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EDUCATION

Columbia University, School of Engineering and Applied Science

Sep. 2020 – May 2024

B.S. Candidate in Computer Science, GPA: 4.02/4.00.

Egleston Scholar (Top 1% of undergraduate engineering applicants). Ezoe Memorial Foundation Academic Scholarship (Full-ride scholarship)

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] Enhancing Few-shot Text-to-SQL Capabilities of Large Language Models: A Study on Prompt Design Strategies Linyong Nan, Yilun Zhao, Weijin Zou, Narutatsu Ri, Jaesung Tae, Ellen Zhang, Arman Cohan, Dragomir Radev arXiv Preprint, 2023.
- [2] *IdEALS: Idiomatic Expressions for Advancement of Language Skills* **Narutatsu Ri**, Bill Sun, Sam Davidson, Zhou Yu arXiv Preprint, 2023.
- [3] Contrastive Loss is All You Need to Recovery Analogies as Parallel Lines
 Narutatsu Ri, Fei-Tzin Lee, Nakul Verma
 ACL 2023 Workshop (RepL4NLP)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Columbia University Department of Computer Science

Jan. 2023 - Present

Undergraduate Researcher, with Daniel Hsu

• Research on model selection capabilities of language models and transformer approximation theory.

Columbia University Department of Computer Science

Jan. 2021 – Present

Independent Researcher, with Nakul Verma Recovering Analogies as Parallel Lines

- Designed *CWM* (*Contrastive Word Model*), word embedding model with simple contrastive learning objective with analogy recovery performance competitive with popular word embedding models with 50× training efficiency.
- Conducted theoretical analysis on CWM and proposed connection between analogy formation and word co-occurrence statistics.

Embeddability of Parallelograms in l_2^d space

• Research on metric embeddings to identify relation between embeddability of sets of points satisfying parallelogram conditions and dimensionality. Proved linear relationship between dimensionality and number of analogy conditions and empirically verified robustness.

Properties of Word Embeddings Optimized for Word Similarity Tasks

• Developed t-SNE-based word embedding and empirically showed competitive performance on word similarity tasks.

Deep Embedded Clustering

• Improved model introduced by paper *Unsupervised Deep Embedding* for *Clustering Analysis* by adding local structure preserving property.

Columbia University Natural Language Processing Lab

Aug. 2022 – May 2023

Lead Researcher, with Zhou Yu

• Research on word choice improvement and developing phrasal recommendation language models.

Columbia University Natural Language Processing Lab

Undergraduate Researcher, with Kathleen McKeown, Zhou Yu

• Research on faithfulness of large language model-generated explanations and simulatability.

Sep. 2022 – May 2023

The University of Tokyo International Research Center for Neurointelligence

Visiting Researcher, with Mingbo Cai

- Analyzed manifold structure in contextualized Transformer word embeddings.
- Developed model to predict and decode syntactic information of movie scene descriptions from raw fMRI brain activity.

University of Electro-Communications iSYSLab

Special Researcher, with Takayuki Nagai

- Conducted research for 2.5 years on a dialogue system capable of utilizing only latent syntactic and semantic information for response generation.
- Presented work at the 33rd Annual Conference of the Japanese Society for Artificial Intelligence.

A Dialogue System Implemented with Latent Parameters

Weida Li, Chie Hieida, Takayuki Nagai

Journal of Proceedings of the Annual Conference of JSAI, 2019.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Columbia University Department of Computer Science

Head Teaching Assistant, Machine Learning (COMS 4771)

- Tested out of COMS 4771 (Graduate Machine Learning course) in sophomore year and serving as Head Teaching Assistant.
- Served as TA for Summer 2022, Fall 2022 (Head TA), Spring 2023 (Head TA) semesters.

Project Thryving, DATAFLUCT, INC.

Software Engineer, Subcontractor

• Developed an interactive business intelligence providing dialogue system that analyzes trends and anomalies in corporate sales data.

AWARDS & HONORS

Dean's List	2020 - 2023
Tau Beta Pi candidate	2022, 2023
Egleston Scholar	2020
Ezoe Memorial Foundation Academic Scholarship	2019
(Selected as 1 out of 5 students among thousands of applicants)	
University Robotics Competition (RoboCup Japan Open) Winner	2018
S-ISEF Finalist	2018
National Programming Contest Silver Medal	2017

COURSEWORK

Graduate Coursework:

- Computer Science: Machine Learning (Skipped), Unsupervised Learning, Advanced Algorithms, Natural Language Processing, Computational Learning Theory, Dialog Systems, Geometric Data Analysis, Robot Learning, Projects in Computer Science
- *Mathematics*: Probability Theory, Advanced Linear Algebra

Undergraduate Coursework:

- Computer Science: Data Structures, Fundamentals of Computer Systems
- Mathematics: Real Analysis, Ordinary Differential Equations

May 2022 – Sep. 2022

Oct. 2017 – Jun. 2019

Jul. 2022 – May 2023

Jul. 2021 – Jul. 2022