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Education

University of Colorado Boulder, USA Aug. 2016 - Present
Advisor: Michael J. Paul, Jordan Boyd-Graber; 4th year Computer Science PhD student

University of Tokyo, Japan Sep. 2014
M.S. in Information Science and Technology; Advisor: Akiko Aizawa

International Christian University, Japan Mar. 2012
B.A. in Computer Science and Mathematics; Advisor: Grant Poghosyan

Professional Experience

Applied Scientist Intern, Amazon Web Services Inc, USA May 2020 - Present
• On-going

Teaching Assistant, University of Colorado Boulder, USA Jan. 2020 - May 2020
• Teaching assistant for “CSCI 2270 Data Structures” class

Research Assistant, University of Colorado Boulder, USA Aug. 2016 - Dec. 2019
• Proposed an intrinsic measure to evaluate cross-lingual word embeddings, showing that the measure is correlated to multiple cross-lingual downstream tasks.
• Analyzed Zika-related multilingual tweets using a polylingual topic model.

Applied Scientist Intern, Amazon.com, USA May 2018 - Aug. 2018
• Built a cross-lingual slot tagger for a dialogue system using cross-lingual embedding as the feature for LSTM-CRF with a language-adversarial objective function.
• The trained cross-lingual slot tagger is superior to the baseline trained only on target language only when the training data size is small.

Software Engineer, Amazon/A9.com, Japan Oct. 2014 - Aug. 2016
• Built a JA/ZH language detector for search queries with recall > 0.8 .
• Built a semi-supervised CRF-based Japanese query label tagger with $F1 = 0.91$.

Software Engineer Intern, Amazon/A9.com, Japan Nov. 2013 - Feb. 2014
• The first search engineer to intern at Amazon Japan.
• Detected JA-EN transliteration pairs with $F1 > 0.9$ using the EM algorithm.

Part-time Engineer, Atilika, Japan Aug.- Nov. 2013, Apr.- Sep. 2014
• Built a dictionary with 8000+ product names for JA named entity extractor.
• Built an EN to JA transliteration generator. Achieved accuracy@1 $\approx 60\%$.

Software Engineer Intern, Cookpad, Japan July 2013 (one month)
• Built a recommendation system for related topics on the community site. Accomplished approximately 1.5% of the whole user click rate.

Publications

- Mozhi Zhang*, Yoshinari Fujinuma*, Michael J. Paul, Jordan Boyd-Graber: “Why Overfitting Isn’t Always Bad: Retrofitting Cross-Lingual Word Embeddings to

- Dictionaries”, Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2020
- Mozhi Zhang, Yoshinari Fujinuma, Jordan Boyd-Graber: “Exploiting Cross-Lingual Subword Similarities in Low-Resource Document Classification”, Thirty-Fourth AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2020
 - Yoshinari Fujinuma, Jordan Boyd-Graber, Michael J. Paul: “A Resource-Free Evaluation Metric for Cross-Lingual Word Embeddings based on Graph Modularity”, Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2019
 - Dasha Pruss, Yoshinari Fujinuma, Ashlynn R. Daughton, Michael J. Paul, Brad Arnot, Danielle Albers Szafr, Jordan Boyd-Graber: “Zika discourse in the Americas: A multilingual topic analysis of Twitter”, PLOS ONE, 2019
 - Yoshinari Fujinuma, Alvin Grissom II: “Substring Frequency Features for Segmentation of Japanese Katakana Words with Unlabeled Corpora”, International Joint Conference on Natural Language Processing (IJCNLP), 2017
 - Yoshinari Fujinuma, Hikaru Yokono, Pascual Martínez-Gómez, Akiko Aizawa: “Distant-supervised Language Model for Detecting Emotional Upsurge on Twitter”, The 29th Pacific Asia Conference on Language, Information and Computation (PACLIC), 2015

*denotes equal contribution

Selected Past Projects	Intrinsic Evaluation Measure for Cross-Lingual Embeddings 2017 - 2019	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developed a graph-based intrinsic measure to evaluate the quality of cross-lingual word embeddings. • Paper link: https://www.aclweb.org/anthology/P19-1489 	
	Multilingual Topic Model on Zika tweets 2017 - 2018	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigated whether Polylingual LDA outputs both monolingually and cross-lingually coherent topics given small number (1%) of aligned tweets. • Paper link: https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0216922 	
	Finite State Transducer (FST) for Kuromoji 2015	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replaced a double-array trie to an FST to build a dictionary for Kuromoji, a java-based Japanese tokenizer used in Lucene, Solr, and Elastic Search. • Code available at https://github.com/atilika/fst 	
Academic Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program Committee: Workshop on Noisy User-Generated Text (W-NUT) 2019 • Secondary Reviewer: ACL 2019, EMNLP 2017, WWW 2017 	
Academic Honors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Travel Grant (CU Boulder) 2017 • Dean’s Fellowship (CU Boulder) 2016 • Best Bachelor thesis in CS and Math (Gödel Foundation Prize) 2012 	
Computer and Language Skills	<u>Languages:</u>	Proficient: Python, Java; Intermediate: C++, Pig, Go
	<u>Software:</u>	PyTorch, Git, Vim, L ^A T _E X, MySQL
	<u>English:</u>	TOEFL iBT 101 (2015)
	<u>Domain-specific:</u>	machine learning, natural language processing