

WORK EXPERIENCE

AUG. 2023-PRESENT

LLM Research Engineer

Bloomberg AI, NYC, USA

- · Benchmarking open-sourced large language models (LLMs) on finance-related benchmarks
- Finetuning LLMs on specific finance-related tasks
- · Continued pre-training LLMs to inject financial domain knowledge
- · Building retrieval systems and leveraging retrieval in model training and evaluation
- Supporting production teams to use LLMs in products

EDUCATION

AUG. 2018-AUG. 2023

Ph.D. in Computer Science

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, USA Advised by Mohit Bansal

- Research topic was natural language processing (NLP)
- Mainly focused on language generation, including question generation, machine translation, summarization, and language modeling
- Thesis: Towards Reliable and Inclusive Natural Language Generation

SEP. 2011-MAR. 2018

M.E. and B.E. in Communication Engineering

Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications, Beijing, China

INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

MAY 2022-AUG. 2022

Software Engineer Intern

Bloomberg AI, NYC, USA

Supervised by Ozan Irsoy, Steven Lu, Shijie Wu, David Rosenberg, and Mark Dredze

- · Worked on language modeling
- To overcome the over-generalization problem of MLE-trained LMs, we propose a novel training objective, MixCE, that combines forward and reverse cross-entropies

MAY 2021-AUG. 2021

Research Intern

Facebook AI, remote from Chapel Hill, USA

Supervised by Vishrav Chaudhary and Francisco (Paco) Guzmán

- · Worked on multilingual tokenization
- Analyzed how downstream translation performance is affected by the language imbalance in the data used to train a multilingual tokenizer

JUNE 2020-AUG. 2020

Research Intern

Microsoft Research, remote from Chapel Hill, USA

Supervised by Asli Celikyilmaz

- · Worked on email thread summarization
- Collected a dataset with email threads and human-written summaries, and benchmarked multiple generation models on this dataset

SEP. 2016-JUNE 2018

Research Intern

CSLT at Tsinghua University, Beijing, China Supervised by Dong Wang and Yang Feng

- · Worked on machine translation
- Augmented neural machine translation models with a memory component that stores discrete dictionary information

SELECTED AWARDS

- 2023 EECS Rising Star
- 2021 Bloomberg Data Science PhD Fellowship
- 2015 Excellent Graduate
- 2014, 2013 National Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

- David Wan, **Shiyue Zhang**, and Mohit Bansal. *HistAlign: Improving Context Dependency in Language Generation by Aligning with History* EMNLP 2023
- Shiyue Zhang, Shijie Wu, Ozan Irsoy, Steven Lu, Mohit Bansal, Mark Dredze and David Rosenberg. *MixCE: Training Autoregressive Language Models by Mixing Forward and Reverse Cross-Entropies* ACL 2023
- Derek Tam, Anisha Mascarenhas, **Shiyue Zhang**, Sarah Kwan, Mohit Bansal, Colin Raffel. *Evaluating the Factual Consistency of Large Language Models Through Summarization* Findings of ACL 2023
- 2023 **Shiyue Zhang***, David Wan*, and Mohit Bansal. *Extractive is not Faithful: An Investigation of Broad Unfaithfulness Problems in Extractive Summarization* ACL 2023
- Swarnadeep Saha, **Shiyue Zhang**, Peter Hase, Mohit Bansal. *Summarization Programs: Interpretable Abstractive Summarization with Neural Modular Trees* ICLR 2023
- 2022 Xiang Zhou, **Shiyue Zhang**, and Mohit Bansal. *Masked Part-Of-Speech Model: Does modeling long context help unsupervised POS-tagging?* NAACL 2022
- 2022 Yinuo Hu*, **Shiyue Zhang***, Viji Sathy, A. T. Panter, and Mohit Bansal. *SETSum: Summarization and Visualization of Student Evaluations of Teaching* NAACL Demo 2022
- 2022 **Shiyue Zhang**, Vishrav Chaudhary, Naman Goyal, James Cross, Guillaume Wenzek, Mohit Bansal, and Francisco Guzman. *How Robust is Neural Machine Translation to Language Imbalance in Multilingual Tokenizer Training?* AMTA 2022
- 2022 **Shiyue Zhang**, Benjamin Frey, and Mohit Bansal. *How can NLP Help Revitalize Endangered Languages? A Case Study and Roadmap for the Cherokee Language* ACL 2022 Theme Track
- 2021 **Shiyue Zhang** and Mohit Bansal. *Finding a Balanced Degree of Automation for Summary Evaluation* EMNLP 2021
- 2021 **Shiyue Zhang**, Benjamin Frey, and Mohit Bansal. *Cherokee-English Machine Translation Demo with Quality Estimation and Corrective Feedback* ACL Demo 2021, [News: The sanctity of Cherokee]
- 2021 **Shiyue Zhang**, Asli Celikyilmaz, Jianfeng Gao, and Mohit Bansal. *EmailSum: Abstractive Email Thread Summarization* ACL 2021
- 2021 Zineng Tang, **Shiyue Zhang**, Hyounghun Kim, and Mohit Bansal. *Continuous Language Generative Flow* ACL 2021
- 2020 **Shiyue Zhang**, Benjamin Frey, and Mohit Bansal. *ChrEn: Cherokee-English Machine Translation for Endangered Language Revitalization* EMNLP 2020
- Peter Hase, **Shiyue Zhang**, Harry Xie, and Mohit Bansal. *Leakage-Adjusted Simulatability: Can Models Generate Non-Trivial Explanations of Their Behavior in Natural Language?* Findings of EMNLP 2020
- 2019 **Shiyue Zhang** and Mohit Bansal. *Addressing Semantic Drift in Question Generation for Semi-Supervised Question Answering* EMNLP 2019

- 2018 Jiyuan Zhang, Zheling Zhang, Shiyue Zhang, and Dong Wang. VV-Couplet: An open source Chinese couplet generation system APSIPA ASC 2018
- 2017 Lantian Li, Zhiyuan Tang, Dong Wang, Andrew Abel, Yang Feng, and **Shiyue Zhang**. *Collaborative learning for language and speaker recognition* NCMMSC 2017
- 2017 Yang Feng, **Shiyue Zhang**, Andi Zhang, Dong Wang, and Andrew Abel. *Memory-augmented Neural Machine Translation* EMNLP 2017
- 2017 **Shiyue Zhang**, Gulnigar Mahmut, Dong Wang, and Askar Hamdulla. *Memory-augmented Chinese-Uyghur Neural Machine Translation* APSIPA ASC 2017
- 2017 Aodong Li, **Shiyue Zhang**, Dong Wang, and Thomas Fang Zheng. *Enhanced Neural Machine Translation by Learning from Draft* APSIPA ASC 2017
- Jiyuan Zhang, Yang Feng, Dong Wang, Yang Wang, Andrew Abel, **Shiyue Zhang**, and Andi Zhang. *Flexible and Creative Chinese Poetry Generation Using Neural Memory* ACL 2017
- Dong Wang, Thomas Fang Zheng, Zhiyuan Tang, Ying Shi, Lantian Li, **Shiyue Zhang**, Hongzhi Yu, Guanyu Li, Shipeng Xu, Askar Hamdulla, Mijit Ablimit, and Gulnigar Mahmut. *M2ASR: Ambitions and first year progress* O-COCOSDA 2017
- 2017 Zhiyuan Tang, Ying Shi, Dong Wang, Yang Feng, **Shiyue Zhang**. *Memory visualization for gated recurrent neural networks in speech recognition* ICASSP 2017

TECHNICAL REPORTS

- 2017 **Shiyue Zhang**, Pengtao Xie, Dong Wang, and Eric P. Xing. *Medical Diagnosis From Laboratory Tests by Combining Generative and Discriminative Learning* on arXiv
- 2017 Yang Wang, Dong Wang, Shiyue Zhang, Yang Feng, Shiyao Li, and Qiang Zhou. Deep Q-trading

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

AREA CHAIR EACL 2024, NAACL 2024, EMNLP 2024

SESSION CHAIR AMTA 2022

REVIEWER ACL Rolling Review, NSF Proposal

CONFERENCE REVIEWER ACI 2023, EMNLP 2021/2022, COLING 2022, AAAI 2020/2022, AKBC 2020/2022

JOURNAL REVIEWER Natural Language Engineering (JNLE)

WORKSHOP REVIEWER SRW@ACL 2020/2021, Eval4NLP 2020/2021, SRW@EACL 2023

SKILLS

Deep Learning Frameworks: PyTorch, TensorFlow

Programming Languages: Python

Speaking Languages: Chinese (Native), English (Full Professional Proficiency)