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EDUCATION

Peking University

Sept. 2021 - Jun. 2024

Institute of Applied Linguistics - Natural Language Processing

Master

▶ Key Courses: computational linguistics, data structures, data mining and analysis, corpus linguistics

School of Computer Science - Computer Intelligence

Graduate-Level Curriculum

▶ Key Courses: multimodal learning (language and vision), semantic computation, knowledge retrieval

LMU Munich

Sept. 2019 - Aug. 2020

School of Language and Literature - Linguistics

Exchange Funded by National Scholarship

▶ Key Courses: language and cognition, generative syntax, distributed morphology, lexicology

Nanjing University

Sept. 2017 - Jun. 2021

Department of German Studies - Germanic Linguistics

Bachelor

▶ Key Courses: syntactic parsing, pragmatics

RESEARCH INTERESTS

LLM&VLM: generative pretraining, multimodal grounding & reasoning, lifelong learning

NLG&AIGC: creative text/visual generation (story, visual narrative), interactive dialogue agents

NLP+: LM + linguistic insights, LM + cognition, applications for social good

Efficiency: data-centric active learning, knowledge distillation

PUBLICATIONS

Shengguang Wu, Mei Yuan, Qi Su. (in <u>EMNLP-2023-Findings</u>). "DiffuVST: Narrating Fictional Scenes with Global-History-Guided Denoising Models." [PDF]

Shengguang Wu, Keming Lu, Benfeng Xu, Junyang Lin, Qi Su, Chang Zhou. (submitted to <u>NAACL-2024</u>, on ArXiv-2023). "DiverseEvol: Self-Evolved Diverse Sampling for Efficient Instruction Tuning." [PDF]

Shengguang Wu, Zhenglun Chen, Qi Su. (submitted to <u>AAAI-2024</u>, on <u>ArXiv-2023</u>). "Knowledge-Aware Artifact Image Synthesis with LLM-Enhanced Prompting and Multi-Source Supervision." [PDF]

Jinze Bai, ..., Shengguang Wu, ..., Tianhang Zhu et al. (on ArXiv-2023). "Qwen Technical Report." [PDF]

Shengguang Wu, Lingling Chang. (in <u>Language, Technology and Culture, 2022</u>, pp. 241-256). "Complex PATH-Constructions in German and Chinese: An Investigation of Their Cognitive Basis and Derivation Structure from a Neo-Constructionist Grammar Perspective. [title translated from German]." [BOOK]

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Institute for Artificial Intelligence, Peking University
Research Assistant in NLP and Multimodality

Nov. 2021 - present mentored by Prof. Qi Su

- Diffusion-Based Visual Storytelling with Global Guidance: Proposed an extended DiffusionLM featuring bidirectional textual history guidance and multimodal adapters to generate a coherent story that narrates a sequence of images.
 → Superior performance across NLG metrics at a massively faster inference speed compared to strong baselines. (PAPER, published in EMNLP-2023-Findings).
- * Knowledge-Aware Artifact Image Synthesis with LLM-Enhanced Prompting and Multi-Source Supervision: Proposed an artifact image recovery system that accurately generates images of lost artifacts adhering to historical knowledge. \rightarrow Significant improvement across automatic metrics and in human evaluation. (PAPER, submitted to AAAI-2024; on ArXiv-2023).

- * Advancing Pragmatic Interactions with LLMs: Introduced an in-depth analysis of conversational implicatures within LLMs, followed by strategic enhancements in alignment-tuning and inference to elevate their pragmatic understanding and response mechanisms. \mapsto More human-like conversational interactions due to the model's refined grasp of pragmatics. (technical paper in progress).
- ® Enhancing Logic Puzzle Solving via Graph-Guided LLM Agent: Proposed a graph-structured system to search for the optimal path linking diverse intermediate reasoning steps toward solving a logic puzzle. → Substantial accuracy boost over baseline LLM on logic puzzle problems. (technical paper in progress).

DAMO Academy, Alibaba Inc.

Mar. 2023 - present

Research Intern in Foundation LLM - Qwen Team

mentored by Junyang Lin

- * Self-Evolving Diverse Sampling for Efficient Instruction Tuning: Proposed an iterative sampling system based on diversity measures to select the most effective instruction data that continuously improves model capability without any external supervision. \mapsto Superior performance with less than 8% of the original data size across various source datasets and multiple benchmarks. (PAPER, submitted to NAACL-2024; on ArXiv-2023).
- * Large-Scale Supervised Finetuning (SFT) with MoE for Human-Alignment: Collaboratively applied large-scale SFT to cover highly diverse user queries. → Routinely updated our foundation LLM's dialogue ability to meet user expectations and achieve superior performance across benchmarks. (PAPER, on ArXiv-2023, open-sourced version: Qwen(-Chat)).

AI-Lab NLP&Research, ByteDance (TikTok) Inc.

Jul. 2022 - Feb. 2023

Research&Development Intern in NLP

mentored by Runkai Yang and Dr. Yuan Lin

- * Fine-Grained NLI System with Mixture of Experts (MoE): Built a fine-grained rumor & harmfulmessage detection pipeline with multi-level multi-label NLI model and mixture of problem-tag experts (MoE) deployed on multiple company apps (TikTok, Toutiao, etc.). \mapsto Achieved a gain of 5%-20% in precision rate.
- * Deep Active Learning: Proposed deep active learning strategies based on predictive uncertainty and clustering to iteratively reduce data-labeling labor for model update. \mapsto Reduced training data size by 60%-70% in NLI training for similar/better performance.

OTHER RESEARCH PROJECTS

- * User-Controllable Diverse Image Captioning: Proposed a user-controllable image captioner based on FasterRCNN&BottomTopLSTM by explicitly fusing encoded macro-textual attributes into the decoder. → Better performance across metrics on COCO-Caption, while allowing diverse user-control of caption texts.
- ★ Archaic → Modern Chinese Unsupervised Machine Translation: Proposed a fully unsupervised translation model between archaic and modern Chinese with a shared bilingual encoder and two language-specific decoders trained by denoising and backtranslation. (Dec. 2021)

SKILLS

Languages

Mandarin Chinese: native

TOEFL-iBT: 118 (R30/L30/S30/W28); IELTS: 8.0 (S8.0) English:

German: TestDaf: 100% full marks (TDN5)

Programming

Python, SQL, HTML. Docker, Git, Linux, MacOS, Windows.

PyTorch, Megatron, Deepspeed. Scikit-Learn, Numpy, SciPy, Pandas, NLTK, SpaCy.

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

First Prize for Outstanding Bachelor Thesis Award, Nanjing University Outstanding Student Leader Award, Nanjing University

Jun. 2021

Dec. 2018

National Scholarship for International Exchange, CSC

Sept. 2019 - Aug. 2020