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Research Interests

Spoken Dialogue Systems, Dialogue Modelling, Reinforcement Learning, Reward Inferencing, Deep Learning, Natural Language Processing, Computer-Assisted Language Learning

EDUCATION

OCT 2014- University of Cambridge, Cambridge, U.K.

Ph.D. in Engineering | Dialogue Systems Group | Queens' College

Supervisor: Professor Steve Young

Research: Utilising deep learning methods for improving RL-based dialogue modelling

June 2013 National Taiwan University (NTU), Taipei, Taiwan

M.Sc. in Communication Engineering | Digital Speech Processing Lab

Supervisor: Professor Lin-shan LEE

Thesis: Personalised dialogue game for pronunciation training, GPA: 4.0/4.0

Jan 2012 B.Sc. in Electrical Engineering

Advisor: Professor Lin-shan LEE

Focused on speech processing and dialogue game, GPA: 3.9/4.0

Awards and Honors

2016 W. G. Collins Endowment Fund Award, Cambridge University Engineering Dept.

2015 Interspeech 2015 travel grant, ISCA

2014-17 Taiwan Cambridge Scholarship, Cambridge Trust & MOE, Taiwan

2014 Government Scholarship for Studying Abroad, MOE, Taiwan

2012 Advanced Speech Technologies Scholarship, EECS, NTU

2008 Dean's List, NTU

RESEARCH AND WORK EXPERIENCE

2014- Ph.D. Student at Dialogue Systems Group, Cambridge

Deep Learning for Policy Optimisation in Spoken Dialogue Systems

Utilise deep and reinforcement learning methods for modelling sequential interaction. Focus on inferencing reward from user goal in real world for online dialogue policy optimisation and speedup. The model's scalability to multi-domains is also emphasised [C1-C4].

2016 | Teaching Assistant, Cambridge

Course: Statistical spoken dialogue systems (20+ master students)

2011-2013 | Research Assistant at Digital Speech Processing Lab, NTU

Personalized Dialogue Game for Computer-Assisted Language Learning

Designed a dialogue game for non-native Chinese learners using statistical dialogue manager and pronunciation evaluator (http://chinese.ntu.edu.tw/). The system recommended personalized sentences for practicing during the dialogue [J1, C4-C6, D1, T1].

2012, 2013 | Teaching Assistant, NTU

Course: Introduction to Digital Speech Processing (160+ enrolled students)

Course: Special Project on Digital Speech Processing (topics on dialogue systems)

SUMMER 2012 | Software Eng. Intern at Trend Micro Inc., Taipei

Designed automatic stress testing cases for business cloud storage setup process to confirm system stability. Awarded Best Intern in the final evaluation.

PUBLICATIONS

Journal:

1. P.-h. Su, C.-h. Wu, and L.-s. Lee, "A Recursive Dialogue Game for Personalized Computer-Aided Pronunciation Training", *IEEE Transactions on Audio, Speech and Language Processing, Jan. 2015*

CONFERENCE: Main work only, see the full list of my publications in Google Scholar page.

- 1. P.-H. Su, M. Gasic, N. Mrksic, L. Rojas, S. Ultes, D. Vandyke, T.-H. Wen and S. Young, "On-line Active Reward Learning for Policy Optimisation in Spoken Dialogue Systems", *Proc. ACL 2015*
- 2. D. Vandyke, **P.-H. Su**, M. Gasic, N. Mrksic, T.-H. Wen and S. Young, "Multi-Domain Dialogue Success Classifiers for Policy Training", *Proc. ASRU 2015*
- 3. P.-H. Su, D. Vandyke, M. Gasic, N. Mrksic, T.-H. Wen and S. Young, "Reward Shaping with Recurrent Neural Networks for Speeding up On-Line Policy Learning in Spoken Dialogue Systems", *Proc. SigDial* 2015
- 4. P.-H. Su, D. Vandyke, M. Gasic, D. Kim, N. Mrksic, T.-H. Wen and S. Young, "Learning from Real Users: Rating Dialogue Success with Neural Networks for Reinforcement Learning in Spoken Dialogue Systems", *Proc. Interspeech* 2015
- 5. **P.-h. Su**, T.-h. Yu, Y.-Y. Su, and L.-s. Lee, "A Cloud-based Personalized Recursive Dialogue Game System for Computer-Assisted Language Learning", *Proc. SLaTe 2013*
- 6. **P.-h. Su**, T.-h. Yu, Y.-Y. Su, and L.-s. Lee, "NTU Chinese 2.0: A Personalized Recursive Dialogue Game for Computer-Assisted Language Learning", *Proc. SLaTe (Demo) 2013*
- 7. **P.-h. Su**, Y.-B. Wang, T.-H. Wen, T.-h. Yu, and L.-s. Lee, "A Recursive Dialogue Game Framework with Optimal Policy Offering Personalized Computer-Assisted Language Learning", *Proc. Interspeech* 2013
- 8. P.-h. Su, Y.-B. Wang, T.-h. Yu, and L.-s. Lee, "A Dialogue Game Framework with Personalized Training using Reinforcement Learning for Computer-Assisted Language Learning", *Proc. ICASSP* 2013

THESIS:

1. P.-h. Su, "A Dialogue Game Framework Offering Personalized Pronunciation Training for Computer-Assisted Language Learning", Master Thesis, National Taiwan University, June 2013

Talk:

- 1. "Transfer Learning", Cambridge University MLG Seminar, with Yingzhen Li, Feb. 2015
- 2. "On-line Active Reward Learning for Policy Optimisation in Spoken Dialogue Systems", Toshiba Research Cambridge, June 2016
- 3. "Practical and Scalable Reinforcement Learning for Spoken Dialogue Systems", Academia Sinica Taiwan, 21 June 2016
- 4. "Practical and Scalable Reinforcement Learning for Spoken Dialogue Systems", NTU Speech Lab, 24 June 2016

Proficiency and Other

PROGRAMMING: C/C++, Objective-C, MATLAB, Python, HTML5, Shell Script, LATEX LANGUAGE: English (fluent), Chinese (native), Taiwanese (native), German (basic)

Interests: Technology, Bass, Guitar, Travelling

Leadership: Vice President, Cambridge Taiwanese Society