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# Chang Ma

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Senior undergraduate at Peking University, focusing on various machine learning topics.

**Areas of expertise:** Representation Learning, Natural Language Processing, Computational Biology

## EXPERIENCE

### Research Assistant Sigma Lab

July 2019 —  
Peking University

- Supervised by Prof. Zhihong Deng.
- Work on Representation Learning via information theory, and its application in domain adaptation, adversarial robustness, and pre-training. Previously worked on optimization mechanism of gates in LSTM models.
- Research results include two papers under review.

### Research Intern DeepGraph Lab

January 2021 —  
MILA - Quebec AI Institute

- Supervised by Prof. Jian Tang.
- **Project Protein-ligand Docking:** use geometric learning methods as well as bi-level optimization negative sampling technique to dock small molecules on proteins. Achieve results comparable to SOTA.
- **Development of the TorchDrug Platform:** work on a general geometric learning platform that aims at making AI-based drug discovery accessible to all scientists.
- **Project Multi-task Learning on Proteins:** pre-train protein language models with multi-task learning on various protein tasks. The project will be released on TorchDrug platform.

### Research Collaboration NAIL Lab

June 2021 — October 2021  
Nanyang Technology University

- Supervised by Prof. Ahn Tuan Luu.
- **Project QA Generation:** generate coherent question-answer pair from unstructured text with mutual information maximization.
- **Project Certified Robustness:** provide certified robustness for general text perturbation on large pre-trained models.

## EDUCATION

**PhD, Computer Science**, HongKong University, co-advised by Prof. Lingpeng Kong and Prof. Tao Yu **September 2022(expected)–**  
**Bachelor of Science, Machine Intelligence Major**, Peking University, GPA: 3.58/4.0 **September 2021 — July 2022(expected)**

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Programming/Scripting** Python, C++, Javascript, PyTorch, LaTeX  
**English** Toefl 110/120, GRE 330/340

## PUBLICATIONS

- Domain Adaptation via Maximizing Surrogate Mutual Information
- a student abstract under review in AAAI 2022 (on few-shot text generation)
- invited talk at IJTCS 2021, CTM sub-conference (on forgetting mechanism)

## AWARDS & HONORS

**2019** First Prize ( **National Mathematical Modeling Competition for College Students** )  
**2019** Honorable Mention ( **Mathematical Contest In Modeling** )  
**2020** Peking University Learning Excellence Award

## SERVICE

**2021** Teaching assistant for course "Introduction to Artificial Intelligence — Natural Language Processing"