Jiyang ZHANG

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EDUCATION

Electrical and Computer Engineering, The University of Texas at Austin

Sep.2019 - May.2021

Master of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering, tracked in Software Engineering

Honors College, Beihang University, China

Sep. 2015 – Jul. 2019

- Bachelor in Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning
- Overall GPA: 90.9/100 (3.86/4.0)
 Major GPA: 93.4/100 (3.96/4.0)

Core Courses: Digital Image Processing (100), Information Retrieval (95), Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning (94)

Department of Computer Science and Operations Research, University of Montreal, Canada

Sep. 2018 – Jan. 2019

University of Montreal Undergraduate Research Program (2 selected from 213), supervised by professor Jian-Yun Nie

School of Applied Science and Engineering, University of Toronto, Canada

Sep. 2017 – Dec 2017

- Exchange student major in Electrical & Computer Engineering
- Overall GPA: 4.0/4.0

Core Courses: Data Structure and Algorithm (A+), Programming Language (A), Dynamic Systems and Control (A+)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

Online Reweighting Neural Framework for Relation Classification from Noisy Data | Research Assistant Oct. 2018 – Feb. 2019

Advisor: Jian-Yun Nie, Professor, Department of Computer Science and Operations Research, University of Montreal

- Proposed a novel robust neural framework to directly learn from noisy data for sentence-level relation extraction
- An online meta-learning algorithm is applied to learn the weights of instances in a mini-batch, to denoise the training set

Integrated Learning of Features and Ranking Function in Information Retrieval | Research Assistant Sep. 2018 – Jan. 2019

Advisor: Jian-Yun Nie, Professor, Department of Computer Science and Operations Research, University of Montreal

- Proposed an integrated end-to-end learning framework based on learning-to-rank to learn both neural features and the ranking function simultaneously.
- The framework has the flexibility to integrate arbitrary traditional features

Intelligent Vehicle Project | Research Assistant

May 2018 – Sep. 2018

Advisor: Hui-Jing Zhao, Professor, School of Electronics Engineering and Computer Science, Peking University

- Built convolutional neural networks to classify different kinds of road intersections based on 3D-LIDAR data
- Applied the model (97% precision) in building a global map and driving assistant

Dental Haptic Device | Research Assistant

Dec. 2017 - Mar. 2018

Advisor: Yu-Ru Zhang, Professor, Robotics Institution of Beihang University

- Investigated co-actuation module to achieve high stiffness and low inertia for haptic devices
- Designed the control algorithm of the haptic device for numerical simulation

Search Engine Development | Research Assistant

Sep. 2017 - Dec. 2017

Advisor: Jian-Wen Zhu, Associate Professor at Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering, University of Toronto

- > Implemented the depth-first-order crawler code to traverse 20K web pages
- > Constructed the PageRank algorithm to rank the web pages based on the click information for each web page
- > Designed the front-end based on the Python Bottle web framework
- > Deployed the web application, the front-end, and the backend persistent database on Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud

PUBLICATION

(Under-review Paper) Integrated Learning of Representation Features and Ranking Function, submitted to ICTIR 2019 Yifan Nie, Jiyang Zhang, Jianyun Nie.

HONORS AND AWARDS

>	1st Academic Excellence Award of Beihang University (TOP 3%)	2018
>	Academic Competition Award of Beihang University (TOP 10%)	2018
>	Honorable Mention Mathematical Contest in Modeling (MCM)	2018
>	3 rd Academic Excellence Award of Honors College of Beihang University (TOP 15%)	2017
	2 nd Academic Excellence Award of Honors College of Beihang University (TOP 5%)	2016

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

INFIMIND AI Technlogy Company

Beijing, China

AI Algorithm Department

May 2019 - Jul 2019

> Design algorithm to generating advertisement based on information retrieval algorithm

LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES

Led the team and won the Bronze Medal in 2016 and the Silver Medal in 2018 for the BUAA League Volleyball Match

> SKILLS

Language skills: English: TOEFL scores 111 (Reading: 30 Listening: 28 Speaking: 24 Writing: 29); Chinese: fluent

Programing skills: Python, C++, MATLAB