Kaibo Liu

Curriculum Vitæ

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Education

2020 – Now **Oregon State University**, **PhD** candidate (on leave), Computer Science [GPA: 4.0/4.0].

2016 – 2018 **Oregon State University**, **ℰ** *M.Sc.*, Computer Science [GPA: 4.0/4.0].

2010 – 2013 **Peking University, China**, **ℰ** *M.Sc.*, Electronics Engineering [GPA: 3.71/4.0].

2006 – 2010 **Peking University, China**, **ℰ** *B.Sc.*, Physics [GPA: 3.49/4.0].

Work Experience

Jun 2018 - Research Scientist.

Mar 2020 - Senior Research Scientist.

Mar 2022 - Now Staff Research Scientist.

BAIDU RESEARCH, SUNNYVALE, CA

• 1 business product delivered, 2 applications deployed, 9 conference and journal papers on NLP and Bioinformatics published, and 3 patents licensed.

A1 STACL: Simultaneous Translation with Integrated Anticipation and Controllable Latency.

- A novel prefix-to-prefix framework for simultaneous translation that implicitly learns to anticipate in a single translation model.
- A simple yet surprisingly effective wait-k policy was trained to generate the target sentence concurrently with the source sentence, but always k words behind.
- o Received many reports from influential media worldwide, e.g., CNBC, MIT tech review, FORTUNE.
- o Paper published at ACL 2019 and patented. Demo and code can be found simultrans-demo.github.io

A2 Incremental Text-to-Speech Synthesis with Prefix-to-Prefix Framework.

- \circ The first neural incremental TTS approach based on prefix-to-prefix framework. Speech is synthesized in an online fashion, playing a segment of audio while generating the next, O(1) over O(n) latency.
- Experiments show similar speech naturalness compared to full sentence method, but only with a fraction of time and a constant (1-2 words) latency.
- o Paper published at EMNLP 2020. Synthesized demo audios can be found on inctts.github.io

A3 LinearDesign, an efficient algorithms for Optimized mRNA Sequence Design.

- A surprisingly high efficient solution from computational linguistics to jointly optimize Messenger RNA (mRNA) vaccines' stability and codon usage, to tackle the critical issue of mRNA instability and degradation.
- o LinearDesign takes only 11 minutes for the COVID-19 Spike protein. The design substantially improve mRNA half-life and protein expression in vitro, and dramatically increase antibody response by up to $23\times$ in vivo.
- 1 business product was delivered, commercialization achieved, 3 business contracts signed, 1 patent licensed and 1 paper reviewed by Science, open access demo web server is available at rna.baidu.com

A4 CoV-Seq: a New Tool for SARS-CoV-2 Genome Analysis and Visualization.

- Developed an integrated web service for fast and easy analysis of custom SARS-CoV-2 sequences. CoV-Seq automatically predicts gene boundaries and identifies genetic variants, which are displayed in an interactive genome visualizer and are downloadable for further analysis. A weekly updated database of genetic variants of all publicly accessible SARS-CoV-2 sequences is also provided
- The method paper was accepted by JMIR and patented, the web service is available covseq.baidu.com

A5 LinearFold: linear-time approximate RNA folding by 5'-to-3' dynamic programming and beam search.

- LinearFold is the first approximate algorithm in RNA folding to achieve linear runtime (and linear space) without imposing constraints on the output structure such as base-pair distance.
- Merged status of intermediate statuses to compress the size of stacks, and eliminated redundant statuses by beam size.

- Live demo and pre-computed results deployed, demo web server is available at linearfold.org, visualized results are available here
- A6 AutoSimTrans: 3-straight-year workshop on Automatic Simultaneous Translation.
 - Served in Program Committee to host the Workshop and Challenge parts
 - o In charge of data preparation, submission pipeline and judgement system for Shared Task Challenge
 - The workshops were hosted at ACL 2020, NAACL 2021 and NAACL 2022

2016 – 2018 Graduate Research Assistant.

OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY, CORVALLIS, OR

- B1 Image generating architecture in Generative Adversarial Networks.
 - Constructed a GAN architecture generate unsupervised images. Optimized the model with Wasserstein GAN for stable training process and better results, including celebrity faces, written numbers, landscapes, and flowers.
- B2 Image Synthesis in Artistic Style.
 - Generated fascinating landscapes and portraits images with famous painting styles, offering better diversity than the app prisma. Demos available here
- July 2013 Engineer & Research program executive.

June 2016 CHINA ELECTRIC POWER RESEARCH INSTITUTE (CEPRI), STATE GRID COOPERATION OF CHINA

- C1 Smart substation network and reliability research.
 - Automatic redundant network path generating technology with high reliability for substation.
 - Large scale online network test for smart substation (latency, synchronous signal, network stress and packet loss test).
 - 2 conference papers published, and 3 patents authorized.

Publications

- [1] He Zhang, Liang Zhang, Ziyu Li, **Kaibo Liu**, Boxiang Liu, David H. Mathews, and Liang Huang, *Linear Design: Efficient Algorithms for Optimized mRNA Sequence Design [J]*, Science under view, 2022.
- [2] Sizhen Li, He Zhang, Liang Zhang, **Kaibo Liu**, Boxiang Liu, et al, *LinearTurboFold: Linear-time global prediction of conserved structures for RNA homologs with applications to SARS-CoV-2 [J]*, PNAS, 2021.
- [3] Kaibo Liu, Boxiang Liu, He Zhang, Liang Zhang, and Liang Huang, CoV-Seq: SARS-CoV-2 Genome Analysis and Visualization [C], JMIR, 2020.
- [4] Baigong Zheng, **Kaibo Liu**, Renjie Zheng, Mingbo Ma, Hairong Liu, and Liang Huang, *Simultaneous Translation Policies: From Fixed to Adaptive [C]*, ACL, 2020.
- [5] Renjie Zheng, Mingbo Ma, Baigong Zheng, **Kaibo Liu**, and Liang Huang, *Opportunistic Decoding with Timely Correction for Simultaneous Translation [C]*, ACL, 2020.
- [6] Renjie Zheng, Mingbo Ma, Baigong Zheng, **Kaibo Liu**, et al, *Fluent and Low-latency Simultaneous Speech-to-Speech Translation with Self-adaptive Training [C]*, ACL, 2020.
- [7] Mingbo Ma, Baigong Zheng, **Kaibo Liu**, Renjie Zheng, et al, *Incremental Text-to-Speech Synthesis with Prefix-to-Prefix Framework [C]*, EMNLP, 2020.
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- [9] Liang Huang, Liang, He Zhang, Dezhong Deng, Kai Zhao, **Kaibo Liu**, David Hendrix, and David Mathews, *LinearFold: linear-time approximate RNA folding by 5'-to-3' dynamic programming and beam search [C]*, Bioinformatics, 35, no. 14 (2019).
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- [11] Zhijuan Tu, **Kaibo Liu**, Huaxiang Yi, et al, *A compact evanescently-coupled germanium PIN waveguide photodetector* [*C*], Proceedings of SPIE- The International Society for Optical Engineering, 2012, 8564(19): 425-430.
- [12] Zhongqing Li, **Kaibo Liu**, Xiao Li, et al, *Sampled data synchronization scheme for relay protection in smart substation [C]*, Power System Technology (POWERCON), International Conference on IEEE, 2015, 1778-1784.

- [P1] Boxiang Liu, **Kaibo Liu**, He Zhang, etc., *Systems and methods for genome analysis and visualization [IP]*, 20220108773, 2020.
- [P2] He Zhang, Liang Zhang, Ziyu Li, **Kaibo Liu**, Boxiang Liu, Liang Huang, *Systems and methods for sequence design*, 28888-2424, BN200427USN1, 2020.
- [P3] Mingbo Ma, Liang Huang, Hao Xiong, **Kaibo Liu**, etc., *Systems and methods for simultaneous translation with integrated anticipation and controllable latency (STACL) [IP]*, 11126800, 2019.
- [P4] Kaibo Liu, Huanzhang Liu, Zhongqing Li, et al, *The criterion for the polarization of a single ended distance protection [IP]*, CN201510955373.9, 2015.
- [P5] Zhongqing Li, Zexin Zhou, Yongli Li, **Kaibo Liu**, et al, *A fault diagnosis method of circuit breaker operating mechanism based on least squares vector [IP]*, CN201510214317.X, 2015.
- [P6] Zhongqing Li, Botong Li, Xianguo Jiang, **Kaibo Liu**, et al, *A fault location method for hybrid line of overhead line and high voltage cable [IP]*, CN201510316122.6, 2015.

Awards

- Mar 2022 General TC Technology Incentive Award 2021, Baidu, CHINA & USA.
- Jan 2022 Star of Q4 2021, BAIDU RESEARCH, USA.
- Jan 2021 Baidu Pride Best Team Award 2020, BAIDU, USA.
- Jul 2020 AIG-TC Technology Incentive Award 2020-H1, BAIDU, USA.
- Dec 2018 AIG-TC Technology Innovation Award 2018-H2, BAIDU, USA.
- May 2015 First prize for scientific and technological progress in CEPRI, STATE GRID CO. OF CHINA.
- 2010-2013 National Second-order Scholarship of China, Peking University, CHINA.
- Nov 2009 Sumitomo Mitsui Bank(JP) Global Foundation Scholarship, Peking University, CHINA.

Skills & Abilities

Field NLP, Machine Translation, Computational biology, Computer vision, Deep learning, Data analysis

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Programming Language

- ♥ Python,♥ C/C++, MySql, Matlab, LATEX
- Frame Pytorch, PaddlePaddle, TensorFlow, Torch, Keras, Caffe, OpenCV
 - Web Flask, Django, Node.js, JavaScript, HTML5

Deep love in algorithm

Interests

- Lego
- Rubik's CubeBaseball