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### ABOUT ME

My research interest covers dialogue systems and multimedia analysis. Specifically, I aim at developing models that can understand human inputs in various forms (e.g. textual & visual) and communicate with humans to perform certain tasks.

My research can be summarized as the following aspects:

- 1) multimodal dialogue systems: belief state tracking, contextualized response generation, policy learning etc.
- 2) **recommendation**: neural collaborative filtering, conversational recommendation etc.
- 3) multimedia analysis in fashion: cross-modal retrieval, fashion compatibility modeling, fashion chatbot etc.

#### **EDUCATION**

### National University of Singapore

2015.8 - 2019.11

Ph.D. in Integrative Sciences & Engineering.

Advisor: Prof. Tat-Seng Chua

# Beijing Institute of Technology

2007.9 - 2011.6

B.Eng. in Computer Science & Technology

Top 10% of the cohort

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Fellow 2019.11 - now

School of Computing, National University of Singapore, Singapore

Director: Prof. Tat-Seng Chua

Research Intern 2018.6 - 2018.9

FXPAL, Palo Alto, USA

Advisor: Lyndon Kennedy & Lynn Wilcox

Research Assistant 2013.8 - 2015.7

LARC, Singapore Management University, Singapore Advisor: Prof. Jing Jiang & Prof. Ee-Peng Lim

Research Assistant 2011.9 - 2013.7

Beijing Institute of Technology, China

Advisor: Prof. Heyan Huang

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Co-Lecturer NUS SOC 2018 Spring, CS4242 Social Media Computing

**Teaching Assistant** NUS SOC 2016 Autumn, CS2108 Introduction to Media Computing

Organizer NExT Weekly Dialogue Reading Group

Coordinator Parallel Session: Projects on Trust in the 6th NExT++ Workshop 2019

### PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Program Design : ACM Multimedia(2019) Senior Program Committee: IJCAI(2021)

Program Committee: SIGIR(2017-2021), MM(2020-2021), ACL(2020-2021), EMNLP(2020-2021), AAAI(2020)

Reviewer: TKDE, TMM, TOIS, JAIR, TKDD, KBS

#### SELECTED AWARDS

Best Paper Honorable Mention, ACM Multimedia	2018
Dean's Graduate Research Excellence Award, NUS	2019
Research Achievement Award, NUS	2018
National Scholarship, Beijing Institute of Technology	2013

#### MENTORING

Zheng Zhang (PhD student, Tsinghua University)

Yunshan Ma (PhD student, NUS)

Long Le Hong (Undergraduate, NUS)

Tongyao Zhu (Undergraduate, NUS)

Kaili Mao (Visting student, BUAA)

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS [GOOGLE SCHOLAR]

- [1] Lizi Liao, Long Le Hong, Zheng Zhang, Minlie Huang, Tat-Seng Chua. MMConv: An Environment for Multimodal Conversational Search across Multiple Domains. SIGIR 2021
- [2] Lizi Liao, Tongyao Zhu, Le Hong Long, Tat-Seng Chua. Multi-domain Dialogue State Tracking with Recursive Inference. WWW 2021 🔀
- [3] Kaili Mao, Jianwei Niu, Xuefeng Liu, Shaojie Tang, **Lizi Liao**, Tat-Seng Chua. A Patience-aware Recommendation Scheme for Shared Accounts on Mobile Devices. TKDE 2021
- [4] **Lizi Liao**, Ryuichi Takanobu, Yunshan Ma, Xun Yang, Minlie Huang, Tat-Seng Chua. Topic-Guided Relational Conversational Recommender in Multiple Domains. TKDE 2020
- [5] **Lizi Liao**, Le Hong Long, Yunshan Ma, Wenqiang Lei, Tat-Seng Chua. Dialogue State Tracking with Incremental Reasoning. TACL 2020 🔁
- [6] Zheng Zhang\*, Lizi Liao\*, Minlie Huang, Xiaoyan Zhu, Tat-Seng Chua. Neural Multimodal Belief Tracker with Adaptive Attention for Dialogue Systems. WWW 2019
- [7] Yunshan Ma, Xun Yang, **Lizi Liao**, Yixin Cao, Tat-Seng Chua. Who, Where, and What to Wear? Extracting Fashion Knowledge from Social Media. ACM Multimedia 2019
- [8] Lizi Liao, Yunshan Ma, Xiangnan He, Richang Hong, Tat-Seng Chua. Knowledge-aware Multimodal Dialogue Systems. ACM Multimedia 2018 (Best Paper Final List)
- [9] Lizi Liao, Xiangnan He, Bo Zhao, Chong-Wah Ngo, Tat-Seng Chua. Interpretable Multimodal Retrieval for Fashion Products. ACM Multimedia 2018
- [10] Lizi Liao, Xiangnan He, Hanwang Zhang, Tat-Seng Chua. Attributed Social Network Embedding. TKDE 2018
- [11] Xiangnan He, **Lizi Liao**, Hanwang Zhang, Liqiang Nie, Xia Hu, Tat-Seng Chua. Neural Collaborative Filtering. WWW 2017
- [12] Lizi Liao, Xiangnan He, Zhaochun Ren, Liqiang Nie, Huan Xu, Tat-Seng Chua. Representativeness-aware Aspect Analysis for Brand Monitoring in Social Media. IJCAI 2017
- [13] Lizi Liao, Qirong Ho, Jing Jiang, Ee-Peng Lim. SLR: a Scalable Latent Role Model for Attribute Completion and Tie Prediction in Social Networks. ICDE 2016
- [14] Lizi Liao, Jing Jiang, Ying Ding, Heyan Huang, Ee-Peng Lim. Lifetime Lexical Variation in Social Media. AAAI 2014