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"I saw the angel in the marble and carved until I set him free. - Michelangelo"

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RESEARCH INTEREST

Mining knowledge from unlabeled text & using such knowledge to enhance natural language processing/understanding.

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, URBANA-CHAMPAIGN (UIUC)

PH.D. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE, EXPECTED JUNE. 2021

- Advisor: Prof. Jiawei Han

Illinois, USA

September 2016 – Present

UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF CHINA (USTC)

B.E. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

- Advisor: Prof. Linli Xu
- Shortlisted for the Guo Moruo scholarship and graduated summa cum laude.

Hefei, China

September 2012 – June 2016

EXPERIENCE

Data Mining Group @ UIUC

RESEARCH ASSISTANT, ADVISOR: PROF. JIAWEI HAN

Urbana, USA

September 2016 – PRESENT

D365 AI @ Microsoft

RESEARCH INTERN, ADVISOR: DR. WEIZHU CHEN

Bellevue, USA

May 2019 – August 2019

AllenNLP @ AI2

RESEARCH INTERN, ADVISOR: DR. MATTHEW E PETERS

Seattle, USA

May 2018 – August 2018

Social Computing Group @ MICROSOFT RESEARCH ASIA

RESEARCH INTERN, ADVISOR: DR. RUIHUA SONG

Beijing, China

July 2015 – May 2016

Laboratory of Semantic Computing and Data Mining @ USTC

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCHER, ADVISOR: PROF. LINLI XU

Hefei, Anhui

October 2013 – June 2015

National Student Innovation Training Program @ USTC

PROJECT LEADER, ADVISOR: PROF. KAI XING

Hefei, Anhui

April 2013 – May 2015

PUBLICATIONS

* indicates equal contribution.

- [1] **Liyuan Liu**, Haoming Jiang, Pengcheng He, Weizhu Chen, Xiaodong Liu, Jianfeng Gao, and Jiawei Han. "On the Variance of the Adaptive Learning Rate and Beyond." *arXiv preprint arXiv:1908.03265* (2019).
- [2] Zihan Wang*, Jingbo Shang*, **Liyuan Liu***, Lihao Lu, Jiacheng Liu and Jiawei Han. "CrossWeigh: Training Named Entity Tagger from Imperfect Annotations" in *Proc. of 2019 Conf. on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP'19)*, to appear.
- [3] Qinyuan Ye*, **Liyuan Liu***, Maosen Zhang, and Xiang Ren. "CrossWeigh: Training Named Entity Tagger from Imperfect Annotations" in *Proc. of 2019 Conf. on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP'19)*, to appear.

- [4] **Liyuan Liu**, Jingbo Shang, and Jiawei Han. “Arabic Named Entity Recognition: What Works and What’s Next” in *emphProc. of the 4th Arabic Natural Language Processing Worksho (WANLP 2019)*, co-located with ACL 2019, Florence, Italy, July 2019. (Oral).
- [5] Ying Lin, **Liyuan Liu**, Heng Ji, Dong Yu, and Jiawei Han. “Reliability-aware Dynamic Feature Composition for Name Tagging” in *Proc. of the 57th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL’ 19)*, Florence, Italy, Jul. 2019. (Oral, Long).
- [6] Jingbo Shang, Jiaming Shen, **Liyuan Liu**, and Jiawei Han, “Constructing and Mining Heterogeneous Information Networks from Massive Text”, Conference tutorial at *2019 ACM SIGKDD Int. Conf. on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD’19)*, Anchorage, AK, Aug. 2019.
- [7] Yujin Yuan, **Liyuan Liu**, Siliang Tang, Zhongfei Zhang, Yueting Zhuang, Fei Wu, and Xiang Ren. “Cross-relation Cross-bag Attention for Distantly-supervised Relation Extraction” in *Proc. of 2019 AAAI Conf. on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI’19)*, to appear.
- [8] Jingbo Shang*, **Liyuan Liu***, Xiaotao Gu, Xiang Ren, Teng Ren, and Jiawei Han “Learning Named Entity Tagger using Domain-Specific Dictionary.” in *Proc. of 2018 Conf. on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP’18)*, Brussels, Belgium, Oct. 2018.
- [9] **Liyuan Liu**, Xiang Ren, Jingbo Shang, Jian Peng, and Jiawei Han. “Efficient Contextualized Representation: Compressing Language Models for Sequence Labeling.” in *Proc. of 2018 Conf. on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP’18)*, Brussels, Belgium, Oct. 2018. (Oral, Long).
- [10] **Liu, Liyuan**, Jingbo Shang, Frank Xu, Xiang Ren, Huan Gui, Jian Peng, and Jiawei Han. “Empower Sequence Labeling with Task-Aware Neural Language Model.” in *Proc. of 2018 AAAI Conf. on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI’18)*, New Orleans, LA, Feb. 2018.
- [11] **Liyuan Liu***, Xiang Ren*, Qi Zhu, Shi Zhi, Huan Gui, Heng Ji, and Jiawei Han. “Heterogeneous Supervision for Relation Extraction: A Representation Learning Approach.”, in *Proc. of 2017 Conf. on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP’17)*, Copenhagen, Denmark, Sept. 2017. (Oral, Long).
- [12] Chao Zhang, **Liyuan Liu**, Dongming Lei, Quan Yuan, Honglei Zhuang, Tim Hanratty, and Jiawei Han, “TrioVecEvent: Embedding-Based Online Local Event Detection in Geo-Tagged Tweet Streams”, in *Proc. of 2017 ACM SIGKDD Int. Conf. on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD’17)*, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, Aug. 2017. (Oral, Long).
- [13] Qi Zhu, Hongwei Ng, **Liyuan Liu**, Ziwei Ji, Bingjie Jiang, Jiaming Shen, and Huan Gui. “Wikidata Vandalism Detection—The Loganberry Vandalism Detector at WSDM Cup 2017”, in *WSDM Cup 2017 Notebook Papers (WSDM Cup’ 17)*, Feb. 10, Cambridge, UK.
- [14] **Liyuan Liu**, Linli Xu, Zhen Wang, and Enhong Chen, “Community Detection Based on Structure and Content: A Content Propagation Perspective”, in *Proc. of 2016 Int. Conf. on Data Mining (ICDM’16)*, Atlantic City, NJ, USA, Nov. 2015. (Oral, Long, AC rate: 18.1%)

HONORS & AWARDS

Highlights

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| Winner of the Topcoder Arabic NER Challenge | 2018 |
| • ranked 1st among 137 registrant and 220 submissions. | |
| Guo Moruo Scholarship | 2015 |
| • the Highest Honor for USTC Undergraduate Students. | |
| Google Excellent Scholarship | 2015 |
| • only 58 Graduate and Undergraduate Students Shortlisted. | |

Scholarships

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| Samsung Scholarship | 2015 |
| Tencent Innovative Scholarship | 2014 |

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| Scholarship for Outstanding Students | 2013 |
| Seagate Scholarship | 2013 |
| Scholarship for Outstanding New Students | 2012 |

Awards

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| DMG Research Honorable Mention Award | 2018 |
| 3th Place at WSDM Cup 2017 | 2017 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vandalism Detection Task. | |
| DMG Research Honorable Mention Award | 2017 |
| ICDM 2015 Travel Award | 2015 |

HIGHLIGHT PROJECTS

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| RAdam | 954 stars, 130 folks. |
| LM-LSTM-CRF | 651 stars, 186 folks. |
| AutoNER | 205 stars |
| LD-Net | 139 stars |
| Torch-Scope | 20k+ downloads. |

SKILLS

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| Programming | C, C++, JAVA, Python, Lua, Matlab |
| DL Packages | Torch, PyTorch |
| Languages | English, Chinese |

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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| PC Member | EMNLP2019, PAMI (since 2019), LLD2019, ACL2019, NAACL2019, AAAI2019, EMNLP2018 |
| External Reviewer | ACL2018, NAACL2018, WWW2018, AAAI2018, KDD2018, ACL2017, EMNLP2017, KDD2017 |