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GRANTS	NSF CAREER Award, NSF (\$560,000)	2024
	NSF NAIRR Pilot project, NSF (\$10,000)	2024
	a2 Pilot Award, NIH and PennAlTech (\$150,000)	2024
	Microsoft Research Award (\$50,000)	2024
	eBay Research Award (\$100,000)	2024
	eBay Research Award (\$82,000)	2024
	Cisco Research Award (\$100,000)	2023
	Alexa Prize TaskBot Challenge (\$250,000)	2022
	eBay Research Award (\$100,000)	2022
	Amazon Research Award ($$45,000 + $75,000$ AWS Credits)	2021
	Microsoft Block Grant Awards (\$4000)	2022
	Google Cloud Platform Research Credits (\$5000)	2020

INVITED TALKS

Trustworthy Large Language Models for Summarizing Electronic Health Records

• Penn State College of Medicine AI Grand Rounds. March 26, 2025.

Gradient-based Prompt Optimization for LLM Reasoning

- Guest Lecture at Penn State CSE/MATH 555. December 10, 2024.
- eBay Tech Talk. December 19, 2024.

How Can LLMs Help Peer Review?

• LLM for Science Birds-of-a-Feather. NAACL 2024. June 17, 2024.

Are Large Language Models Fair Summarizers?

• New Frontiers in Summarization workshop at EMNLP 2023. December 5, 2023.

Trustworthy Human-Centered Summarization

- eBay. June 13, 2023.
- Cisco. June 1, 2023.

Semantic Parsing in the Era of Large Language Models

- Penn State CSE Faculty Seminar. December 1, 2022.
- University of Pennsylvania. CLunch Penn NLP. October 31, 2022.

Contrastive Learning for Natural Language Processing

- Amazon AWS. August 4, 2022.
- MLNLP Seminar. July 31, 2022.
- Penn State NSF REU Site: Machine Learning in Cybersecurity. July 27, 2022.
- The University of Tokyo. July 7, 2022.

FeTaQA: Free-form Table Question Answering

• Workshop on Conversational Agents with Structured Knowledge. AKBC 2021. October 7, 2021

SCoRe: Pre-Training for Context Representation in Conversational Semantic Parsing

• Google NLP Reading Group. April 19, 2021.

Building Robust Conversational Question Answering Systems Over Databases of Tabular Data

- The Center for Artificial Intelligence Foundations and Engineered Systems (CAFE). Penn State University. Oct 15, 2021.
- University of Pennsylvania. CLunch Penn NLP. October 19, 2020.

Deep Contextual Modeling for Natural Language Understanding, Generation, and Grounding

- Department of Computer Science, Stony Brook University. April 10, 2020.
- Department of Computer Science and Engineering, The Pennsylvania State University. March 30, 2020.
- Department of Computer Science, Virginia Tech. March 19, 2020.
- Department of Computer Science and Engineering, The University of Connecticut. February 24, 2020.

Editing-based SQL Query Generation for Cross-Domain Context-Dependent Questions.

• STAR Talk 1st Place Prize. Natural Language, Dialog and Speech (NDS) Symposium, The New York Academy of Sciences, New York, November 2019.

This Email Could Save Your Life: Introducing the Task of Email Subject Line Generation.

• Invited poster at the Microsoft Research AI Breakthroughs Workshop, Redmond, September 2019.

Interleaving Thoughts of Interlocutors via RNNs for Response Selection in Multi-Turn Dialog Systems.

• Invited poster at the 5th IBM Research Cognitive Colloquium, the IBM T.J. Watson Research Center, New York, September 2016.

PUBLICATIONS

- [56] From Lazy to Prolific: Tackling Missing Labels in Open Vocabulary Extreme Classification by Positive-Unlabeled Sequence Learning. Haoran Ranran Zhang, Bensu Uçar, Soumik Dey, Hansi Wu, Binbin Li, Rui Zhang. In 2025 Annual Conference of the Nations of the Americas Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL) Findings, 2025
- [55] Coverage-based Fairness in Multi-document Summarization. Haoyuan Li, Yusen Zhang, Rui Zhang, Snigdha Chaturvedi. In 2025 Annual Conference of the Nations of the Americas Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL), 2025

Senior Area Chair Paper Award

- [54] SiReRAG: Indexing Similar and Related Information for Multihop Reasoning. Nan Zhang, Prafulla Kumar Choubey, Alexander Fabbri, Gabriel Bernadett-Shapiro, Rui Zhang, Prasenjit Mitra, Caiming Xiong, Chien-Sheng Wu. In the Thirteenth International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2025
- [53] GReaTer: Gradients Over Reasoning Makes Smaller Language Models Strong Prompt Optimizers. Sarkar Snigdha Sarathi Das, Ryo Kamoi, Bo Pang, Yusen Zhang, Caiming Xiong, Rui Zhang. In the Thirteenth International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2025
- [52] Chain of Agents: Large Language Models Collaborating on Long-Context Tasks. Yusen Zhang, Ruoxi Sun, Yanfei Chen, Tomas Pfister, Rui Zhang, Sercan Ö. Arık. *In the Thirty-Eighth Annual Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, 2024
- [51] LLMs Assist NLP Researchers: Critique Paper (Meta-)Reviewing. Jiangshu Du, Yibo Wang, Wenting Zhao, Zhongfen Deng, Shuaiqi Liu, Renze Lou, Henry Peng Zou, Pranav Narayanan Venkit, Nan Zhang, Mukund Srinath, Haoran Ranran Zhang, Vipul Gupta, Yinghui Li, Tao Li, Fei Wang,

- Qin Liu, Tianlin Liu, Pengzhi Gao, Congying Xia, Chen Xing, Jiayang Cheng, Zhaowei Wang, Ying Su, Raj Sanjay Shah, Ruohao Guo, Jing Gu, Haoran Li, Kangda Wei, Zihao Wang, Lu Cheng, Surangika Ranathunga, Meng Fang, Jie Fu, Fei Liu, Ruihong Huang, Eduardo Blanco, Yixin Cao, Rui Zhang, Philip S. Yu, Wenpeng Yin. In the 2024 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP), 2024
- [50] FOLIO: Natural Language Reasoning with First-Order Logic. Simeng Han, Hailey Schoelkopf, Yilun Zhao, Zhenting Qi, Martin Riddell, Wenfei Zhou, James Coady, David Peng, Yujie Qiao, Luke Benson, Lucy Sun, Alex Wardle-Solano, Hannah Szabo, Ekaterina Zubova, Matthew Burtell, Jonathan Fan, Yixin Liu, Brian Wong, Malcolm Sailor, Ansong Ni, Linyong Nan, Jungo Kasai, Tao Yu, Rui Zhang, Alexander R. Fabbri, Wojciech Kryscinski, Semih Yavuz, Ye Liu, Xi Victoria Lin, Shafiq Joty, Yingbo Zhou, Caiming Xiong, Rex Ying, Arman Cohan, Dragomir Radev. In the 2024 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP), 2024
- [49] When Can LLMs Actually Correct Their Own Mistakes? A Critical Survey of Self-Correction of LLMs. Ryo Kamoi, Yusen Zhang, Nan Zhang, Jiawei Han, Rui Zhang. In the Transactions of the Association for Computational Linguistics (TACL), 2024
- [48] DocMath-Eval: Evaluating Math Reasoning Capabilities of LLMs in Understanding Long and Specialized Documents. Yilun Zhao, Yitao Long, Hongjun Liu, Linyong Nan, Lyuhao Chen, Ryo Kamoi, Yixin Liu, Xiangru Tang, Rui Zhang, Arman Cohan. In the 62nd Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2024
- [47] FinanceMATH: Knowledge-Intensive Math Reasoning in Finance Domains. Yilun Zhao, Hongjun Liu, Yitao Long, Rui Zhang, Chen Zhao, Arman Cohan. In the 62nd Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2024
- [46] Evaluating LLMs at Detecting Errors in LLM Responses. Ryo Kamoi, Sarkar Snigdha Sarathi Das, Renze Lou, Jihyun Janice Ahn, Yilun Zhao, Xiaoxin Lu, Nan Zhang, Yusen Zhang, Ranran Haoran Zhang, Sujeeth Reddy Vummanthala, Salika Dave, Shaobo Qin, Arman Cohan, Wenpeng Yin, Rui Zhang. In the 1st Conference on Language Modeling (COLM), 2024
- [45] Veiled Pathways: Investigating Covert and Side Channels within GPU Uncore. Yuanqing Miao, Yingtian Zhang, Dinghao Wu, Danfeng Zhang, Gang Tan, Rui Zhang, Mahmut Kandemir. In the 57th IEEE/ACM International Symposium on Microarchitecture (MICRO), 2024
- [44] Fair Abstractive Summarization of Diverse Perspectives. Yusen Zhang, Nan Zhang, Yixin Liu, Alexander Fabbri, Junru Liu, Ryo Kamoi, Xiaoxin Lu, Caiming Xiong, Jieyu Zhao, Dragomir Radev, Kathleen McKeown, Rui Zhang. In 2024 Annual Conference of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL), 2024
- [43] Pruning as a Domain-specific LLM Extractor. Nan Zhang, Yanchi Liu, Xujiang Zhao, Wei Cheng, Runxue Bao, Rui Zhang, Prasenjit Mitra, Haifeng Chen. In 2024 Annual Conference of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL) Findings, 2024
- [42] MT-Ranker: Reference-free Machine Translation Evaluation by Inter-system Ranking. Ibraheem Muhammad Moosa, Rui Zhang, Wenpeng Yin. In the Twelfth International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2024
- [41] FaMeSumm: Investigating and Improving Faithfulness of Medical Summarization. Nan Zhang, Yusen Zhang, Wu Guo, Prasenjit Mitra, Rui Zhang. In the 2023 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP), 2023

- [40] Unified Low-Resource Sequence Labeling by Sample-Aware Dynamic Sparse Finetuning. Sarkar Snigdha Sarathi Das, Ranran Haoran Zhang, Peng Shi, Wenpeng Yin, Rui Zhang. In the 2023 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP), 2023
- [39] Exploring the Potential of Large Language Models in Generating Code-Tracing Questions for Introductory Programming Courses. Aysa Xuemo Fan, Ranran Haoran Zhang, Luc Paquette, Rui Zhang. In the 2023 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP) Findings, 2023
- [38] Hermes: Unlocking Security Analysis of Cellular Network Protocols by Synthesizing Finite State Machines from Natural Language Specifications. Abdullah Al Ishtiaq, Sarkar Snigdha Sarathi Das, Syed Md Mukit Rashid, Ali Ranjbar, Kai Tu, Tianwei Wu, Zhezheng Song, Weixuan Wang, Mujtahid Al-Islam Akon, Rui Zhang, Syed Rafiul Hussain. In the 33rd USENIX Security Symposium (USENIX Security), 2024
- [37] XSemPLR: Benchmarking Cross-Lingual Semantic Parsing in Multiple Natural Languages and Meaning Representations. Yusen Zhang, Jun Wang, Zhiguo Wang, Rui Zhang. In the 61th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2023
- [36] MACSum: Controllable Summarization with Mixed Attributes. Yusen Zhang, Yang Liu, Ziyi Yang, Yuwei Fang, Yulong Chen, Dragomir Radev, Chenguang Zhu, Michael Zeng, Rui Zhang. In the Transactions of the Association for Computational Linguistics (TACL), 2023
- [35] ConEntail: An Entailment-based Framework for Universal Zero and Few Shot Classification with Supervised Contrastive Pretraining. Ranran Haoran Zhang, Aysa Xuemo Fan, Rui Zhang. In The 17th Conference of the European Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (EACL), 2023
- [34] Selective Annotation Makes Language Models Better Few-Shot Learners. Hongjin Su, Jungo Kasai, Chen Henry Wu, Weijia Shi, Tianlu Wang, Jiayi Xin, Rui Zhang, Mari Ostendorf, Luke Zettlemoyer, Noah A. Smith, Tao Yu. In The Eleventh International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2023
- [33] Beyond the Imitation Game: Quantifying and extrapolating the capabilities of language models. with many authors in the BIG-bench Team. In The Transactions on Machine Learning Research (TMLR), 2023
- [32] XRICL: Cross-lingual Retrieval-Augmented In-Context Learning for Cross-lingual Text-to-SQL Semantic Parsing. Peng Shi, Rui Zhang, He Bai, Jimmy Lin. In the Findings of EMNLP, 2022
- [31] ReasTAP: Injecting Table Reasoning Skills During Pre-training via Synthetic Reasoning Examples. Yilun Zhao, Linyong Nan, Zhenting Qi, Rui Zhang, Dragomir Radev. In the 2022 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP), 2022
- [30] UnifiedSKG: Unifying and Multi-Tasking Structured Knowledge Grounding with Text-to-Text Language Models. Tianbao Xie, Chen Henry Wu, Peng Shi, Ruiqi Zhong, Torsten Scholak, Michihiro Yasunaga, Chien-Sheng Wu, Ming Zhong, Pengcheng Yin, Sida I Wang, Victor Zhong, Bailin Wang, Chengzu Li, Connor Boyle, Ansong Ni, Ziyu Yao, Dragomir Radev, Caiming Xiong, Lingpeng Kong, Rui Zhang, Noah A. Smith, Luke Zettlemoyer, Tao Yu. In the 2022 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP), 2022
- [29] Summ^N: A Multi-Stage Summarization Framework for Long Input Dialogues and Documents. Yusen Zhang, Ansong Ni, Ziming Mao, Chen Henry Wu, Chenguang Zhu, Budhaditya Deb, Ahmed H. Awadallah, Dragomir Radev, Rui Zhang. In the 60th Annual Meeting of the Association for

- [28] CONTaiNER: Few-Shot Named Entity Recognition via Contrastive Learning. Sarkar Snigdha Sarathi Das, Arzoo Katiyar, Rebecca J. Passonneau, Rui Zhang. In the 60th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2022
- [27] MultiHiertt: Numerical Reasoning over Multi Hierarchical Tabular and Textual Data. Yilun Zhao, Yunxiang Li, Chenying Li, Rui Zhang. In the 60th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2022
- [26] DYLE: Dynamic Latent Extraction for Abstractive Long-Input Summarization. Ziming Mao, Chen Henry Wu, Ansong Ni, Yusen Zhang, Rui Zhang, Tao Yu, Budhaditya Deb, Chenguang Zhu, Ahmed H. Awadallah, Dragomir Radev. In the 60th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2022
- [25] FeTaQA: Free-form Table Question Answering. Linyong Nan, Chiachun Hsieh, Ziming Mao, Xi Victoria Lin, Neha Verma, Rui Zhang, Wojciech Kryściński, Nick Schoelkopf, Riley Kong, Xiangru Tang, Murori Mutuma, Ben Rosand, Isabel Trindade, Renusree Bandaru, Jacob Cunningham, Caiming Xiong, Dragomir Radev. In the Transactions of the Association for Computational Linguistics (TACL), 2022
- [24] Structured in Space, Randomized in Time: Leveraging Dropout in RNNs for Efficient Training. Anup Sarma, Sonali Singh, Huaipan Jiang, Rui Zhang, Mahmut T Kandemir, Chita R Das. In the Thirty-fifth Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2021
- [23] TURINGBENCH: A Benchmark Environment for Turing Test in the Age of Neural Text Generation. Adaku Uchendu, Zeyu Ma, Thai Le, Rui Zhang, Dongwon Lee. *In the Findings of EMNLP*, 2021
- [22] An Exploratory Study on Long Dialogue Summarization: What Works and What's Next. Yusen Zhang*, Ansong Ni*, Tao Yu, Rui Zhang, Chenguang Zhu, Budhaditya Deb, Asli Celikyilmaz, Ahmed Hassan Awadallah, Dragomir Radev. *In the Findings of EMNLP*, 2021
- [21] Cross-language Sentence Selection via Data Augmentation and Rationale Training. Yanda Chen, Chris Kedzie, Suraj Nair, Petra Galuščáková, Rui Zhang, Douglas Oard, Kathleen McKeown. In the 59th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2021
- [20] Logic-Consistency Text Generation from Semantic Parses. Chang Shu*, Yusen Zhang*, Xiangyu Dong, Peng Shi, Tao Yu, Rui Zhang. In the Findings of ACL, 2021
- [19] SCoRe: Pre-Training for Context Representation in Conversational Semantic Parsing. Tao Yu, Rui Zhang, Oleksandr Polozov, Christopher Meek, Ahmed Hassan Awadallah. *In the Ninth International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)*, 2021
- [18] DART: Open-Domain Structured Data Record to Text Generation. Linyong Nan, Dragomir Radev, Rui Zhang, Amrit Rau, Abhinand Sivaprasad, Chiachun Hsieh, Nazneen Fatema Rajani, Xiangru Tang, Aadit Vyas, Neha Verma, Pranav Krishna, Yangxiaokang Liu, Nadia Irwanto, Jessica Pan, Faiaz Rahman, Ahmad Zaidi, Murori Mutuma, Yasin Tarabar, Ankit Gupta, Tao Yu, Yi Chern Tan, Xi Victoria Lin, Caiming Xiong, Richard Socher. In 2021 Annual Conference of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linquistics (NAACL), 2021
- [17] ESPRIT: Explaining Solutions to Physical ReasonIng Tasks. Nazneen Fatema Rajani*, Rui Zhang*, Yi Chern Tan, Stephan Zheng, Jeremy Weiss, Aadit Vyas, Abhijit Gupta, Caiming Xiong, Richard Socher, Dragomir Radev. In the 58th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational

- [16] Editing-based SQL Query Generation for Cross-Domain Context-Dependent Questions. Rui Zhang, Tao Yu, He Yang Er, Sungrok Shim, Eric Xue, Xi Victoria Lin, Tianze Shi, Caiming Xiong, Richard Socher and Dragomir Radev. In the 2019 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP), 2019
- [15] CoSQL: A Conversational Text-to-SQL Challenge Towards Cross-Domain Natural Language Interfaces to Databases. Tao Yu, Rui Zhang, He Yang Er, Suyi Li, Eric Xue, Bo Pang, Xi Victoria Lin, Yi Chern Tan, Tianze Shi, Zihan Li, Youxuan Jiang, Michihiro Yasunaga, Sungrok Shim, Tao Chen, Alexander Fabbri, Zifan Li, Luyao Chen, Yuwen Zhang, Shreya Dixit, Vincent Zhang, Caiming Xiong, Richard Socher, Walter Lasecki and Dragomir Radev. In the 2019 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP), 2019
- [14] This Email Could Save Your Life: Introducing the Task of Email Subject Line Generation. Rui Zhang, Joel Tetreault. In the 57th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2019
- [13] Improving Low-Resource Cross-lingual Document Retrieval by Reranking with Deep Bilingual Representations. Rui Zhang, Caitlin Westerfield, Sungrok Shim, Garrett Bingham, Alexander Fabbri, Neha Verma, William Hu, Dragomir Radev. In the 57th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2019
- [12] SParC: Cross-Domain Semantic Parsing in Context. Tao Yu, Rui Zhang, Michihiro Yasunaga, Yi Chern Tan, Xi Victoria Lin, Suyi Li, Heyang Er, Irene Li, Bo Pang, Tao Chen, Emily Ji, Shreya Dixit, David Proctor, Sungrok Shim, Jonathan Kraft, Vincent Zhang, Caiming Xiong, Richard Socher and Dragomir Radev. In the 57th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2019
- [11] ScisummNet: A Large Annotated Corpus and Content-Impact Models for Scientific Paper Summarization with Citation Networks. Michihiro Yasunaga, Jungo Kasai, Rui Zhang, Alexander Fabbri, Irene Li, Dan Friedman, Dragomir Radev. In the Thirty-Third AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2019
- [10] Surprise Languages: Rapid-Response Cross-Language IR. Douglas Oard, Petra Galuščáková, Kathleen McKeown, Marine Carpuat, Mohamed Elbadrashiny, Ramy Eskander, Kenneth Heafield, Efsun Kayi, Chris Kedzie, Smaranda Muresan, Suraj Nair, Xing Niu, Dragomir Radev, Anton Ragni, Han-Chin Shing, Yan Virin, Weijia Xu, Rui Zhang, Elena Zotkina, Joseph Barrow, Mark Gales. In the Ninth International Workshop on Evaluating Information Access (EVIA), 2019
- [9] SyntaxSQLNet: Syntax Tree Networks for Complex and Cross-Domain Text-to-SQL Task. Tao Yu, Michihiro Yasunaga, Kai Yang, Rui Zhang, Dongxu Wang, Zifan Li, Dragomir Radev. In the 2018 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP), 2018
- [8] Spider: A Large-Scale Human-Labeled Dataset for Complex and Cross-Domain Semantic Parsing and Text-to-SQL Task. Tao Yu, Rui Zhang, Kai Yang, Michihiro Yasunaga, Dongxu Wang, Zifan Li, James Ma, Irene Li, Qingning Yao, Shanelle Roman, Zilin Zhang, Dragomir Radev. In the 2018 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP), 2018
- [7] Neural Coreference Resolution with Deep Biaffine Attention by Joint Mention Detection and Mention Clustering. Rui Zhang, Cícero Nogueira dos Santos, Michihiro Yasunaga, Bing Xiang, Dragomir Radev. In the 56th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2018

- [6] Improving Text-to-SQL Evaluation Methodology. Catherine Finegan-Dollak, Jonathan K. Kummerfeld, Li Zhang, Karthik Ramanathan, Sesh Sadasivam, Rui Zhang, Dragomir Radev. In the 56th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2018
- [5] TypeSQL: Knowledge-based Type-Aware Neural Text-to-SQL Generation. Tao Yu, Zifan Li, Zilin Zhang, Rui Zhang, Dragomir Radev. In the 16th Annual Conference of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL-HLT), 2018
- [4] Addressee and Response Selection in Multi-Party Conversations with Speaker Interaction RNNs. Rui Zhang, Honglak Lee, Lazaros Polymenakos, Dragomir Radev. In The Thirty-Second AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2018
- [3] Graph-based Neural Multi-Document Summarization. Michihiro Yasunaga, Rui Zhang, Kshitijh Meelu, Ayush Pareek, Krishnan Srinivasan, Dragomir Radev. In the Conference on Computational Natural Language Learning (CoNLL), 2017
- [2] Effects of Text Corpus Properties on Short Text Clustering Performance. Catherine Finegan-Dollak, Reed Coke, Rui Zhang, Xiangyi Ye, Dragomir Radev. In the 54th Annual Conference of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2016
- [1] Dependency Sensitive Convolutional Neural Networks for Modeling Sentences and Documents. Rui Zhang, Honglak Lee, Dragomir Radev. In the 15th Annual Conference of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL-HLT), 2016

WORKSHOP PUBLICATIONS

- [7] Large Language Models for Mathematical Reasoning: Progresses and Challenges. Janice Ahn, Rishu Verma, Renze Lou, Di Liu, Rui Zhang, Wenpeng Yin. In the Student Research Workshop at EACL 2024, 2024
- [6] MIA 2022 Shared Task: Evaluating Cross-lingual Open-Retrieval Question Answering for 16 Diverse Languages. Akari Asai, Shayne Longpre, Jungo Kasai, Chia-Hsuan Lee, Rui Zhang, Junjie Hu, Ikuya Yamada, Jonathan H Clark, Eunsol Choi. *In the Workshop on Multilingual Information Access (MIA) at NAACL 2022, 2022*
- [5] Cross-Lingual Training with Dense Retrieval for Document Retrieval. Peng Shi, Rui Zhang, He Bai, Jimmy Lin. In the First Workshop on Multilingual Representation Learning at EMNLP 2021, 2021
- [4] Prefix-to-SQL: Text-to-SQL Generation from Incomplete User Questions. Naihao Deng, Shuaichen Chang, Peng Shi, Tao Yu, Rui Zhang. In the First Workshop on Natural Language Processing for Programming (NLP4Prog) at ACL 2021, 2021
- [3] EVOQUER: Enhancing Temporal Grounding with Video-Pivoted Back Query Generation. Yanjun Gao, Lulu Liu, Jason Wang, Xin Chen, Huayan Wang, Rui Zhang. In the Visually Grounded Interaction and Language (ViGIL) at NAACL 2021, 2021
- [2] Did You Ask a Good Question? A Cross-Domain Question Intention Classification Benchmark for Text-to-SQL. Yusen Zhang, Xiangyu Dong, Shuaichen Chang, Tao Yu, Peng Shi, Rui Zhang. In the First workshop on Interactive and Executable Semantic Parsing at EMNLP 2020, 2020
- [1] MATERIALizing Cross-Language Information Retrieval: A Snapshot. Petra Galuščáková, Douglas Oard, Joe Barrow, Suraj Nair, Shing Han-Chin, Elena Zotkina, Ramy Eskander, Rui Zhang. In the Workshop on Cross-Language Search and Summarization of Text and Speech at LREC 2020, 2020

Patent

[1] Modeling Multiparty Conversation Dynamics: Speaker, Response, Addressee Selection Using a Novel Deep Learning Approach. Rui Zhang, Lazaros Polymenakos, Dragomir Radev, David Nahamoo, Honglak Lee. *US20190341036*, 2019

TUTORIALS

EMNLP 2024 tutorial: Enhancing LLM Capabilities Beyond Scaling Up

NAACL 2022 tutorial: Contrastive Data and Learning for Natural Language Processing

Workshops

EMNLP 2025 workshop: New Frontiers in Summarization

IJCAI 2024 workshop: AI for Research

NAACL 2022 workshop: Structured and Unstructured Knowledge Integration (SUKI)

NAACL 2022 workshop: Multilingual Information Access (MIA)

EMNLP 2020 workshop: Interactive and Executable Semantic Parsing (IntEx-SemPar)

Professional Service Panelist, NSF Panel, 2024

Panelist, NSF Panel, 2022

Tutorial Chair, NAACL 2025

Tutorial Chair, NAACL 2024

Area Chair, NeurIPS 2025

Area Chair, ACL 2025

Area Chair, ACL 2025 Demo

Area Chair, COLING 2025

Area Chair, NeurIPS 2024

Area Chair, EMNLP 2024

Area Chair, NeurIPS 2023

Area Chair, EMNLP 2023

Area Chair, AACL 2023

Area Chair (Summarization Track), EMNLP 2022

Area Chair (Question Answering Track), NLPCC 2022

Area Chair (Summarization Track), EMNLP 2021

Area Chair (Summarization Track), NAACL 2021

Area Chair (Summarization and Generation Track), NLPCC 2021

Action Editor, Transactions on Machine Learning Research (TMLR), 2024

Journal Reviewer, Transactions of the Association for Computational Linguistics (TACL), 2022-2025

Journal Reviewer, IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (TPAMI), 2024

Journal Reviewer, Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research (JAIR), 2024

Journal Reviewer, Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering (TKDE), 2019

Journal Reviewer, Transactions on Asian and Low-Resource Language Information Processing (TAL-

LIP), 2019, 2023

Organizing Committee member, The 12th Mid-Atlantic Student Colloquium on Speech, Language

and Learning (MASC-SLL 2025)

Panelist, KnowledgeNLP: Workshop on Knowledge Augmented Methods for NLP at AAAI 2023

Mentor, Applying for a PhD in NLP at ACL Mentorship Program 2022

Group Mentoring, the Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2020

Birds-of-a-Feather Meetup Host, the Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2020

Program Committee member, The 4th Workshop on New Frontiers in Summarization at EMNLP 2023

Program Committee member, Workshop for Summarization of Creative Text at COLING 2022

Program Committee member, The 3rd Workshop on New Frontiers in Summarization at EMNLP 2021

Program Committee member, The First Workshop on Natural Language Processing for Programming (NLP4Prog) at ACL 2021

Program Committee member, The 2nd Workshop on Data Science with Human-in-the-loop: Language Advances (DaSH-LA) at NAACL 2021

Program Committee member, The Workshop on Cross-Language Search and Summarization over Text and Speech (CLSSTS) at LREC 2020

Program Committee member, The 3rd Workshop on Natural Language Generation from the Semantic Web (WebNLG+ 2020)

Program Committee member, The 13th Workshop on Graph-Based Natural Language Processing (TextGraphs 2019) at EMNLP 2019

Program Committee member, The Workshop on e-Commerce and NLP (ECNLP 2019) at WWW 2019

Reviewer, Conference on Language Modeling (COLM), 2024

Reviewer, ACL Rolling Review, 2024

Reviewer, the 2022 China National Conference on Computational Linguistics (CCL), 2022

Reviewer, ACL Rolling Review, 2022

Reviewer, ACL Rolling Review, 2021

Reviewer, 2021 IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP), 2021

Reviewer, the Thirty-Fifth Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2021

Reviewer, the Ninth International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2021

Reviewer, the Thirty-seventh International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2021

Reviewer, the Thirty-seventh International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2020

Program Committee member, the Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2021

Program Committee member, the Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2020

Program Committee member, the Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP), 2019

Program Committee member, the Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics

(ACL), 2019

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