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Education

2013 – 2017 **The University of Nottingham Ningbo, China.**
BSc Hons Computer Science

Average mark 85 (British education system, 1%, GPA: 4.0)

Honors and Awards

- 08/2016 **Best project in seals competition**, *Alibaba Group.*
For the best project out of 12 projects
- 05/2016 **Best group project and group leader**, *The University of Nottingham Ningbo China.*
For the best year 3 group project in Computer Science department and the best group leader
- 03/2016 **UI design competition**, *The University of Nottingham Ningbo China.*
Second award, 1%, Demo link
- 03/2016 **Outstanding student**, *The University of Nottingham Ningbo China.*
For innovative and excellent academic contribution, 1%
- 12/2015 **Provost's Scholarship**, *The University of Nottingham.*
For excellent academic performance, 15000RMB, 1.5%
- 12/2015 **2015 Ningbo Collegiate Programming Contest**, *The Education Committee of Ningbo.*
First award
- 05/2015 **Outstanding Director of Organization**, *The University of Nottingham Ningbo China.*
For outstanding leadership in social activities, 1%
- 12/2014 **Dean's Scholarship**, *The University of Nottingham.*
For good academic performance, 6000RMB, 10%

Papers

- 09/2016 **Learning to detect redundancies with word mover's distance based on distributed representations**, *Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence (AAAI).*
Applying
- 11/2016 **Reflections from Student-staff Collaboration to Develop an Open Educational Resource**, *Teaching, Assessment and Learning for Engineering (TALE).*
Applying

Internship

05/2016 – **Taobao Team**, Alibaba Group, Algorithm Engineer.

- 09/2016
- Automatic mobile-based speaker verification system development
 - Realize and compare several state-of-art approaches and models, such as GMM-UBM, I-vector and JFA to realize speaker verification tasks in practice.
 - Optimize and come up with new algorithms to improve the performance.
 - Set up a deep learning based speaker verification system.
 - Security Rebot design and development under the funding from GNomeMagic Lab
 - Set up a face detection and verification system.
 - Applying for the national patent.

Technique *Java/C++/Node.js/MPI environment/Hadoop/Mongo DB*

05/2015 – **Big Data and Visual Analytics Lab Internship**, The University of Nottingham Ningbo China, 09/2015 Reserach assistant.

- Configuring and practicing a big data architecture (Hadoop and MPI) for social media data mining and novelty event detection.
- Collecting health-related data from social media websites (Twitter, Weibo).
- Conducting data pre-processing and cleaning work.
- Conducting data analysis (including keywords, sentiments, numerical analysis) using machine learning technology.
- Computer vision of big data.

Technique *Java/C++/Node.js/MPI environment/Hadoop/Mongo DB*

Skills

Basic Image Processing, Computer Vision, HCI, Data Visualization(Gephi), Python, Matlab

Intermediate Web technique, MEAN stack, Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Data Mining, Data analysis, R, Weka, Database Management, C/C++, Java, Design Pattern, Software Engineering, Agile Development

Research

09/2015 – **First Story Detection (FSD) with multiple approaches**, *coresearcher*.

- Present
- Based on the statistics language model, applied LSI and incremental TF-IDF to realize real-time FSD.
 - Optimized FSD by applying SVD to solve polysemy and synonymy problems and reduce noise.
 - Based on the neural network language model, applied the state-of-the-art word embeddings (word2vec) and earth mover's distance (EMD) in FSD.
 - Optimized the process of calculating EMD.
 - Applied EMD in clustering (including K-means, hierarchical clustering and etc.) to realize highly accurate FSD.
 - Applying for a paper in top international conferences.

Technique *Gensim(python)/Word2Vec/neural network/machine learning/statistics modeling*

05/2015 – **Sentiment analysis based on lexicon, supervised and ensemble learning**, Big Data and Visual 09/2015 Analytics Lab.

- Compared the difference in feature selection methods (Information gain, CHI and Document frequency).
- Optimized the lexicon based sentiment analysis:
 - Optimized the algorithm by considering intensifying words, negation words, position and punctuations.
- Compared and optimized the supervised approach using machine learning classification algorithms:
 - Compared the difference in feature weight algorithms (Presence, TF and TF-IDF).
 - Compared the difference in classification by using different supervised algorithms (including Multinomial Naive Bayes, KNN, C4.5, SVM and etc.) under different feature selection methods and feature weight algorithms.
- Classified sentiment using lexicon-based ensemble learning methods:
 - Generated features based on various lexicons.
 - Enhanced classification by using ensemble classifiers (including Boosting, Bagging and etc.).

02/2016 – **Data mining and visual analytics.**

Present ○ Data visualization using Gephi to explore small-world network.

03/2016 – **Deep learning**, Big Data and Visual Analytics Lab and Nvidia, team leader.

Present ○ Cooperating with Nvidia Tech. to expand DIGITS (deep learning open source package) for practical application.

Open-source Projects

01/2016 – **QuickNote (a scientific note-taking app)**, *team leader, scrum master, full-stack developer*,

Present <http://quicknote.cc>.

- Product description:
 - Base on MEAN stack and node-webkit technique
 - Monitor and record users' activity data for data analysis and mining to find a scientific way of taking notes
 - Base on machine learning and NLP algorithms to classify notes to build a university ranged but major or topic specific knowledge database
 - Build a user-friendly notes and knowledge sharing environment to facilitate and manage innovation and organisational learning
 - Support a number of distinct features including powerful multimedia, drag and drop, cloud storage and sharing mechanism.
- Embraced and promoted the spirit of open-source.
- Efficiently led the development team to complete a full cycle of the software engineering process.
- Acquired the experience of being a MEAN full-stack developer.
- Highly understood the conflict and change management.
- Highly developed the understanding in the agile development.

05/2016 – **Yigong She (a voluntary worker platform)**, *team leader, full-stack developer*.

Present ○ Product description:

- Base on LAMP stack technique
- Offer two systems, one is for voluntary workers to register and arrange work and the other is for managers to manage the whole team.

○ Promoted charity to students in the university.

Portfolio

QuickNote, <http://panatopos.com/QuickNote>.

- A cross-platform scientific note-taking application
- Open-sourced project, under

Super Delivery (UI design), <http://panatopos.com/SuperDelivery>.

- Won the first award in the university UI competition and highest mark in the HCI module.
- Developed deeper understanding in HCI, UI design and software engineering process.

Interactive games developed with Python, <https://github.com/PAN001/Interactive-Game-using-Python>.

- Integrate the learning process into designing Python-based games.

Scores

GRE 326 (Verbal: 159, Quantitative: 167)

TOEFL 100 (Reading: 29, Listening: 26, Speaking: 20, Writing: 25)

Selected Courses at university

AE1DBS **Database Systems**, first class.

- In-depth knowledge of the relational models of database systems.
- Be able to considerate and effective use MySQL and MongoDB for practical usage.

- AE1WPS **Web Programming and Scripting**, first class.
- In-depth knowledge of the network protocols, layers and models.
 - Adept at designing static and dynamic websites and complete web applications using MEAN stack.
 - Skilled in using scripts to conduct web crawler and information retrieval.
- AE2ADS **Algorithms and Data Structures**, first class.
- In-depth knowledge of common data structures and algorithms.
 - Adept at applying knowledge into practical usage.
- AE2SAD **Software Application Development**, first class.
- In-depth knowledge of modern interface paradigms and design patterns.
 - Adept at designing and writing object-oriented programs and GUIs.
- AE2SEM **Software Engineering Methodologies**, first class.
- In-depth knowledge of modern software development strategy, change and conflict management.
 - Skilled in agile development and productive teamwork.
 - Skilled in software testing and quality assurance.

Selected Completed online Courses

Johns Hopkins	Exploratory Data Analysis	Verified certification URL
Duke	Data Analysis and Statistical Inference	Verified certification URL
Stanford	Mining Massive Datasets	Certification URL
Stanford	Cryptography	Certification URL

Workshop

- 09/2016 **UNNC Teaching & Learning Conference**, *speaker*, The University of Nottingham Ningbo China.
- Give a presentation on introduction to QuickNote and how it will be integrated into daily teaching and learning at the university.

Organization

- 05/2014 – 05/2015 **Student Society Center (SSC)**, *The director of the secretariat department*, The University of Nottingham Ningbo China.
- Organize and managed the secretariat department.
 - Handled the public relations among the organization.
 - Regulated and supervised more than 80 societies and organizations at campus.
 - Organized and directed several university level activities, including: UNNC Open Day, Sports Festival, Art Month and etc.
 - Taking charge of editing and designing UNNC society books;
 - Highly developed the capability of the operation and coordination.
- 09/2014 – Present **Learning Community Fora (LCF)**, *LCF for Computer Science Department*, The University of Nottingham.
- Liaised with all students and represented as students to raise their issues and requests to the academic faculty.
 - Supported the improvement of academic teaching and learning.
 - Obtained the ability of communication and negotiation.
 - Highly developed the sense of responsibility and integrity.