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08/2020 - present

Charlottesville, VA

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# Chao Jiang

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RESEARCH

INTERESTS

756 W Peachtree St NW **INFORMATION** Georgia Institute of Technology

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Natural Language Processing, Machine Learning and Social Media

**EDUCATION** Georgia Institute of Technology

Ph.D. student in Computer Science

Advisor: Professor Wei Xu

The Ohio State University Columbus, OH Ph.D. student in Computer Science and Engineering 08/2018 - 08/2020

Advisor: Professor Wei Xu

University of Virginia Master in Computer Science

GPA: 3.97

Tianjin University Tianjin, China Bachelor of Engineering in Communication Engineering 09/2011 - 07/2015 GPA: 83.12/100 (87.27/100 in junior and senior years)

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- [1] Neural CRF Model for Sentence Alignment in Text Simplification Chao Jiang, Mounica Maddela, Wuwei Lan, Yang Zhong and Wei Xu ACL 2020, long paper (acceptance rate 22.7%)
- [2] Discourse Level Factors for Sentence Deletion in Text Simplification Yang Zhong, Chao Jiang, Wei Xu and Junyi Jessy Li AAAI 2020, long paper (acceptance rate 20.6%; oral presentation)
- [3] Learning Word Embeddings for Low-Resource Languages by PU Learning Chao Jiang, Hsiang-Fu Yu, Cho-Jui Hsieh and Kai-Wei Chang NAACL-HLT 2018, long paper (oral presentation)

## RESEARCH **EXPERIENCE**

# Neural CRF Model for Sentence Alignment

08/2018 - 05/2020

Ph.D. Research Project at The Ohio State University

- Develop a neural CRF sentence alignment model and a paragraph alignment algorithm to accurately align sentences between complex-simple parallel articles pairs.
- Create two manually annotated sentence-aligned datasets that enable the first systematic study for training and evaluating monolingual sentence alignment.
- Construct two text simplification datasets which are of higher quality and largest to date in their respective domains.

#### PU Learning for Word Embedding

01/2017 - 12/2017

Research Project at the University of Virginia

• Leverage Positive and Unlabeled (PU) Learning approach to improve word embedding models in the low-resource languages.

#### **PROJECT EXPERIENCE**

# Event Extraction from Arabic Text (BETTER)

06/2020 - present

Funding Project at Georgia Tech

- Collaborate with researchers from Brown University and University of Pennsylvania to develop techniques that can better extract and retrieve information across multiple languages and problem domains.
- Develop a 5-stage pipeline system to extract events from Arabic text using transfer learning techniques and further boost the performance with an ensemble approach.
- Routinely handle evaluation on information extraction and achieve the 2nd place in the basic evaluation.

#### AWARDS

• AAAI-2020 Student Scholarship

2020

- Outstanding Graduate Thesis in Tianjin University (top 5% in university) 2015
- Honorable Mention Prize of Mathematical Contest in Modeling (MCM) 2014

02/2020

- Second Prize of China Undergraduate Mathematical Contest in Modeling(CUMCM) (top 2% in China) 2013
- Merit Student Scholarship in School of Electronic Information Engineering (top 15% in school) 2013

### ACADEMIC **ACTIVITIES**

- Guest Lecturer at CSE 5525 Speech and Language Processing
- Poster presentation at OSU CSE Student Research Poster Exhibition 02/2020
- Poster presentation at Mid-Atlantic Student Colloquium on Speech, Language 05/2017and Learning
- Teaching Assistant
  - CSE 2331 Data Structures and Algorithms 08/2018 12/2018, The Ohio State University
  - CS 4501-003 Machine Learning 01/2018 - 05/2018, University of Virginia
- Reviewer for ACL 2020, 2019; AAAI 2020; COLING 2020

#### REFERENCES

Professor Wei Xu

- Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science and Engineering at The Ohio State University
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Professor Kai-Wei Chang

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