

# Ting-Wei Lu

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## Education

### Cornell Tech

M.S. in Information Systems and Applied Information Science

New York City, US

Aug. 2021 - Present

### National Taiwan University

B.S. in Engineering Science and Ocean Engineering (GPA: 3.77/4.0)

Taipei, Taiwan

Sep. 2016 - Aug. 2020

## Skills

**Programming** Python, C++, Java, C, SQL, Bash, JavaScript, HTML, CSS (ordered by proficiency)

**Systems & Libraries** UNIX, Linux, PyTorch, Tensorflow, Flask, Scrappy, Selenium, Git

## Work & Teaching Experience

### Chinese Knowledge and Information Processing Laboratory, Academia Sinica

Taipei, Taiwan

#### Research Assistant (Full Time)

Aug. 2020 - Jun. 2020

- Worked on various research topics about Natural Language Processing with a focus on Data-to-Text Generation.
- Devised a Dynamic Content Planning schema for Data-to-Text Generation that restores the bidirectional dependencies between content plans and summaries. Fine-grained generation control was achieved using simple natural language commands.
- Launched a website demonstrating our Dynamic Content Planning algorithm. The site converts NBA Box-Score data into a game summary.
- Website: <https://ckip.iis.sinica.edu.tw/service/data2text/>

### Cathay Financial Holdings Co., Ltd.

Taipei, Taiwan

#### Data Scientist Intern

Jul. 2019 - Jun. 2020

- Published a cross-datatype representation learning toolkit for tabular data using a BERT-based model.
- Experiments show that our work raises the performances of downstream tasks, especially those consist of unlabeled data and missing values.
- Toolkit: <https://github.com/dwaydwaydway/BERTable>

### National Taiwan University

Taipei, Taiwan

#### Research Assistant (Part-Time)

Mar. 2020 - Jun. 2020

- Improved & deployed a web scraper with an 80% speed-up compared to the prior system.
- Designed a syntax processing pipeline using POS tagging and constituency parsing that extracts essential information in job postings.

### National Taiwan University

Taipei, Taiwan

#### Teaching Assistant

Sep. 2019 - Jan. 2020

- Teaching assistant for the Machine Learning course [EE5184]

## Publications & Competitions & Projects

### The 8<sup>th</sup> Dialog System Technology Challenge - Schema-Guided Dialogue State Tracking

DSTC8

<https://github.com/MiuLab/LION-Net>

- Built a seq2seq dialogue state generator which requires 85% less execution time and 80% less memory usage than the official baseline approach while achieving higher prediction accuracy.
- 20<sup>th</sup> place out of 26 teams in the 8<sup>th</sup> Dialog System Technology Challenge.
- Kai-Ling Lo, **Ting-Wei Lu**, Tzu-Teng Weng, I-Hsuan Chen, Yun-Nung Chen. 2020. Lion-net: Lightweight ontology-independent networks for schema-guided dialogue state generation. In *Dialog System Technology Challenge Workshop (DSTC8) in Proceedings of Thirty-Fourth AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI 2020)*, New York, USA, 2020.

### Self-Navigating Boat Steeplechase Contest

NTU

<https://github.com/dwaydwaydway/Self-Navigating-Boat>

- Based on a 3D-printed boat, constructed a self-navigating boat with sonar sensors, motors, and an STM32 Nucleo-64 board (F303RE).
- Won 1<sup>st</sup> place (out of 14 teams) in the steeplechase competition.

### Ticket Reservation System

NTU

<https://github.com/dwaydwaydway/Reservation-System>

- Developed a ticket reservation system in Java using Command Design Pattern with a MySQL backend system.
- Supports all conventional functionalities such as inquiry, ticket-booking, seat-arranging, and order-revising.

## Leadership & Extracurricular Activities

### Varsity Baseball Team

National Taiwan University

- Captain of the department baseball team and member of the varsity team. Won 2 regional championships.

### Alumni Association

Minghua Junior High

- Vice president of the alumni association of Minghua Junior High. Assisted underrepresented students on school work.