Yinpei Dai

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

09/2016 - Present **Tsinghua University**, Beijing, China.

- o M.S. in Information and Communication Engineering, Department of Electronic Engineering .
- Advised by Prof. Zhijian Ou.
- Research interests: dialogue systems, natural language processing, machine learning.

08/2012 - 07/2016 **Tsinghua University**, Beijing, China.

- o B.S. in Mathematics and Physics, Department of Physics.
- Major GPA: 91/100; Overall GPA: 91/100.
- Recipient of the first-class scholarship.
- Bachelor Thesis: Inference and Learning Algorithms for State-space Models.

Research Experience

09/2016 - Present Speech Processing and Machine Intelligence Lab, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China.

Advisor: Prof. Zhijian Ou.

- Generalized traditional representations of dialogue states. Designed new tracking models for flexible information access. (Paper accepted in ICASSP 2018)
- Built a Chinese multi-domain task-oriented dialogue system with enriched dialogue state tracking. Applied for a patent. (Patent code: JBP181115230BJ)
- Studied zero-shot natural language understanding. Proposed new neural CRF models for open-ontology slot filling. (Paper submitted to ICASSP 2019)
- Building reliable customer service dialogue agents for China Mobile Research Institute. (Project code: MCM20170301)

06/2018 - 09/2018 **Dialogue Systems Group**, *University of Cambridge*, Cambridge, U.K.

Advisor: Dr. Milica Gašić.

- o Investigated the performance of different distributed representations and deep neural networks on a big mental health dataset. (Paper accepted in LOUHI 2018)
- Proposed a new VAE model for controllable response generation. Obtained higher BLEU scores than attention-based Seq2Seq and CopyNet.

10/2014 - 07/2016 Speech Processing and Machine Intelligence Lab, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China

Advisor: Prof. Zhijian Ou.

- Studied approximation methods for inference and learning in state-space models.
- Proposed a new algorithm based on stochastic approximation and mixture sampling. Achieved better performance than Gibbs sampling, forward-backward, PMCMC.

Publications

- [1] Lina Maria Rojas-Barahona, Bo-Hsiang Tseng, **Yinpei Dai**, Clare Mansfield, Osman Ramadan, Stefan Ultes, Michael Crawford, and Milica Gasic. Deep learning for language understanding of mental health concepts derived from cognitive behavioural therapy. In *Proceedings of the Ninth International Workshop on Health Text Mining and Information Analysis (LOUHI 2018), Brussels, Belgium*.
- [2] **Yinpei Dai**, Zhijian Ou, Dawei Ren, and Pengfei Yu. Tracking of enriched dialog states for flexible conversational information access. In 2018 IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP 2018), Calgary, Canada.
- [3] **Yinpei Dai**, Yichi Zhang, Zhijian Ou, Yanmeng Wang, and Junlan Feng. Elastic crfs for open-ontology slot filling. In 2019 IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing, (ICASSP 2019). **Currently Under Review**.

Teaching Experience

Teaching assistant

Fall 2016 30230783 Probability and Stochastic Processes (2), THU.

Spring 2017 30230742 Probability and Stochastic Processes (1), THU.

Fall 2017 30230672 Computer Program Design (1), THU.

Spring 2018 80230652 Theory and Applications of Probabilistic Graphical Models, THU.

Invited Talk

10/2014 IVIP Group, Tsinghua University, Beijing.Gave a talk on advanced Markov Chain Monte Carlo algorithms.

Honors and Memberships

03/2018 - Present **IEEE student membership**.

03/2018 - Present IEEE Signal Processing Society (SPS) student membership.

 $12/2014 \quad \textbf{National Scholarship}, \ Tsinghua \ University.$

First-class scholarship

12/2013 **Samsung Scholarship**, Tsinghua University.

Skills

Programming Python, C/C++, Java, Matlab, Shell, MySQL, HTML, LATEX, etc.

Python Package Tensorflow, Pytorch, Django, Scrapy, etc.