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EDUCATION

•Institute of Computing Technology, Chinese Academy of Sciences (ICT/CAS)

MS Candidate in Computer Science and Technology -GPA: 3.83/4.0

University of International Business and Economics

BS in Data Science and Big Data Technology -GPA: 3.71/4.0 (Rank:2/147)

Beijing, China Sep. 2021 - present Beijing, China Sep. 2017 - Jun. 2021

Research Interests

- Natural Language Processing
- Machine Translation
- Language Modeling

PUBLICATIONS

•Enhancing Neural Machine Translation with Semantic Units

Langlin Huang, Shuhao Gu, Zhuocheng Zhang, Yang Feng

EMNLP findings, 2023. [Paper][Code]

•BayLing: Bridging Cross-lingual Alignment and Instruction Following through Interactive Translation for Large Language Models

Shaolei Zhang, Qingkai Fang, Zhuocheng Zhang, Zhengrui Ma, Yan Zhou, Langlin Huang, Mengyu Bu,

Shangtong Gui, Yunji Chen, Xilin Chen, Yang Feng

Preprint edition on arXiv. Jun. 2023 [Paper] [Code]

•Automatic Construction of a Depression-Domain Lexicon Based on Microblogs: Text Mining Study

Genghao Li, Bing Li, Langlin Huang, Sibing Hou

JMIR medical informatics, 2020, Vol 8. Jun. 2020 [Paper]

PROJECTS

•BayLing: On the Multi-lingual Ability & Multi-turn Interaction of Large Language Models Apr. 2023 - Jun. 2023 Exploited the language-aligning potential of translation data for improving the multi-lingual ability of LLMs;

Constructed interactive translation data and leveraged it to enhance LLM's instruction following ability.

- $\ \textbf{Contributions} \hbox{: } \textbf{Sifted high-quality translation data with statistical and model-based metrics}.$
 - Found the few high-quality translation data magic, efficiently endowing LLaMA with new language capability.
- Achievement: Released BayLing, a multilingual & interactive LLM finetuned with a few data based on LLaMA.
- Project link: https://github.com/ictnlp/BayLing/tree/main
- •Learning & Leveraging Semantic Units Representation for Neural Machine Translation Oct. 2022 Jun. 2023 Aggregated tokens that combine to form a holistic semantics, yielding a compact sentence representation;

Improved translation performance by leveraging the compact and the original sentence representations.

- Contributions: Proposed a model-free approach to efficiently extract phrases from large corpus.
 Proposed an approach to aggregate multiple tokens into a single one, with minimum semantics loss.
- Achievement: Significantly improved translation performance by 1.4 BLEU on En-De task over baseline system and outperformed other related works.

•CVAE-based Label Smoothing for Neural Machine Translation

Feb. 2022 - Aug. 2022

Proposed a flexible label smoothing for training language models and translation models.

- Contributions: Proposed to replace uniform distributions with predicted real label distributions in label-smoothed cross-entropy loss.
 - Proposed to predict real label distribution with a Conditional Variational Auto Encoder(CVAE) module by fore-seeing the ground truth word.
- Achievement: Significantly improved translation performance by 1.2 BLEU on En-Ro and Zh-En translation tasks.
- Patent ID: CN202210950390.3

•Chinese-Thai Translation System

May. 2022 - Jul. 2022

Developed strong Chinese-Thai bidirectional machine translation systems.

- Contributions: Proposed a strategy to modify pre-trained language model mBART, without hurting performance. Crawled external in-domain texts and augmented training data via back-translation.
- Achievement: Won the Championship in the 18th China Conference on Machine Translation(CCMT) Zh-Th track.
- Technical Report link: http://sc.cipsc.org.cn/mt/conference/2022/papers/test_paper/60/60_Paper.pdf

•Automatic Construction of a Depression-Domain Lexicon Based on Microblogs

Jun. 2019 - Jun. 2020

Constructed a depression-domain lexicon, starting from few seed words, by analyzing Weibo texts.

- Contributions: Crawled a large amount of depression domain texts from microblog (Sina Weibo). Leveraged word2vec and label propagation algorithm to enlarge depression lexicon iteratively.
- **Achievement**: Proposed a depression domain lexicon with more than 500 words, helping significantly improve online depression detection.
- Paper link: https://medinform.jmir.org/2020/6/e17650

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Master: Python, Pytorch, C, C++, Pandas, Data Analysis & Visualization

Proficient: JAVA, R, Shell, LaTeX, Web Crawler