soft Template attention to generate comparative questions.
- Name Entity Recognition: Recognized named entity with BERT in electronic medical records on CCKS2017 dataset

Selected Publications

- Yiming Du*, Wenyu Huang*, Danna Zheng*, Zhaowei Wang, Sebastien Montella, Mirella Lapata, Kam-Fai Wong, Jeff Z. Pan. Rethinking Memory in AI: Taxonomy, Operations, Topics, and Future Directions. arxiv version (to submit)
- Yiming Du*, Bingbing Wang*, Yang He, Bin Liang, Baojun Wang, Zhongyang Li, Lin Gui, Jeff Z. Pan, Ruifeng Xu, Kam-Fai Wong. Modeling Long-Term Memory for Multi-Session Task-Oriented Dialogue Systems via Memory-Active Policy. ARR, Feb 2025 ARR, Feb 2025 (under review)
- Yiming Du, Yifan Xiang, Bin Liang, Dahua Lin, Kam-Fai Wong, Fei Tan. TWiNS: An Implicit Noise Suppression Approach for Multi-Turn Dialogue Fine-Tuning. ARR, Feb 2025 (under review)

- Cai Ke, **Yiming Du**, Bin Liang, Xiang Yifan, Lin Gui, Zhongyang Li, Baojun Wang, Yue Yu, Hui Wang, Kam-Fai Wong, Ruifeng Xu. Flexibly Utilize Memory for Long-Term Conversation via a Fragment-then-Compose Framework. *ARR*, Feb 2025 (under review)
- Zhengyi Zhao*, Shubo Zhang*, Yiming Du, Bin Liang, Baojun Wang, Zhongyang Li, Binyang Li, Kam-Fai Wong.
 Fine-tuning after Prompting: an Explainable Way for Classification. ARR, Feb 2025 (under review)
- Boyang XUE, Hongru WANG, Rui Wang, Sheng Wang, Zezhong WANG, Yiming Du, Kam-Fai Wong. A Comprehensive Study of Multilingual Confidence Estimation on Large Language Models. ARR, Feb 2025 (under review)
- Bingbing Wang*, Yiming Du*, Bin Liang, Zhixin Bai, Baojun Wang, Ruifeng Xu, Kam-Fai Wong. A New Formula for Sticker Retrieval: Reply with Stickers in Multi-Modal and Multi-Session Conversation. AAAI 2024 (Accepted, co-first author)
- Yiming Du, Hongru Wang, Zhengyi Zhao, Bin Liang, Baojun Wang, Wanjun Zhong, Zezhong Wang, Kam-Fai Wong. PerLTQA: A Personal Long-Term Memory Dataset for Memory Classification, Retrieval, and Fusion in Question Answering. ACL SIGHAN 2024 (Best Paper)
- Hongru Wang*, Baohang Zhou*, Zhengkun Zhang, **Yiming Du**, David Ho, Kam-Fai Wong. M3SUM: A Novel Unsupervised Language-guided Video Summarization. *ICASSP 2024* (published)
- Hongru Wang, Lingzhi Wang, **Yiming Du**, Liang Chen, Jingyan Zhou, Yufei Wang, Kam-Fai Wong. A Survey of the Evolution of Language Model-Based Dialogue Systems. (under review)
- Zhiming Mao, Huimin Wang, Yiming Du, Kam-Fai Wong. UniTRec: A Unified Text-to-Text Transformer and Joint Contrastive. ACL 2023 (published)

PATENTS

A dialogue memory storage, extraction and electornical device.

Huawei, China

Baojun Wang, Yiming Du, Kam-Fai Wong

2024

PROJECTS

Human-like Memory Integration for Dialogue System | Python

Jan. 2023 – Jan. 2025

 Led the memory-based dialogue system demo development and organize research group meeting and conduct research related to memory.

Multi-model summarization system | Java, Python

Oct. 2022 – Oct. 2024

• Led the innovation and development of an advanced multi-modal summarization system, significantly enhancing the integration of audio, image, and text information through Large Language Models (LLM).

Software Engineering Intern, National Instruments

Oct. 2018 - Jan. 2019

• Refactored Compile Worker Module in LabView Software and redesigned the architecture to be more readable and improve maintainability.

HONORS AND AWARDS

ORAP	Hong Kong, China
Overseas Research Attachment Programme Awards	Jan. 2024
Excellent Scholarship	Jiangsu, China
Awarded by Shenzhen Stock Exchange, Southeast University, Huawei, Keyuan Automation separately	2020, 2019, 2018
First Place	Jiangsu, China
Jiangsu Postgraduate Mathematical Modeling Scientific Research Innovation Practice Competition	Apr. 2020
First Place	Shanghai, China
Chinese Undergraduate Computer Design Contest	Aug. 2018
Meritorious Winner	US
Mathematical Competition In Modeling	Apr. 2018

LEADERSHIP

MOE Lab, The Chinese University of Hong Kong | Project Leader

• Led development of a memory-augmented dialogue system, delivering both research outcomes and a dialogue system demo.

Atur Lab, Southeast University | Group Leader

• Organize the series of reports on Representation Learning with 5 group members, and I am responsible for designing the report scheme and quality control.

The School of Computer Science and Engineering, SEU| Forum Organizer

• Organize the 2021 academic forum at the School of Computer Science and Engineering, Southeast University, with topics including Artificial Intelligence, Image Processing, Software Engineering, Computer Network