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Education

National University of Singapore

MSC IN DATA SCIENCE

- Natural Language Processing Research

Singapore

July 2022 - January 2024

East China Normal University

BENG IN DATA SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY GPA: 3.77/4.0

- Computer System, Data Science, Machine Learning, Distributed Systems, Database, etc.
- Thesis: Knowledge Distillation based on Code Pre-Trained models (Best Thesis Award)

Shanghai, China

September 2018 - June 2022

Research Experience

Shanghai AI Laboratory

ADVISOR: DR. ZHIYONG WU

- Research Intern: Natural Language Processing

Shanghai, China

June 2023 - Present

Institute for Infocomm Research (I²R), A*STAR

ADVISOR: DR. XIAOLI LI (DEPT. HEAD & PRINCIPAL SCIENTIST)

- Research Intern: AI for Text Data Analytics

Singapore

January 2023 - June 2023

School of Data Science and Engineering, East China Normal University

CO-ADVISORS: PROF. XIANG LI AND PROF. XUESONG LU

- Lightweight Deployment / Interpretability of Code Representation Models
- Parameter-Efficient Learning for NLP

Shanghai, China

October 2021 - October 2022

Honors and Awards

2022	International Algorithm Case Competition: PLM Tuning, Second Prize , Greater Bay Area Shanghai Outstanding Graduates, Shanghai Municipal Education Commission Excellent Bachelor Thesis Award, East China Normal University	RMB 100,000
2021	Outstanding Student, East China Normal University First Class Scholarship, East China Normal University Finalist (Special Class Prize), Mathematical and Interdisciplinary Contest in Modeling	RMB 5000
2020	Third Class Scholarship, East China Normal University Honorable Mention, Mathematical and Interdisciplinary Contest in Modeling	RMB 1,000

Publications

PUBLISHED PAPERS & PREPRINTS

(* indicate equal contribution, part of the manuscripts are currently available upon request due to anonymity requirement)

- [1] Nuo Chen*, **Qiushi Sun***, Renyu Zhu*, Xiang Li, Xuesong Lu and Ming Gao. *CAT-probing: A Metric-based Approach to Interpret How Pre-trained Models for PL Attend Code Structure*. EMNLP 2022, Abu Dhabi, UAE. [\[Paper\]](#) [\[Video\]](#) [\[Slides\]](#)
- [2] Zhangyue Yin, **Qiushi Sun**, Qipeng Guo, Jiawen Wu, Xipeng Qiu and Xuanjing Huang. *Do Large Language Models Know What They Don't Know?* ACL 2023, Toronto, Canada.

- [3] Chengcheng Han, Liqing Cui, Renyu Zhu, Jianing Wang, Nuo Chen, **Qiushi Sun**, Xiang Li and Ming Gao. *When Gradient Descent Meets Derivative-Free Optimization: A Match Made in Black-Box Scenario*. ACL 2023, Toronto, Canada.
- [4] **Qiushi Sun**, Nuo Chen, Jianing Wang, Xiang Li and Ming Gao. *TransCoder: Towards Unified Transferable Code Representation Learning Inspired by Human Skills*. Under-Review of TACL.
- [5] **Qiushi Sun**, Chengcheng Han, Nuo Chen, Renyu Zhu, Jingyang Gong, Xiang Li and Ming Gao. *Make Prompt-based Black-Box Tuning Colorful: Boosting Model Generalization from Three Orthogonal Perspectives*. Preprint.
- [6] Nuo Chen, **Qiushi Sun**, Jianing Wang, Xiang Li and Ming Gao. *Pass-Tuning: Towards Structure-Aware Parameter-Efficient Tuning for Code Representation Learning*. Under-Review of TACL.
- [7] Jianing Wang, **Qiushi Sun**, Nuo Chen, Chengyu Wang, Ming Gao and Jun Huang. *Uncertainty-aware Parameter-Efficient Self-training for Semi-supervised Language Understanding*. Preprint.
- [8] Jianing Wang, Nuo Chen, **Qiushi Sun**, Wenkang Huang, Chengyu Wang and Ming Gao. *HugNLP: A Unified and Comprehensive Library for Natural Language Processing*. Under-Review of ACL 2023 System Demonstration. [\[Paper\]](#)

IN PREP

Qiushi Sun, Nuo Chen, Jianing Wang and Xiaoli Li. *Probe, Attack, and Refinement: An Empirical Study of Code Pre-trained Model Robustness and Interpretability*.

Teaching Experience

Fall 2021 **Teaching Assistant**, Deep Learning for Computer Vision
Instructed by Prof. Xuesong Lu, School of Data Science and Engineering, ECNU

Projects

2020 - 2021 **“DaSE Quora”**, [Portfolio](#)
Supported by Shanghai municipal college student innovation and entrepreneurship project, Design and implement a learning guidance system to assist university students in exploring knowledge points relevant to Prob. theory and DS courses. Utilizing a KG constructed by aggregating knowledge in textbooks and Wikipedia.

Outreach & Professional Development & Skills

OUTREACH

Winter 2021 **Imperial College London**, Winter Exchange
Data Science & Computer Vision, IC Data Science Winter School GPA: 4.0/4.0

SKILLS

Programming/Frameworks/Skills: Python, PyTorch, Keras, SQL, ~~LaTeX~~ LaTeX, Flask, Huggingface, Technical Writing

Languages: Mandarin & Shanghaiese (Native), English (Fluent, TOEFL-108, GRE-334), German (Basic)

RESEARCH INTEREST

My research interests cover several aspects of natural language processing, with my current focus on:

- Efficient Methods for NLP.
- Large Language Models for Code.
- Chain of Thought Reasoning for Large Language Models.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewer for EMNLP 2022, ACL 2023