Daniel Li, Ph.D.

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Education

Columbia University

Area in Computer Science: Natural Language Processing Human Computer Interaction Ph.D Sept. 2018 - Sept. 2022 M.Phil Sept. 2018 - Jan. 2021 Advisor: Prof. Lydia Chilton

University of California, Berkeley

Area in Electrical Engineering & Computer Science

M.Sc. Aug. 2017 - May 2018B.Sc. Aug. 2014 - May 2017Advisor: Prof. Satish Rao

United States Army

Infantry BOLC April 2025
Airborne School Oct. 2023
OCS Commission April 2023

Skills

Military

Light Infantry Weapons: Troop

Leading Procedures
Financial Instruments

Derivatives : Equities : Crypto :

Venture Capital

Trading & Risk Analysis

Discretionary: Technical (Signals)

Frameworks & Libraries

PyTorch: Tensorflow: Hugging Face

Natural Language Processing Summarization : Translation

Design & UI & UX

Figma: Omnigraffle: Prototyping

Awards & Misc.

Google Cloud Grant 2x NVIDIA Grant 5 star Uber passenger rating CS:GO SMFC (2017) Able to see in the dark

Current Position(s)

Proprietary Trading Group¹

Co-Founder (total team of 2)

Trading & Finance

Military Service

March 2017: Present

Mid 7 figure USD accounts, low 8 figure USD notional position sizing.

o Performance: 550% ROI since inception (as of Q1'22)

Dekrypt Capital February 2018 : Present Limited Partner (LP) Venture Capital

o Blockchain and privacy-preserving focused firm, 9 figure USD AUM

United States Army (Active Duty)

1st Lieutenant

MOS: 11A Infantry Officer

October 2022 : Present

o MOS. FTA infantry Officer

Industry Experience

Google Research & Machine IntelligenceMay 2021 : February 2022Researcher @ Cloud Al TranslationNatural Language Processing

Google Research & Machine Intelligence

Researcher @ Google Translate

May 2020 : February 2021

Natural Language Processing

Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer CenterSummer 2019Researcher @ Dana Pe'er LabComputer Vision & Imaging

NEC Research InstituteSummer, Fall 2017Research InternNatural Language Processing

Factual Inc. (Foursquare)

Software Engineering Intern

Summer 2016

Natural Language Processing

Academic Experience

NLP & HCI @ Columbia University August 2019 : September 2022
PhD Researcher @ Computational Design Lab Natural Language Processing

Doctoral Thesis: Enabling Structured Navigation of Longform Spoken Dialog with Automatic Summarization

TA @ UC-Berkeley, Columbia University September 2017 : May 2020 Graduate Student Instructor 6 Semesters

Rao Group @ UC-Berkeley September 2015 : May 2018
Research Assistant Machine Learning & Biology

o Master's Thesis: Adaptive Memory Networks

Selected Publications

Daniel Li*, Thomas Chen*, Albert Tung, Lydia Chilton. Improving Automatic Summarization for Browsing Longform Spoken Dialog. CHI 2023

Daniel Li, Junpei Zhou, Music Li, Lydia Chilton. *Towards Practical Translation Quality Estimation in Bilingual Models.* Under Review.

Daniel Li*, Thomas Chen*, Albert Tung, Lydia Chilton. *Hierarchical Summarization for Longform Spoken Dialog*. **UIST 2021**.

Daniel Li, Te I, Naveen Ari, Colin Cherry, Dirk Padfield. Sentence Boundary Augmentation for Neural Machine Translation Robustness. ICASSP 2021.

Daniel Li, Asim Kadav. Adaptive Memory Networks. ICLR 2018.

¹ Using personal assets among co-founders, currently not incorporated as any entity. Not in any active positions as of Q1'22.