# Rui Zhang

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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.

EDUCATION

### Yale University

Aug 2017 - Present

Ph.D, Computer Science

Advised by Prof. Dragomir Radev and Prof. Honglak Lee

### University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Aug 2015 - May 2017

Ph.D 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

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

#### IBM Thomas J. Watson Research Center, New York

May 2017 - Aug 2017

Summer Research Intern

Deep Learning for Coreference Resolution in TensorFlow

### Publications

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. 2017. 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. 2016. 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. 2016. 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

Honors	AND
AWARDS	

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%)

Academic Excellence Scholarship (1)
Bao Steel Excellence Scholarship
University Merit Student
Dean's List

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

SKILLS

- Languages: Python, C++, Common Lisp, Prolog, C, Bash Scripts, Java, SQL, JavaScript, PHP, HTML
- Applications/Platforms: TensorFlow, Theano, Torch, Matlab, LaTex, Git, Mathematica, Linux

# Standardized Tests

GRE: Verbal 156 Quantitative 170 AW 4.5

TOEFL: 107 (Speaking 24)