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Education

Purdue University, IN, USA

Aug 2018 – Present

Ph.D. in Computer Science. Advisor: Yexiang Xue.

Research Area: Automatic Reasoning for Machine Learning and Scientific Discovery.

Beihang University, Beijing, China

Sep 2015 – Jan 2018

M.A.Eng. in Computer Science. Advisor: Wenge Rong.

National Scholarship

Zhejiang University of Technology, Zhejiang, China

Sep 2011 - Jun 2015

B.Eng. in Computer Science. Outstanding Graduate Student.

Internship

Amazon Search, USA

May 2021 - Aug 2021, May 2020 - Aug 2020

Research Intern

Data annotation is expensive and is slow for web-scale data size for text-cleaning applications. We propose an efficient randomized model based on Locality-sensitive Hashing that requires no training dataset. The paper is published at TheWebConf 2022.

Microsoft Research Asia, Beijing, China

Dec 2016 - Sept 2017

Research Intern

Prior works on dialog generation only consider generating one answer for each question. We propose a dataset of multiple diverse answers for each question, to promote the model to generate diverse answers. This work was published at NAACL 2018.

Netease Inc., Beijing, China

Jun 2016 - Dec 2016

Research Intern

Training language modeling is time-consuming because the vocabulary is of of millions-sized. We propose an efficient model based on hierarchical softmax, reducing from $\mathcal{O}(|V|)$ to $\mathcal{O}(\log |V|)$ time complexity (|V| is the vocabulary size); This work is published at IJCAI, 2017.

Honors

Kaggle - Quora Question Pairs. 8th out of 3295 teams2017KDD Cup - Highway Tollgates Traffic Flow Prediction. 3rd out of 3547 teams2017National Scholarship, Beihang University.2017Excellent Graduation Student, Zhejiang University of Technology.2015National Scholarship, Zhejiang University of Technology.2012, 2013

Publications Journal Articles

- 18 **Nan Jiang**, Jinzhao Li, Yexiang Xue. A Tighter Convergence Proof of Reverse Experience Replay. In *The Reinforcement Learning Journal*, 2024.
- 17 **Nan Jiang**, Maosen Zhang, Willem-Jan van Hoeve, Yexiang Xue. Constraint Reasoning Embedded in Structural Prediction. In *Journal of Machine Learning Research (JMLR)*, 2022. [JCR Q1].
- 16 **Nan Jiang**, Wenge Rong, Yifan Nie, Yikang Shen, Zhang Xiong. Event Trigger Identification with Noise Contrastive Estimation. In *IEEE/ACM Transactions on Computational Biology and Bioinformatics* (*TCBB*), 2017. [JCR Q1] [Impact factor 3.6]

15 Libin Shi, Wenge Rong, Shijie Zhou, **Nan Jiang**, and Zhang Xiong. A dual channel class hierarchy based recurrent language modeling. Neurocomputing, 2020. [JCR Q2] [Impact factor 5.5]

Peer-reviewed Conference Articles

- 14 **Nan Jiang**, Md Nasim, Yexiang Xue. Vertical Symbolic Regression via Deep Policy Gradient. In Proceedings of the Thirty-Third International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI), 2024. [Oral] [Acceptance rate 14.5%]
- 13 **Nan Jiang**, Yexiang Xue. Racing Control Variable Genetic Programming for Symbolic Regression. In *Thirty-Eighth AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)*, 2024. [Acceptance rate 23.75%]
- 12 **Nan Jiang**, Yexiang Xue. Symbolic Regression via Control Variable Genetic Programming. In Machine Learning and Knowledge Discovery in Databases: Research Track European Conference (ECML/PKDD), 2023. [Oral] [Acceptance rate 24%]
- 11 Jinzhao Li, **Nan Jiang** and Yexiang Xue. Solving Satisfiability Modulo Counting for Symbolic and Statistical AI Integration with Provable Guarantees. In *Thirty-Eighth AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)*, 2024. [Acceptance rate 23.75%]
- 10 **Nan Jiang***, Yi Gu*, Yexiang Xue. Learning Markov Random Fields for Combinatorial Structures via Sampling through Lovász Local Lemma. In *Thirty-Seventh AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence* (AAAI), 2023. [Acceptance rate 19.6%]
- 9 **Nan Jiang***, Fan Ding*, Jianzhu Ma, Jian Peng, Jinbo Xu, and Yexiang Xue. PALM: Probabilistic Area Loss Minimization for Protein Sequence Alignment. In Proceedings of the Thirty-Seventh Conference on Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence (UAI), 2021. [Oral] [Acceptance rate: 26.5%]
- 8 Maosen Zhang, **Nan Jiang**, Lei Li, Yexiang Xue. Language Generation via Combinatorial Constraint Satisfaction: A Tree Search Enhanced Monte-Carlo Approach. In Findings of the Association for Computational Linguistics: (EMNLP), 2020. [Acceptance Rate 37.9%]
- 7 Nan Jiang, Chen Luo, Vihan Lakshman, Yesh Dattatreya, Yexiang Xue. Massive Text Normalization via an Efficient Randomized Algorithm. In *The ACM Web Conference (WWW)*, 2022. [Acceptance rate 17.7%]
- 6 Zhen Xu, **Nan Jiang**, and etc. LSDSCC: A Large Scale Domain-Specific Conversational Corpus for Response Generation with Diversity Oriented Evaluation Metrics. In Proceedings of the 2018 Conference of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics: Human Language Technologies (NAACL-HLT), 2018. [Acceptance rate 29.4%]
- 5 **Nan Jiang**, Wenge Rong, Min Gao, Yikang Shen Zhang Xiong. Exploration of Tree-based Hierarchical Softmax for Recurrent Language Models. In Proceedings of the Twenty-Sixth International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI), 2017. [Acceptance rate 26.0%]
- 4 Yikang Shen, Wenge Rong, **Nan Jiang**, Baolin Peng, Jie Tang and Zhang Xiong. Word Embedding Based Correlation Model for Question/Answer Matching. In *Proceedings of the Thirty-First AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)*, 2017. [Acceptance rate 24.6%]
- 3 Maxwell J Jacobson, Case Q Wright, **Nan Jiang**, Gustavo Rodriguez-Rivera, Yexiang Xue. Task detection in continual learning via familiarity autoencoders. In *Proceedings of the IEEE International Conference on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics (SMC)*, 2022.

- 2 **Nan Jiang**, Wenge Rong, Baolin Peng, Yifan Nie, Zhang Xiong. An empirical analysis of different sparse penalties for autoencoder in unsupervised feature learning. In *Proceedings of the 2015 International Joint Conference on Neural Networks (IJCNN*), 2015.
- 1 **Nan Jiang**, Wenge Rong, Baolin Peng, Yifan Nie and Zhang Xiong. Modeling Joint Representation with Tri-Modal DBNs for Query and Question Matching. In *IEICE Transactions on Information and Systems*, 2015.

Skills Programming Language: Python, C/C++, Java, Matlab;

Tools: Git, Vim, Markdown, Linux Bash;

Deep Learning Framework: Pytorch, JAX, Tensorflow, Keras, Numpy, Scipy