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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Safe & Trustworthy LLMs, Low-resource NLP, Data-efficient Learning, and Information Extraction.

EDUCATION

Guangdong University of Foreign Studies (GDUFS)

Guangzhou, China

B.E. in Software Engineering. Advisor: Lianxi Wang

Sept 2021 - June 2025

GPA: 3.80/4.00

University of California, Berkeley (UCB)

Berkeley, CA

Courses: NLP, Introduction to AI, Computer Security

Aug 2023 - Jan 2024

GPA: 4.00/4.00

PUBLICATIONS

- * represents equal contributions and † represents the corresponding author.
 - Lianxi Wang, Yujia Tian*, Zhuowei Chen*†. Enhancing Hindi Feature Representation Through Fusion of Dual-Script Word Embeddings Proceedings of the 2024 Joint International Conference on Computational Linguistics. LREC-COLING 2024 (Long-paper, Main Conference)
 - 2. **Zhuowei Chen**, Yujia Tian, Lianxi Wang[†], Shengyi Jiang. A Distantly-Supervised Relation Extraction Method Based on Selective Gate and Noise Correction China National Conference on Chinese Computational Linguistics, 2023. CCL 2023 (Long-paper, Main Conference)
 - 3. **Zhuowei Chen**, Yuben Wu, Xinfeng Liao, Yujia Tian, Lianxi Wang[†]. An Effective Deployment of Diffusion LM for Data Augmentation in Low-Resource Sentiment Classification (ARR June for EMNLP 2024, Avg. OA: 3.5)
 - 4. Lianxi Wang, Huayu Huang, **Zhuowei Chen**[†]. LAKA: A Label-Aware and Knowledge-Augmented Framework for Multi-Label Text Classification (Under review)
 - 5. Lianxi Wang, **Zhuowei Chen***, Yujia Tian*, Mutong Li, Nankai Lin[†]. EditMDS: An Iterative Optimization Method for Multi-Document Summarization Based on Edit Operations (Under review)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Massachusetts Boston

Boston, MA

Research Intern

March 2024 - Present

Supervisor: Dr. Shichao Pei

• JailbreakLLM: Exploring Novel Jailbreak Backdoor Attacks on LLMs.

Guangzhou Key Laboratory of Multilingual Intelligent Processing

Guangzhou, China Nov 2021 - March 2024

Undergraduate Research Student

Supervisor: Prof. Lianxi Wang

• BiasLLM: Adversarial Knowledge Editing Attacks on LLMs.

- Combined GNNs with model editing techniques to attack Llama-2, successfully exposing significant biases within the model.
- Highlighted the vulnerability of LLMs to adversarial knowledge editing, emphasizing the critical need for robust countermeasures.

- Deploying Diffusion LM for Data Augmentation in Text Classification. (ARR June)
 - Fine-tuned LMs with a diffusion objective to capture in-domain knowledge and generate samples by reconstructing label-related tokens.
 - Designed attention-based mask schedule for the diffusion LM, balancing domain consistency, label consistency, and context diversity.
 - Conducted analyses and visualizations to study its underlying mechanism, followed by experiments validating its effectiveness across various low-resource scenarios.
- Enhancing Hindi Representations via Fusion of Pre-trained Language Models. (COLING 2024)
 - Proposed a method to enhance Hindi feature representation by combining Devanagari and Romanized Hindi pre-trained language models.
 - Conducted an in-depth comparison of different feature fusion techniques, including concatenation, summation, and cross-attention.
 - Ablations and extensive NLU task experiments show the superiority of our method, demonstrating the potential of multi-script integration to enhance low-resource language models.
- Distantly Supervised Relation Extraction (DSRE) with Learning-with-Noise Methods. (CCL 2023)
 - Combined selective gate and noise correction training framework for DSRE, which performs data selection and corrects noise labels during a three-stage training process.
 - Experiments demonstrated state-of-the-art performance, revealing a promising new approach for applying training-with-noise techniques in NLP.
- Multi-Label Text Classification (MLTC) with Knowledge Augmentation and Span Prediction.
 - Integrated span-prediction with an adapted GNN-based knowledge augmentation module to enhance MLTC.
 - Conducted visualizations and analyses to study its working mechanism, emphasizing the critical role of incorporating domain-specific knowledge for LM.

SELECTED PROJECT

- Multimodal NLP: Image-Text Interfacing with CLIP and Rational Speech Acts.
 - Used the CLIP model for image and caption retrieval, and further improved retrieval effectiveness by developing and applying a Rational Speech Acts inference procedure.

WORK EXPERIENCE

AI Lab, Wisers Information Ltd.

NLP Research Intern

Hong Kong, China Dec 2023 - Mar 2024

- Quantization of Hong Kong Tourism Popularity.
 - Built BERT-based textual classification models with human-annotated social media content.
 - Applied transformers for time series regression to predict the number of regional arrivals.

SELECTED HONORS

• First-class Scholarship

(Top 4%) GDUFS Academic Scholarship, 2023

• Silver Medal

National College Student Mathematical Modelling Competition, 2023

• Silver Medal

(Top 5%) National College Computer Design Competition, 2022

OTHER RELATED EXPERIENCE

- Conference Attendance. Poster and oral presentation on *LREC-COLING 2024* and *CCL 2023*.
- Teaching Assistance. TA for Language Processing Technique.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

• Programming: Python, Java, JS/HTML/CSS, C/C++, SQL, Golang.