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Education

Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Shanghai, China

o Senior undergraduate, Department of Computer Science (IEEE honor class)

Sep. 2018 - Jun. 2022

- o GPA: Overall: 89.2/100 | Major: 90.7/100 | Final Year: 90.5/100
- o Standard Test: TOEFL: 107 (R29, L28, S25, W25), GRE: V153, Q170, W4.0
- o Advisor: Professor Hai Zhao, Professor Xiaofeng Gao

Georgia Institute of Technology

Remote

Research Intern, School of Interactive Computing

June 2021 - present

o Advisor: Professor Diyi Yang

Papers

Dialogue Graph Modeling for Conversational Machine Reading

- o Siru Ouyang*, Zhuosheng Zhang*, Hai Zhao.
- o In Findings of the 59th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics and the 11th International Joint Conference on Natural Language Processing. **ACL-IJCNLP 2021.**

Smoothing Dialogue States for Open Conversational Machine Reading

- o Zhuosheng Zhang*, Siru Ouyang, Hai Zhao, Masao Utiyama, Eiichiro Sumita.
- o In Proceedings of the 2021 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing. EMNLP 2021.

Two-Hop Relay Deployment Based on User Trajectory in Wireless Networks

- o Zhiyao Li, Siru Ouyang, Xiaofeng Gao and Guihai Chen.
- o Accepted by the Computer Journal 2021.

Fact-driven Logical Reasoning

- o Siru Ouyang*, Zhuosheng Zhang*, Hai Zhao.
- o In submission for the International Conference on Learning Representations. ICLR 2022.

Logic-aware Pre-Training for Language Models

- o Siru Ouyang*, Zhuosheng Zhang*, Hai Zhao.
- o In submission for the International Conference on Learning Representations. ICLR 2022.

Compositional Data Augmentation for Abstractive Conversation Summarization

- o Siru Ouyang, Jiaao Chen, Diyi Yang.
- o In submission for the Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics ACL 2022.

Honors and Awards

- Rongchang Scientific and Technological Innovation Scholarship (RMB ¥30,000) (Rank 1st in the School of Electronic Information and Electrical Engineering), Shanghai Jiao Tong University. 2021
- SenseTime Scholarship (RMB ¥20,000) (31 out of all students for artificial intelligence in China) SenseTime Incorporation. 2021
- **Class-B Scholarship in Campus** (5% of all the students in the School of Electronic Information and Electrical Engineering), Shanghai Jiao Tong University. 2019 and 2020
- Google Women Tech Makers Scholarship (110 out of 2800 students around the whole Pacific Rim), Google. 2020

Research Experiences

Compositional Data Augmentation for Dialogue Summarization

Advisor: Professor Diyi Yang, SIC, GIT

Jul. 2021 - Nov. 2021

- o Proposed a simple yet effective compositional data augmentation method, COMPO, for generating diverse and high-quality pairs of conversations and summaries based on conversation structures.
- Introduced model-level distillation algorithms to learn concise representations from a teacher model to deal with noise.
- o Outperformed prior SOTA baselines by a large margin in terms of qualitative and quantitative evaluation.
- o In preparation as the first-author for ACL 2022 [pdf].

Logic Pre-Training of Language Models

Advisor: Professor Hai Zhao, CSD, SJTU

Jun. 2021 - Sep. 2021

- o Proposed a novel pre-training framework Prophet including a newly introduced knowledge basis *fact* and pre-training objectives for capturing logic relations in challenging NLU tasks.
- o Outperformed strong baselines by a large margin on GLUE benchmark (NLU), ReClor (Logical Reasoning) and DocRE (Relation Extraction).
- o In submission as a full paper at ICLR 2022. [pdf]

Logical Reasoning in Natural Language Understanding

Advisor: Profssor Hai Zhao, CSD, SJTU

Mar. 2021 - May. 2021

- o Proposed to extract a broad *Fact Unit* to effectively cover indispensable logic reasoning basis representing the relations of "who-did-what-to-whom" or "who-is-what".
- Designed Focal Reasoner which builds super-graphs on top of fact units to capture both global connections and local concepts inside the fact.
- o Achieved the new state-of-the-art results on ReClor and LogiQA.
- o In submission as a full paper at ICLR 2022. [pdf]

End-to-End Open-Domain Conversational Comprehension

Advisor: Professor Hai Zhao, CSD, SJTU

Feb. 2021 - Apr. 2021

- o Investigated the open-retrieval setting for conversational machine reading.
- o Designed an end-to-end framework where the dialogue states for decision making are employed for question generation, in contrast to the independent models or pipeline systems in previous studies for CMR task.
- o Outperformed strong baselines in both the ShARC and OrShARC datasets.
- o Accepted as the co-first author by EMNLP 2021.

Dialogue Graph Modeling for Reading Comprehension

Advisor: Professor Hai Zhao, CSD, SJTU

Nov. 2020 - Jan. 2021

- Proposed a framework DGM for conversational machine reading to model discourse structure and relations which has not been considered by previous approaches.
- Designed an implicit and explicit discourse graph to analyze the complex rule document and their interact -ions with user scenario.
- Achieved the new state-of-the-art results on ShARC benchmark.
- Accepted as the first author at ACL Findings 2021.

Relay Deployment in Wireless Networks

Advisor: Professor Xiaofeng Gao, CSD, SJTU

May. 2020 - Jul. 2020

- o Solve the traditional relay deployment problem for unstationary user movements.
- o Proposed the concept "Demand Nodes" representing the locations where users frequently pass or stay, and convert the problem into a Demand Node Coverage (DNC) problem, which proved to be NP-complete.
- Designedd an approximation algorithm to solve DNC problem, and Simulated the method on five real-world trajectory datasets in CRAWDAD, and results demonstrate that the proposed algorithm can obtain high coverage for users in motion, which leads to better user experience.
- Accepted as a full paper in The Computer Journal.

Selected Academic Presentations and Open Source Projects

- o Dialogue Graph Modeling for Conversational Machine Reading. ACL 2021 Conference, Online.
- o Implementation of DGM. Discourse-based document comprehension.