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RESEARCH INTERESTS Natural Language Processing, Machine learning, Quantitative Methods, and Computational Social Science.

EDUCATION

University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN, USA

Joint Ph.D. in Quantitative Psychology and Computer Science and Engineering

M.S. in Computer Science and Engineering

2024

Sichuan University, Chengdu, China

B.Eng. in Computer Science and Technology

2020

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE Lab for Big Data Methodology, University of Notre Dame

Graduate Research Assistant, Advisor: Prof. Zhiyong Johnny Zhang Aug 2020 – present

Research Topic: Integrating machine learning with structural equation modeling

DM2 Lab, University of Notre Dame

Graduate Research Assistant, Advisor: Prof. Meng Jiang Aug 2020 – present

Research Topic: Large Language Models for mental health support

Natural Language Processing Lab (THUNLP), Tsinghua University

Research Assistant, Advisors: Prof. Zhiyuan Liu & Prof. Huimin Chen Sep 2020 – Jan 2021

Research Topic: Social media sentiment analysis and bias detection

PUBLICATIONS

Journal & Conference Articles

Tong, L., & Zhang, Z. (drafted). TextSEM: Structural Equation Modeling for Text Data. *Structural Equation Modeling: A Multidisciplinary Journal*. [preprint]

Tong, L., & Zhang, Z. (under review). Neural Network Analysis of Psychological Data: A Step-by-Step Guide. *Multivariate Behavioral Research*. [preprint]

Lu, Y., **Tong, L.**, & Cheng, Y. (in press). Advanced Knowledge Tracing for Intelligent Tutoring Systems: Incorporating Process Data and Curricula Information via an Attention-Based Framework. *Journal of Educational Data Mining*. [preprint]

Tong, L., Qu, W., & Zhang, Z. (2024). Comparison of the K1 Rule, Parallel Analysis, and the Bass-Ackward Method on Identifying the Number of Factors in Factor Analysis. *Fudan Journal of the Humanities and Social Sciences*, 1-28. [DOI]

Zhang, J., Chen, H., & **Tong, L.** (2022). Structured Gender Bias: How is Gender Cognition Changed and Affected by Digital Communities in China? *In 2022 Annual Conference of International Association for Media and Communication Research Conference (IAMCR).*

Kuebler, J., **Tong, L.**, & Jiang, M. (2021). Multi-round parsing-based multiword rules for scientific knowledge extraction. *In 2021 IEEE International Conference on Big Knowledge (ICBK)* (pp. 331-338). IEEE. [DOI]

Chen, H., Jin S., Lin W., Zhu Z., Tong L., Liu Y., ... & Sun M. (2021). Quantitative analysis on

the communication of COVID-19 related social media rumors. *Journal of Computer Research and Development*, 58(7), 1366-1384. [DOI]

Workshop Papers & Presentations

Tong, L. & Jiang, M. (2024). Large Language Models in Mental Health Support. *Summer Research Experience for Teacher's program*, 19 June, Notre Dame, USA. [slides]

Tong, L., Liu, Q., Yu, W., Yu, M., Zhang, Z., & Jiang, M. (2023). Improving mental health support response generation with event-based knowledge graph. *Workshop on Knowledge-Augmented Methods for NLP (KnowledgeNLP) at AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI).* [paper] [slides]

Wan, R., & **Tong, L.** (2023). Digital and Historical Exclusivity in Feminine Linguistics: From Nüshu to Xiaohongshu. *WiNLP workshop at Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP).* [paper]

Tong, L., Zhang, Z., Jiang M., & Li J. (2023). Permutation test of Importance-Weighted Autoencoder for Factor Analysis. *Symposium at Lucy Family Institute for Data & Society*, 7 September, Notre Dame, USA. [poster]

Jiang M., Dang H., **Tong L.** (2023). A Quantitative Review on Language Model Efficiency Research. Large Language Model. *Symposium at International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI)*. [paper]

Tong, L. & Zhang, Z. (2023). Evaluation of the Bass-Ackward Method for Identifying the Number of Factors. *Annual Meeting of the International Society for Data Science and Analytics*. [slides]

Yu, M., Yu, W., Tong, L., & Jiang, M. (2022). Scientific Comparative Argument Generation. *Document Intelligence Workshop (DI) at ACM SIGKDD International Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining(KDD)*. [paper]

Tong, L., Zhang, Z., Jiang M., & Li J. (2022). Estimating Structural Equation Models with Neural Networks. *Symposium at Lucy Family Institute for Data & Society*, 28 September, Notre Dame, USA. [poster]

Software Development

Tong L., & Zhang, Z. (in prep). TextSEM: An R Package for Structural Equation Modeling with Text Data.

Tong L., & Zhang, Z. (2022). An Online Tool for Bass-Ackward Factor Analysis. Available at https://websem.psychstat.org/apps/bass/.

Xu, J., **Tong L.**, & Zhang, Z. (2020). Webnetvis: An Online Tool for Network Visualization. Available at https://webnetvis.psychstat.org/.

HONORS AND AWARDS

ISLA Graduate Student Research Award (\$4,000) University of Notre Dame First place, 2023 EDM Cup International Educational Data Mining Society (IEDMS) Most Innovative Project Award Google AI ML Winter Camp, Beijing First Prize Academic Scholarship Sichuan University Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award 2024 2024 2025 2026 2027 2027 2029 2029 2029 2029 2029 2029 2019 2019 2019

Sichuan University

National Innovation Training Grant for Undergraduates	2017, 2018
Sichuan University	

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Associate Instructor, Grad Seminar: Quantitative Study (PSY 63199) Fall 2024 Department of Psychology, University of Notre Dame

Teaching Assistant, Methods for Behavioral Sciences (PSY 30160) Fall 2023, Spring 2022 Department of Psychology, University of Notre Dame

MENTORED STUDENTS

Noah Crockett, ND undergraduate in psychology
 Yue Wan, ND exchange undergraduate student
 Anna Krush, ND undergraduate student in psychology
 Qi Liu, ND visiting undergraduate student in computer science

Professional Leadership & Service

Workshop Co-organized:

- The Second Workshop on Knowledge Augmented Methods for NLP at ACM SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD), 6-10 August 2023, Long Beach, CA, USA. [website]
- Workshops at the Annual Meeting of the International Society for Data Science and Analytics, July 21–24, 2024, Vienna, Austria. [website]

Manuscript Reviewer:

- Journal of Behavioral Data Science (JBDS)
- Journal of Chinese Political Science (JCPS)
- Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL)
- Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP)
- China National Conference on Computational Linguistics (CCL)

University Service:

Departmental DEI Committee Representative	2023 - 2024
 Mentor for STEMentorship Program, Association with Women in Science 	2023 - 2024
Departmental Faculty Meeting Representative	2022 - 2023

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming Languages: Python, R, JavaScript, SQL, HTML and others
- Quantitative Methods: Structural Equation Modeling, Multivariate Analysis, Bayesian Statistics, Item Response Theory
- Machine Learning Topics: Natural Language Processing, Deep Learning, Human-AI Collaborative System