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RESEARCH INTERESTS My current research focus is to build Deep Learning systems for Natural Language Processing tasks, including text classification, sentiment analysis, dialog systems, summarization, coreference resolution.

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EDUCATION Yale University

Aug 2017 - Present

PhD, Computer Science

Advised by Prof. Dragomir Radev

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Aug 2015 - May 2017

PhD student, Computer Science

Advised by Prof. Dragomir Radev and Prof. Honglak Lee

GPA 4.0/4.0

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Sept 2013 - Apr 2015

B.S.E., Computer Engineering

Summa Cum Laude

GPA 3.93/4.0

Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Sept 2011 - Aug 2015

B.S.E., Electrical and Computer Engineering

GPA 3.89/4.0

RESEARCH Internships Grammarly Inc., New York

May 2018 - Aug 2018

Summer Research Intern

IBM Thomas J. Watson Research Center, New York

May 2017 - Aug 2017

Summer Research Intern

Deep Learning for Coreference Resolution in TensorFlow

PUBLICATIONS

Tao Yu, Michihiro Yasunaga, Kai Yang, **Rui Zhang**, Dongxu Wang, Zifan Li, Dragomir Radev. SyntaxSQLNet: Syntax Tree Networks for Complex and Cross Domain Text-to-SQL Task. *In the 2018 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP)*, 2018

Tao Yu, **Rui Zhang**, Kai Yang, Michihiro Yasunaga, Dongxu Wang, Zifan Li, James Ma, Irene Li, Qingning Yao, Shanelle Roman, Zilin Zhang, Dragomir Radev. Spider: A Large-Scale Complex Human-Labeled SQL Corpus for Semantic Parsing and Text-to-SQL Generation. *In the 2018 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP)*, 2018

Rui Zhang, Cicero Nogueira dos Santos, Michihiro Yasunaga, Bing Xiang, Dragomir Radev. Neural Coreference Resolution with Deep Biaffine Attention by Joint Mention Detection and Mention Clustering. In the 56th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2018

Catherine Finegan-Dollak, Jonathan K. Kummerfeld, Li Zhang, Karthik Ramanathan, Sesh Sadasivam, **Rui Zhang**, Dragomir Radev. Improving Text-to-SQL Evaluation Methodology. In the 56th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2018

Tao Yu, Zifan Li, Zilin Zhang, Rui Zhang, Dragomir Radev. TypeSQL: Knowledge-based Type-Aware Neural Text-to-SQL Generation. In the 16th Annual Conference of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL-HLT), 2018

Rui Zhang, Honglak Lee, Lazaros Polymenakos, Dragomir Radev. Addressee and Response Selection in Multi-Party Conversations with Speaker Interaction RNNs. In The Thirty-Second AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2018

Michihiro Yasunaga, **Rui Zhang**, Kshitijh Meelu, Ayush Pareek, Krishnan Srinivasan, Dragomir Radev. Graph-based Neural Multi-Document Summarization. *In the Conference on Computational Natural Language Learning (CoNLL)*, 2017

Catherine Finegan-Dollak, Reed Coke, **Rui Zhang**, Xiangyi Ye, Dragomir Radev. Effects of Text Corpus Properties on Short Text Clustering Performance. In the 54th Annual Conference of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2016

Rui Zhang, Honglak Lee, Dragomir Radev. Dependency Sensitive Convolutional Neural Networks for Modeling Sentences and Documents. In the 15th Annual Conference of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL-HLT), 2016

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES HONORS AND

AWARDS

Reviewer: AAAI 2019

Yale Conference Travel Fellowship
Rackham Conference Travel Grant
CSE Departmental Fellowship
Outstanding Undergraduate Research Award
James B. Angell Scholar
Wang Chu Chien-Wen Research Scholarship
Academic Excellence Scholarship (top 1%)
Bao Steel Excellence Scholarship
University Merit Student
Dean's List

Yale University, December 2017
University of Michigan, March 2016
University of Michigan, 2015-2016
University of Michigan, March 2015
University of Michigan, May 2014
University of Michigan, Oct 2012, Oct 2013
Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Oct 2012
Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Sept 2012
Every Semester

Teaching

Artificial Intelligence (CPSC 570), Yale University

Fall 2017

Natural Language Processing (EECS 595), University of Michigan

Fall 2016

• Heading TA for maintaining autograders and holding office hours.

Natural Language Processing (Coursera)

• Maintain autograders for programming assignments for a Coursera online course

Artificial Intelligence (EECS 492), University of Michigan

Winter 2015

• Prepare Homeworks and Exam Problems. Hold office hours.

Intro to Programming (EECS 183), University of Michigan

Fall 2014

- Assist with project specifications, lab materials, and exam grading
- Test project auto-grader by self-developing solutions
- Help students with concepts, projects in office hours
- Communicate concerns with instructors to make course effective