Yinpei Dai

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

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

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

2012 - 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 national scholarship.
- Bachelor Thesis: Inference and Learning Algorithms for State-space Models.

Research Experience

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

Advisor: Prof. Zhijian Ou.

- Generalized the traditional representations of dialogue states. Designed new dialogue state 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)

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

Advisor: Dr. Milica Gašić.

- 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 BLUE scores than attention-based Seg2Seg and CopyNet.

2014 - 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 Fundamentals of computer programming, 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

- 2018 Present **IEEE student membership**.
- 2018 Present IEEE Signal Processing Society (SPS) student membership.
 - 2014 **Haodushu Scholarship**, Tsinghua University, First-class national scholarship.
 - 2013 **Samsung Scholarship**, Tsinghua University.

Skills

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

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