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RESEARCH INTEREST

Siyu Yuan (员司雨) is a four-year Ph.D. student at Fudan University in the School of Data Science. Her interested research topics are mostly around **cognitive science with generative agents**, including (but are not limited to):

- **Planning and Reasoning**: Focus on equipping generative agents with human-level planning and reasoning capabilities, including *agent planning*, *tool invocation* and *multi-agent collaboration*.
- **Cognitive Modeling**: Explore cognitive knowledge in generative agents to enable them to generate responses that align better with human cognition, including *analogical reasoning*, *role-playing* and *belief exploration*.
- **Knowledge Acquisition**: Excavate cognitive knowledge based on generative agents to construct rich knowledge resources that can be effectively utilized, including *concept acquisition*, *analogy making*, *idiom construction* and *pun generation*.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Statistics. Fudan University

National Scholarship for Doctoral Students 2021-2026 (estimated)

B.S. in Data Science. Fudan University
National Scholarship, Outstanding Graduate Student in Shanghai. 2017-2021

EXPERIENCE

ByteDance Seed-LLM-Horizon September 2024 - Present

o Role: Research Intern

- o Advisor: Dr. Jiangjie Chen and Dr. Jiecao Chen
- Topics: Revision Capabilities of Autonomous Agents [1]

Microsoft Research Asia September 2023 - Jun 2024

- o Role: Research Intern
- Advisor: Dr. Kaitao Song
- o Topics: Autonomous Agents with Planning and Tool Use
- o Project: Participate in the JARVIS project (Github Stars: 23.6K) [2] [3] [4]
- Honor: Stars of Tomorrow (Top 50%)

ByteDance AI-Lab January 2023 - May 2023

- o Role: Research Intern
- o Advisor: Dr. Changzhi Sun and Jiaze Chen
- Topics: Evaluation and Improvement on the analogical reasoning abilities of LLMs [14].

Brain Technologies June 2022 - September 2022

- Role: Research Intern
- o Advisor: Dr. Charles Jankowski
- Topics: Symbolic Knowledge Distillation for Language Planning and LLM Prompt Engineering [7].

Knowledge Works Lab at Fudan University

March 2019 - Present

2021

- o Role: Student Researcher
- o Advisor: Prof. Yanghua Xiao and Dr. Jiangjie Chen
- o Topics: Knowledge Acquisition, e.g., Analogy-making [15], Entity Typing [17], and Concept Extraction [18] [16].

AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

China National Scholarship for Doctoral Students • Fudan University	2024
ACL 2023 Outstanding Paper Award (Top 1%) • Association of Computational Linguistics	2023
Huatai Securities Scholarship • Fudan University	2023

Fudan University

Outstanding Graduate Student of Shanghai Colleges and University (Top 5%)

Fudan University

China National Scholarship for Undergraduate

Fudan University

2018

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

[*: Equal Contribution; ♠: Student I Mentored; †: Project Leader;]

Planning and Reasoning.

- [1] Agent-R: Training Language Model Agents to Reflect via Iterative Self-Training Siyu Yuan, Zehui Chen, Zhiheng Xi, Junjie Ye, Zhengyin Du, Jiecao Chen Long paper, Preprint, 2025. Huggingface Daily Paper Top-1
- [2] EvoAgent: Towards Multi-Agent Generation via Evolutionary Algorithms
 Siyu Yuan*, Kaitao Song*, Jiangjie Chen, Xu Tan, Dongsheng Li, Deqing Yang
 Long paper, in: NAACL 2025.
- [3] EasyTool: Enhancing LLM-based Agents with Concise Tool Instruction
 Siyu Yuan*, Kaitao Song*, Jiangjie Chen, Xu Tan, Yongliang Shen, Ren Kan, Dongsheng Li, Deqing Yang Long paper, in: NAACL 2025. In the JARVIS project (Github Stars: 23.6K)
- [4] TaskBench: Benchmarking Large Language Models for Task Automation Yongliang Shen*, Kaitao Song*, Xu Tan, Wenqi Zhang, Kan Ren, Siyu Yuan, Weiming Lu, Dongsheng Li, Yueting Zhuang Long paper, in: Neurips 2024. In the JARVIS project (Github Stars: 23.6K)
- [5] Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is: Evaluating Strategic Planning and Execution of LLM Agents in an Auction Arena Jiangjie Chen, **Siyu Yuan**, Rong Ye, Bodhisattwa Prasad Majumder, Kyle Richardson Long paper, Preprint, 2024.
- [6] TIMEARENA: Shaping Efficient Multitasking Language Agents in a Time-Aware Simulation Yikai Zhang, Siyu Yuan, Caiyu Hu, Kyle Richardson, Yanghua Xiao, Jiangjie Chen Long paper, in: ACL 2024.
- [7] Distilling Script Knowledge from Large Language Models for Constrained Language Planning Siyu Yuan, Jiangjie Chen, Ziquan Fu, Xuyang Ge⁴, Soham Shah, Charles Robert Jankowski, Yanghua Xiao, Deqing Yang Long paper, in: ACL 2023. Outstanding Paper Award (Top 1%)

Cognitive Modeling

- [8] Unlocking Scientific Concepts: How Effective Are LLM-Generated Analogies for Student Understanding and Classroom Practice? Zekai Shao*, Siyu Yuan*, Lin Gao, Yixuan He, Deqing Yang, Siming Chen Long paper, in: CHI 2025.
- [9] Past Meets Present: Creating Historical Analogy with Large Language Models Nianqi Li⁴, Siyu Yuan, Jiangjie Chen, Jiaqing Liang, Feng Wei, Zujie Liang, Deqing Yang, Yanghua Xiao Long paper, Preprint 2024.
- [10] From Persona to Personalization: A Survey on Role-Playing Language Agents
 Jiangjie Chen*, Xintao Wang*, Rui Xu*, Siyu Yuan*, Yikai Zhang**, Wei Shi*, Jian Xie*, Shuang Li*, Ruihan Yang*,
 Tinghui Zhu, Aili Chen, Nianqi Li*, Lida Chen, Caiyu Hu, Siye Wu, Scott Ren, Ziquan Fu, Yanghua Xiao
 Long paper, in: TMLR.
- [11] Boosting Scientific Concepts Understanding: Can Analogy from Teacher Models Empower Student Models?

 Siyu Yuan*, Jiayang Cheng*, Lin Qiu, Deqing Yang

 Short paper, in: EMNLP 2024.
- [12] Evaluating Character Understanding of Large Language Models via Character Profiling from Fictional Works Xinfeng Yuan[†], Siyu Yuan[†], Yuhan Cui*[†], Tianhe Lin[‡], Xintao Wang, Rui Xu, Jiangjie Chen, Deqing Yang Long paper, in: EMNLP 2024.
- [13] "A good pun is its own reword": Can Large Language Models Understand Puns? Zhijun Xu*, Siyu Yuan†, Lingjie Chen*, Deqing Yang Long paper, in: EMNLP 2024.

Knowledge Acquisition

- [14] AnalogyKB: Unlocking Analogical Reasoning of Language Models with A Million-scale Knowledge Base Siyu Yuan*, Jiangjie Chen*, Jiaqing Liang, Changzhi Sun, Yanghua Xiao, Deqing Yang Long paper, in: ACL 2024.
- [15] Beneath Surface Similarity: Large Language Models Make Reasonable Scientific Analogies after Structure Abduction Siyu Yuan, Jiangjie Chen, Xuyang Ge⁴, Yanghua Xiao, Deqing Yang

- Long paper, in: EMNLP 2023 (Findings).
- [16] Causality-aware Concept Extraction based on Knowledge-guided Prompting
 Siyu Yuan, Deqing Yang, Jinxi Liu, Shuyu Tian, Jiaqing Liang, Yanghua Xiao, Rui Xie
 Long paper, in: ACL 2023.
- [17] Generative Entity Typing with Curriculum Learning
 Siyu Yuan, Deqing Yang, Jiaqing Liang, Zhixu Li, Jinxi Liu, Jingyue Huang, Yanghua Xiao
 Long paper, in: EMNLP 2022.
- [18] Large-Scale Multi-granular Concept Extraction Based on Machine Reading Comprehension
 Siyu Yuan, Deqing Yang, Jiaqing Liang, Jilun Sun, Jingyue Huang, Kaiyan Cao, Yanghua Xiao, Rui Xie.
 Long paper, in: ISWC 2021.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- [*: Equal Contribution; ♠: Student I Mentored; †: Project Leader;]
- [19] ToolHop: A Query-Driven Benchmark for Evaluating Large Language Models in Multi-Hop Tool Use Junjie Ye, Zhengyin Du, Xuesong Yao, Weijian Lin, Yufei Xu, Zehui Chen, Zaiyuan Wang, Sining Zhu, Zhiheng Xi, Siyu Yuan, Tao Gui, Qi Zhang, Xuanjing Huang, Jiechao Chen Long paper, Preprint, 2025.
- [20] MultiLingPoT: Enhancing Mathematical Reasoning with Multilingual Program Fine-tuning Nianqi Li, Zujie Liang, **Siyu Yuan**, Jiaqing Liang, Feng Wei, Yanghua Xiao Long paper, Preprint, 2024.
- [21] Revealing the Barriers of Language Agents in Planning
 Jian Xie, Kexun Zhang, Jiangjie Chen, Siyu Yuan, Kai Zhang, Yikai Zhang, Lei Li, Yanghua Xiao
 Long paper, in: NAACL 2025.
- [22] WAPITI: A Watermark for Finetuned Open-Source LLMs
 Lingjie Chen, Ruizhong Qiu, Siyu Yuan, Zhining Liu, Tianxin Wei, Hyunsik Yoo, Zhichen Zeng, Deqing Yang, Hanghang Tong
 Long paper, Preprint, 2024.
- [23] SELFGOAL: Your Language Agents Already Know How to Achieve High-level Goals Ruihan Yang[†], Jiangjie Chen, Yikai Zhang[†], Siyu Yuan, Kyle Richardson, Yanghua Xiao, Deqing Yang Long paper, in: NAACL 2025.
- [24] MINDECHO: Role-Playing Language Agents for Key Opinion Leaders Rui Xu, Dakuan Lu, Xiaoyu Tan, Xintao Wang, <u>Siyu Yuan</u>, Jiangjie Chen, Wei Chu, Xu Yinghui Long paper, Under Review, 2024.
- [25] Character is Destiny: Can Large Language Models Simulate Persona-Driven Decisions in Role-Playing?
 Rui Xu, Xintao Wang, Jiangjie Chen, Siyu Yuan, Xinfeng Yuan, Jiaqing Liang, Zulong Chen, xiaoqingdong, Yanghua Xiao
 Long paper, Preprint, 2024.
- [26] InCharacter: Evaluating Personality Fidelity in Role-Playing Agents through Psychological Interviews
 Xintao Wang, Yunze Xiao, Jen-tse Huang, Siyu Yuan, Rui Xu, Haoran Guo, Quan Tu, Yaying Fei, Ziang Leng, Wei Wang,
 Jiangjie Chen, Cheng Li, Yanghua Xiao
 Long paper, in: ACL 2024.
- [27] Light Up the Shadows: Enhance Long-Tail Entity Grounding with Concept-Guided Vision-Language Models Yikai Zhang, Qianyu He, Xintao Wang, Siyu Yuan, Jiaqing Liang, Yanghua Xiao Long paper, in: ACL 2024 (Findings).
- [28] Translate Meanings, Not Just Words: IdiomKB's Role in Optimizing Idiomatic Translation with Language Models Shuang Li[†], Jiangjie Chen, Siyu Yuan, Xinyi Wu, Hao Yang, Shimin Tao, Yanghua Xiao Long paper, in: AAAI 2024.
- [29] Contextual Information and Commonsense Based Prompt for Emotion Recognition in Conversation Jingjie Yi, Deqing Yang, Siyu Yuan, Kaiyan Cao, Zhiyao Zhang and Yanghua Xiao Long paper, in: ECML PKDD 2022.

Academic Service

 Program Committee/Reviewer of EMNLP (2022-), APIN (2022-), ACL ARR (2023-), ICLR (2024), COLM (2024), and some corresponding workshops