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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Computer Science, *National University of Singapore*, Singapore

2019-Present

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B.A. in Naval. Arch. & Ocean Eng., Zhejiang University, China

2015-2019

SKILLS

#### Responsible AI:

Familiar with (i) the technical methods for ensuring the social alignment of AI and (ii) the legal and policy aspects of AI regulation.

# Machine Learning (ML):

Experienced with (i) the ML pipeline in Python; (ii) with image, sensor, sequential, language, and FinTech data; and (iii) with vision, NLP, generative, and multimodal models.

#### Statistics:

Big data analysis and structural modelling using the R and Python stack. Experienced with survival modelling, financial default analysis, and social network data analysis.

#### EXPERIENCE

#### Doctoral Researcher, N-CRiPT Centre, NUS, Singapore

2019-Present

- (a) Conduct research in ML and FinTech: (i) guarantee fairness in downstream tasks via pre-trained fair representations, (ii) structural modeling of million online peer-to-peer lending transaction data to estimate default risk, profitability, and discrimination.
- (b) Communicated scientific insights to both academic and industry audience in 9 papers (4 first-authored) and 3+ talks.
- (c) Assisted teaching the course Computational Methods for Business Analytics twice, totally 150+ hours to 200+ undergraduate students. Prepared weekly recap materials, videos, and Q&A sessions.
- (d) Actively contributed (60+ commits) to community-driven projects in NLP, including BIG-Bench, BigScience, and NL-Augmenter, and LLM's Inverse Scaling.
- (e) Worked on responsible AI through (i) the Algorithms, Law, and Policy working group at MD4SG and (ii) facilitating the Responsible, Regutable AI working group at NUS.

# Research Intern, Sea Al Lab, Sea Limited, Singapore

Nov. 2022-Sep. 2023

(a) Worked on finetuning text-to-image diffusion models for fairness, driving collaboration with 5 researchers from 2 institutes (NUS & Sea Al Lab).

## Undergrad Researcher, Second Institute of Oceanography, China

Jul. 2017-Jul. 2019

(a) Worked on the full stack of satellite remote sensing image segmentation using Python & Matlab, incl. data preprocessing, labeling, neural net training and validating.

#### Undergrad Researcher, Waseda University, Japan

Sep. 2018-Feb. 2019

(a) Analyzed the effectiveness of Japan's policy toward the elimination of Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs), and proposed policy recommendations to China.

## Undergrad Researcher, York University, Canada

May-Aug. 2018

(a) Worked on fluid dynamics simulation of a hydrodynamically focused printing process for printed electronics, using COMSOL and FLUENT, in collaboration with 5 other researchers.

# WORKING PAPERS PREPRINTS

La Xudong Shen, Hannah Brown, Jiashu Tao, Martin Strobel, Yao Tong, Akshay Narayan, Harold Soh, Finale Doshi-Velez, "Towards Regulatable Al Systems: Technical Gaps and Policy Opportunities", arXiv:2306.12609, (2023), under review for Communications of the ACM.

- 2. Xudong Shen, Chao Du, Tianyu Pang, Min Lin, Yongkang Wong, Mohan Kankanhalli, "Finetuning Text-to-Image Diffusion Models for Fairness", arXiv:2311.07604, (2023), under review for ICLR 2024.
- 3. Xudong Shen, Tianhui Tan, Tuan Q. Phan, Jussi Keppo, "Improved Identification of Gender Discrimination Drivers in Online P2P Lending", (2023), working paper.
- 4. Ayse Gizem Yasar, ..., Xudong Shen, ..., "Al and the EU Digital Markets Act: Addressing the Risks of Bigness in Generative AI", arXiv:2308.02033, (2023), working paper.

INVITED

- PUBLICATIONS 1. Ziwei Xu, Xudong Shen, Yongkang Wong, Mohan Kankanhalli: "Unsupervised Motion Representation Learning with Capsule Autoencoders". In NeurIPS (2021).
  - 2. Xudong Shen, Yongkang Wong, Mohan Kankanhalli: "Fair Representation: Guaranteeing Approximate Multiple Group Fairness for Unknown Tasks". In IEEE Trans. PAMI (2022).
  - 3. Yizhong Wang, Swaroop Mishra, Pegah Alipoormolabashi, Yeganeh Kordi, ..., Xudong Shen, ...: "Benchmarking Generalization via In-Context Instructions on 1,600+ Language Tasks". In EMNLP (2022).
  - 4. Aarohi Srivastava, Abhinav Rastogi, Abhishek Rao, Abu Awal Md Shoeb, ..., Xudong Shen, ...: "Beyond the Imitation Game: Quantifying and Extrapolating the Capabilities of Language Models". In *JMLR* (2023).
  - 5. Kaustubh D Dhole, Varun Gangal, Sebastian Gehrmann, Aadesh Gupta, ..., Xudong Shen, ...,: "NL-Augmenter: A Framework for Task-Sensitive Natural Language Augmentation". In Northern European Journal of Language Technology (NEJLT) (2023).
  - 6. Xudong Shen, Tianhui Tan, Tuan Q. Phan, Jussi Keppo: "Gender Animus Can Still Exist Under Favorable Disparate Impact: a Cautionary Tale from Online P2P Lending". In ACM Conference on Fairness, Accountability, and Transparency (FAccT) (2023).
  - 7. Ian McKenzie, Alexander Lyzhov, Michael Pieler, Alicia Parrish, ..., Xudong Shen, ..., "Inverse Scaling: When Bigger Isnt Better", In TMLR (2023).

2021

TALKS	N-CRiPT Seminar, National University of Singapore, Singapore	2022
	International Conference on Smart Finance 2022, Online (Hong Kong)	2022
SERVICE	Reviewer: EMNLP 2022, ICLR 2023, WACV 2023, ACL 2023.	
	Area Chair: NeurIPS 2023 Regulatable ML Workshop.	
	Organizer: MD4SG Algorithms, Law, and Policy working group AY 2023/2024 spring term.	
Additional	Master Kong Dream Scholarship Program, Waseda University, Japan	Sep. 2018-Feb. 2019
TRAINING	Globalink Research Internship, York University, Canada	MayAug. 2018
	Erasmus+ Student Mobility, <i>Università di Trento</i> , Italy	FebJun. 2017

Workshop on Enormous Language Models, ICLR 2021, Online

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