#### **EDUCATION**

2015 - Present **Doctor of Philosophy**Computer Science

University of Utah

2009 - 2012 Master of Science

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Huazhong University of Science and Technology (HUST)

2005 - 2009 Bachelor of Engineering

Information Security

Huazhong University of Science and Technology (HUST)

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

# UTAH NLP GROUP, UNIVERSITY OF UTAH, Salt Lake City Research Space

2015 - PRESENT

- I work with Prof. Vivek Srikumar in Utah NLP Group. I study methods for predicting structured representations of natural language text, e.g. Semantic Parsing [4], Dialogue System [6, 3, 1].

#### Intern at AWS AI, AMAZON LEX, Remote

**SUMMER 2020** 

- Our paper on schema-guided dialog got accepted to NAACL 2021 [1]

## Intern at AWS AI, AMAZON LEX, Seattle

**SUMMER 2019** 

- Cross framework meaning representation parsing, ranked 1st on AMR on CoNLL 2019 shared task [4]

## Intern at Tencent, Wechat AI, Palo Alto

**SUMMER 2018** 

- End-to-End Goal-oriented Dialogue System [6], ranked 2nd in DSTC7 track1
- Rhetorically Controlled Poetry Generation[5] got accetped to ACL 2019

### CGCL LAB, HUST, Wuhan

2008 - 2012

- When I was a master student at HUST, I worked with Prof. Xia Xie and Prof. Hai Jin. My research are around large scale statistical somputing, programming language [7, 8], system virtualization [10, 9]

## Work Experience

## Assitant Researcher at SOHU RDC LAB, Beijing

2014 - 2015

- Hadoop, Spark, Data migration, Data security, Distributed machine learning.

## Senior Software Engineer at Zun Club, Beijing

2013 - 2014

- Heterogeneous data intergration, Hotel recommendation system.

#### Software Engineer at BAIDU, Beijing

2012 - 2014

- Baidu Voice Assistant, Query analysis, Dialogue
- Mobile Search Anti-Attack Ecosystem, Speed optimization

#### Intern at Alibaba, Hangzhou

2010 - 2011

- KV Storage, MySQL, Database Replication, Real-time Computing, Distributed Pub/Sub Data Pipeline.

## **HONORS & AWARDS**

- 2019 CoNLL Shared Task, MRP, Top 1 on AMR
- 2019 DSTC7, Top 2 on track 1
- 2010 VMware Cloud Computing Innovation Cup, Top 50
- 2009 Google Android Innovative Idea Sharing Award
- 2007 "Computer World" Magzine Scholarship
- 2007 Microsoft Imagine Cup
  - Algorithm Challenge, Top 50 World-Wide
  - Visual Gaming Contest, Top 2 in China, 18th World Final
- 2006 HUST ACM Programming Contest, Top 3

## **Publications**

- [1] **Jie Cao** and Yi Zhang. "A Comparative Study on Schema-Guided Dialogue State Tracking". In: *Proceedings of NAACL 2021*. 2021.
- [2] Debjyoti Paul\*, **Jie Cao**\*, Feifei Li, and Vivek Srikumar. "Database Workload Characterization with Query Plan Encoders". In: *arXiv preprint arXiv:2105.12287(To Appear in VLDB'22)* (2021).
- [3] **Jie Cao**, Michael Tanana, Zac Imel, Eric Poitras, David Atkins, and Vivek Srikumar. "Observing Dialogue in Therapy: Categorizing and Forecasting Behavioral Codes". In: *Proceedings of ACL 2019*. Florence, Italy, 2019.
- [4] **Jie Cao**, Yi Zhang, Adel Youssef, and Vivek Srikumar. "Amazon at MRP 2019: Parsing Meaning Representations with Lexical and Phrasal Anchoring". In: *Proceedings of the Shared Task on MRP at the CoNLL 2019*. 2019.
- [5] Zhiqiang Liu, Zuohui Fu, **Jie Cao**, Gerard de Melo, Yik-Cheung Tam, Cheng Niu, and Jie Zhou. "Rhetorically Controlled Encoder-Decoder for Modern Chinese Poetry Generation". In: *Proceedings of ACL 2019*. Florence, Italy, 2019.
- [6] Shuo Sun\*, Yik-Cheung Tam\*, **Jie Cao**\*, Can-Xiang Yan, Zuohui Fu, Cheng Niu, and Jie Zhou. "End-to-end Gated Self-attentive Memory Network for Dialog Response Selection". In: *Proceedings of AAAI*, *DSTC7 Workshop*. 2019.
- [7] Xijiang Ke, Hai Jin, Xia Xie, and **Jie Cao**. "A distributed SVM method based on the iterative MapReduce". In: *International Conference on Semantic Computing(ICSC)*. IEEE. 2015.
- [8] **Jie Cao\***, Xia Xie\*, Hai Jin, Xijiang Ke, and Wenzhi Cao. "JRBridge: A framework of large-scale statistical computing for R". In: *Asia-Pacific on Services Computing Conference (APSCC)*. IEEE. 2012.
- [9] **Jie Cao**, Xia Xie, and Jin Hai. "A real-time scheduling system on embedded virtualization". Patent ZL201110410689.1 (CN). 2011.
- [10] **Jie Cao.** "Cache Performance Evaluation on Xen Virtualization Platform". In: *Undergraduate Thesis*. 2009.

#### TALKS

Slides for selected talks can be found in my slideshare site. https://www.slideshare.net/jiessiecao/

- 06/2021, Conference Presentation on NAACL'2021, 'A Comparative Study on Schema-Guided Dialogue State racking'
- 12/2020, Talk on EMNLP'2020 Watch Party@Amazon Lex, 'Task-oriented Conversational Semantic Parsing'
- 11/2019, Conference Presentation on MRP 2019, 'Amazon at MRP 2019: Parsing Meaning Representations with Lexical and Phrasal Anchoring'
- 01/2016, Seminar Presentation on Spring'2016 NLP seminer at University of Utah, 'Combinatory Categorical Grammar'

- 11/2015, Seminar Presentation on Fall'2015 Deep Learning seminer at University of Utah, 'Parsing Natural Language Scense and Natural Language with Recursive Neural Networks'
- 11/2015, Seminar Presentation on Fall'2015 Data Science Seminer at University of Utah, 'Challenges on Data Parallelism and Model Parallelism'
- 12/2015, Winner Presentation on Fall'2015 NLP Class at University of Utah, 'Talking Geckos QA System', our QA system ranked 1st in QA competition.

#### SOFTWARE

Other code for papers can be found in https://github.com/utahnlp and https://github.com/mlciv

- LAPA-MRP, our open-sourced system submission to MRP 2019 shared task at CoNLL 2019. Our model ranked 1st in the AMR subtask, 5th in UCCA, 6th in PSD and 7th in DM.
- dt-proxy, A nodejs-based token proxy to support distributed data copy between secure and insecure hadoop clusters.
- alred-workflows, A home-brew repo for productive alfred workflows, including propbank query, display rotation, and so on.
- renjin, a JVM-based interpreter for the R language. https://github.com/bedatadriven/renjin

#### TEACHING & MENTORING

2019-2020	Mentor	Bachelor Thesis (Tarun Sunkaraneni), U of Utah
Spring 2018	TA	Structured Prediction, U of Utah
Fall 2016,2018	TA	Machine Learning, U of Utah
2006-2008	Leader	Algorithm&Game Team, Unique Studio, HUST

## ACADEMIC SERVICE

#### **Program Committee Member**

- Conference of the Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2020–22;
- Annual meeting of the Association of Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2020-22;
- International Conference on Computational Linguistics (COLING), 2020;
- Conference of the European Chapter of the ACL (EACL), 2021;
- Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP), 2020-2022;
- North American Chapter of the ACL (NAACL), 2021;
- Shared Task on Cross-Framework Meaning Representation Parsing at the 2019 Conference on Natural Language Learning (MRP'2019@CoNLL).

#### Reviwer

- ACL Rolling Review, 2021-22