

Dear Admissions Committee,

It is my great pleasure to write the letter of recommendation for Xiaoqin Feng to your esteemed M.S. program in Computer Science. with a focus on Artificial Intelligence. Having worked closely with Xiaoqin as colleagues at Mobvoi for four years, I am continually impressed by her passion for learning, her motivation, and her drive for excellence. I believe that Xiaoqin is exceptionally well-prepared for this next step in her career and would greatly benefit from the advanced education your program offers.

Our close professional relationship and friendship have reinforced my unwavering support for her decision to pursue this path. In my opinion, this choice will not only elevate her career but also transform her professionally. Both of us are members of the Voice Team, where we have collaborated on numerous cutting-edge research projects and engineering initiatives. For instance, starting in 2023, we embarked on developing algorithms for large speech models—a pivotal project for our department. As large models emerged, we faced new challenges that required us to adapt our previous approaches. Together, we overcame these obstacles, rigorously reviewing countless research papers and cultivating fresh perspectives, which were crucial for pioneering new algorithmic research.

Through countless hours of reproducing research, preparing data, and engaging in frequent discussions, I witnessed Xiaoqin’s exceptional qualities firsthand. Her meticulousness in both research and engineering has been foundational to our team’s success. Despite limited resources, she efficiently planned experiments and validations, culminating in the successful development of our own large model—a standout achievement that has strengthened our flagship product. Many of our joint research efforts have also resulted in academic publications and patents, underscoring the impact of our work.

When I learned of her plan to pursue an additional master’s degree, I was initially surprised. However, after an in-depth discussion, I understood her aspirations clearly. Xiaoqin has accumulated substantial experience in product development and research, yet she seeks a rigorous

academic environment to further hone her research skills and to gain the foundation necessary for a potential transition from researcher to product manager. Her goal of pursuing pure research in a top-tier university aligns with her ambition to eventually earn a doctoral degree and possibly pursue a career in academia. Your program is ideally suited to provide her with the research environment and advanced methodologies she desires, and it will be invaluable in guiding her contributions to the field.

Based on our years of collaboration, I am confident that Xiaoqin will excel in your program and will continue to achieve remarkable success in her research. I strongly recommend her for admission to your program and am confident that she will make significant contributions to the field of AI. If you have any questions regarding Xiaoqin, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Yours Sincerely,

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