Murong Yue

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EDUCATION

George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

Ph.D. in Computer Science (Advised by Prof. Ziyu Yao)

2022 - Present

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA

M.S. in Electrical and Computing Engineering

2018 - 2020

Beijing Jiaotong University, Beijing, China

B.E. in Electrical and Computing Engineering

2014 - 2018

PUBLICATION

Murong Yue, Wenlin Yao, Haitao Mi, Dian Yu, Ziyu Yao, Dong Yu, "DOTS: Learning to Reason Dynamically in LLMs via Optimal Reasoning Trajectories Search", **Preprint**[paper]

Murong Yue, Wijdane Mifdal, Yixuan Zhang, Jennifer Suh, Ziyu Yao, "MathVC: An LLM-Simulated Multi-Character Virtual Classroom for Mathematics Education", **Preprint**[paper]

Murong Yue, Jie Zhao, Min Zhang, Liang Du, Ziyu Yao, "Large Language Model Cascades with Mixture of Thoughts Representations for Cost-efficient Reasoning", ICLR 2024[paper](Featured in Hugging Face Daily Papers)

Min Zhang, Jiangeng He, Shuo Lei, **Murong Yue**, Linhan Wang, Chang-Tien Lu, "Can LLM find the green circle? Investigation and Human-guided tool manipulation for compositional generalization", **ICASSP 2024**.[paper]

Binfeng Xu, Xukun Liu, Hua Shen, Zeyu Han, Yuhan Li, **Murong Yue**, Zhiyuan Peng, Yuchen Liu, Ziyu Yao, Dongkuan Xu, "Gentopia: A Collaborative Platform for Tool-Augmented LLMs", **EMNLP 2023 Demo**.[paper]

EXPERIENCE

Tencent, AI labs

Research Intern

2024.5 - 2024.8

• Responsible for enhancing the reasoning capability of large language models in the post-training process. Developed DOTS [paper] methods in making LLM learn to reason dynamically via optimal reasoning trajectories search.

George Mason University

 $Graduate\ Research\ Assistance$

Fairfax, VA

2023.5 - present

- Explore the practical, task-oriented interactive large language model systems.
- Developing cost-efficient LLM cascades to reduce computational expenses by 40% while maintaining performance on multiple reasoning tasks.
- Participated in the construction of the Gentopia, which enabled us to create a context/distribution shift specialized to some target tasks easily.

 $Graduate\ Teaching\ Assistance$

2022.8 - 2023.5

• Teaching Assistant for CS110 Essentials of Computer Science and CS112 Introduction to Computer Programming

Alibaba Group, TmallGenie AI labs

Machine Learning Engineer

Beijing, China

2020.8 - 2022.8

- Responsible for vocal search in voice assistant. Designed a cross-modal retrieval method based on contrastive learning connecting the text and music to improve music tagging accuracy and enable zero-shot capabilities.
- Responsible for dialect classification in voice assistant. Designed a dialect classification system with an early classification module based on curriculum learning.

Pingan Technology, AI Labs

Research Intern

Beijing, China 2019.5 - 2019.8

• Trained the TDNN neural network to extract the features of speakers and designed a speaker verification method based on the extracted speaker features. The error rate decreased from 13.7% to 8.4%.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Organizing Committee

MASC-SLL 2023 - 10th Mid-Atlantic Student Colloquium on Speech, Language and Learning

Reviewer

 $NeurIPS'23,\ NeurIPS'24,\ EMNLP'24,\ ICLR'25,\ AISTATS'25$

INVITED TALKS

LLM agent: build your own personal assistant, Invited talk at George Mason University Event for Hand-on Generative AI. Host: Amadra Shehu. Feb, 2024

Large Language Model Cascades with Mixture of Thoughts Representations for Cost-efficient Reasoning, Invited talk at Microsoft Semantic Machines. Host: Hao Fang. Oct. 2023

HONOR AND AWARD

2024 Outstanding PhD Student Award

2024 Recognition for Service on Hangs-On Generative AI Tutorial

2016 BJTU Study Scholarship

2014 First Prize in BJTU Mathematical Modeling Competition