

## Lantao Yu

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### CONTACT INFORMATION

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### EDUCATION

**Shanghai Jiao Tong University**, Shanghai, P.R. China

**Sep. 2014 - Present**

- Undergraduate (Junior), Department of Computer Science and Engineering
- Apex Data and Knowledge Management Lab, Department of Computer Science, Supervisor: Prof. YONG YU and Prof. WEINAN ZHANG.
- Excellent academic record
- Research interests: The general areas of machine learning, including deep learning, reinforcement learning, multi-agent systems and their applications in sequential decision making, natural language processing and information retrieval.

### PUBLICATION

- **Lantao Yu**, Weinan Zhang, Jun Wang, Yong Yu. *SeqGAN: Sequence Generative Adversarial Nets with Policy Gradient*. In the Proceedings of the Thirty-First AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence. **AAAI 2017**.
- Jun Wang, **Lantao Yu**, Weinan Zhang, Yu Gong, Yinghui Xu, Benyou Wang, Peng Zhang and Dell Zhang. *IRGAN: A Minimax Game for Unifying Generative and Discriminative Information Retrieval Models*. In the Proceedings of the 40th International ACM SIGIR Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval. **SIGIR 2017**.
- **Lantao Yu\***, Xuejian Wang\* (Equal Contribution), Kan Ren, Guanyu Tao, Weinan Zhang, Yong Yu, Jun Wang. *A Dynamic Attention Deep Model for Article Recommendation by Learning Human Editors' Demonstration*. In the proceedings of the 23rd SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining. **KDD 2017**.

### HONORS AND AWARDS

**Outstanding Undergraduate Scholarship (2%)**, Shanghai Jiao Tong University 2016-2017  
**National Scholarship (2%)**, Shanghai Jiao Tong University 2016  
**GPA 1st/150**, CS Department, Shanghai Jiao Tong University 2015-2016  
**Zhiyuan Honor Scholarship**, Shanghai Jiao Tong University 2015, 2016  
**Yuan-Ze Scholarship**, Shanghai Jiao Tong University 2015  
Second Prize in China Undergraduate Mathematical Contest in Modelling (First Prize in Shanghai) 2015

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

- **Sequence generative adversarial nets with policy gradient**, Jun. 2016 - Sep. 2016
  - Applying adversarial training to generating structured sequences of discrete tokens
  - Bypass the differentiation problem by directly performing policy gradient update
  - Design an experiment framework to explicitly test the efficacy of the language model
  - Lead author of the research paper, accepted in **AAAI 2017**
- **IRGAN: A Minimax Game for Unifying Generative and Discriminative Information Retrieval Models**, Sep. 2016 - Jan. 2017
  - Propose a framework to unify the two schools of thinking in information retrieval modelling: the generative retrieval and discriminative retrieval from a minimax game theory perspective
  - Leader of the experimental section, second author of the research paper, accepted in **SIGIR 2017** (Review score: 3 strong accepts)
- **Dynamic Attention Deep Model for Article Recommendation by Learning Human Editors Demonstration**, Dec. 2016 - Feb. 2017
  - Propose a meta-attention model across multiple deep neural nets to automatically catch the editors' underlying selection criteria and adaptively capture the change of such

criteria via a hybrid attention model.

- Co-first author of the research paper, accepted in **KDD 2017**

- Reviewer of PIC 2016 and SIGIR 2017
- Open source project: Implementation of Sequence Generative Adversarial Nets with Policy Gradient, with more than 450 stars in github <https://github.com/LantaoYu/SeqGAN>.
- Multi-agent Reinforcement Learning paper collection: <https://github.com/LantaoYu/MARL-Papers>
- Research on click fraud detection in computational advertisement, cooperating with YOYI 2015

#### COMPUTER SKILLS

- Languages: Python, C/C++, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Verilog.
- Machine Learning Packages: TensorFlow, Keras, Theano, Spark-MLLib, SKLearn, SciPy, NumPy, xGBoost, MXNet, Multiprocessing.
- Operating Systems: Unix/Linux, Windows.