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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Information Extraction; Text Mining; Event Extraction & Schema Induction; Knowledge-boosted Application; Application of NLP & Machine Learning

EDUCATION

Beijing Institute of Technology, Beijing, China

• Ph.D. Candidate, Computer Science

Sep 2017 -

- · Adviser: Prof. Heyan Huang
- Topic: Event extraction on low-resources domains, including automatically inducting event schemas using unsupervised approachs and jointly extracting multiple events in texts
- M.S., Computer Science (Rank 5/192)

Sep 2016 – Jun 2017

- · Adviser: Prof. Heyan Huang
- · Successive postgraduate and doctoral program
- **B.S.**, Computer Science (Rank 4/220)

Sep 2012 – Jun 2016

• Outstanding Graduates at BIT and in Beijing

Singapore University of Technology and Design, Singapore

- **Joint Ph.D. student**, Information Science Technology and Design Aug 2018 Mar 2019
 - · Host: Prof. Yue Zhang and Prof. Jun Sun
 - Topic: Information extraction using neural latent variable models and variational inferences

Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

• **Joint Ph.D. student**, School of Computer Science and Engineer

Mar 2019 – Sep 2019

- Host: Prof. Erik Cambria and Prof. Yue Zhang
- Topic: Event applications, knowledge-based sentiment analysis and stock market prediction

EXPERIENCE

Microsoft Research Asia, Beijing, China

- **Research Intern**, Data Mining and Enterprise Intelligence Group Dec 2016 Nov 2017
 - Worked with Dr Jun Yan and Yaobo Liang on semantic similarity computation and generation.
 - Participated in the FAQ Retrieval project for Pfizer that provides every input question with an answer by retrieving similar standard questions with well-written answers.
 - Built a high-recall filter for top-n similar question-question pairs.
 - Built pair-wise CNNs to classify the question intents for boosting question matching.
 - Built paraphrase generation models by synonyms replacement with language models and beam search.
 - Built a deep learning paraphrase generation model based on an NMT seq2seq framework.

Netease Youdao, Beijing, China

■ **Research and Development Intern**, Machine Translation Group Nov 2015 – Dec 2016

- Improved the result of the Japanese-to-Chinese machine translation service by 4% point increment in BLEU.
- Cleaned corpus from different sources, optimized word segmentation and ordering strategies, enlarged bilingual and monolingual corpus, trained larger language models, and deployed them into the online production environment.
- Designed the framework and built the first version of parallel sentence pairs crawler with switchable alignment methods on Spark clusters.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Program Committee Member / Reviewer

- Conferences: ACL Rolling Review, ACL 2021, ACL 2020, EMNLP 2021, EMNLP 2020, EACL 2021, NAACL 2021, AAAI 2021, NLPCC 2021
- Journals: TASLP, TKDE, TALLIP, PLoS One and JCCE

Secondary Reviewer

 Conferences: ACL 2019, ACL 2018, EMNLP 2019, EMNLP 2018, COLING 2018, CCL 2017, NLPCC 2016

PUBLICATION

- [1] **Xiao Liu**, Heyan Huang, Ge Shi, Bo Wang. Dynamic Prefix-Tuning for Generative Template-based Event Extraction. *In Proceedings of the 60th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics* (**ACL**), 2022. (**Long, to appear**)
- [2] **Xiao Liu**, Heyan Huang, Yue Zhang. Open Domain Event Extraction Using Neural Latent Variable Models. *In Proceedings of the 57th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics* (**ACL**), 2019. (**Long Oral**)
- [3] **Xiao Liu**, Zhunchen Luo, Heyan Huang. Jointly Multiple Events Extraction via Attention-based Graph Information Aggregation. *In Proceedings of the 2018 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing* (EMNLP), 2018. (Long Oral)
- [4] **Xiao Liu**, Heyan Huang, Yue Zhang. End-to-End Event Factuality Prediction Using Directional Labeled Graph Recurrent Network. *Information Processing & Management* (**IPM**), 2022, 59(2): 102836.
- [5] Heyan Huang, **Xiao Liu**, Yue Zhang, Chong Feng. News-Driven Stock Prediction via Noisy Equity StateRepresentation. *Neurocomputing* (**NEUCOM**), 2021, 470: 66-75.
- [6] Heyan Huang, **Xiao Liu**, Qian Liu. Knowledge-Enhanced Graph Encoding Method for Metaphor Detection in Text. 基于知识增强的文本隐喻识别图编码方法. *Journal of Computer Research and Development*, 计算机研究与发展, 2022. (in Chinese, to appear)
- [7] Heyan Huang, **Xiao Liu**. A Survey on Event Extraction in New Domains. 面向新领域的事件抽取研究综述. *CAAI Transactions on Intelligent Systems*, 智能系统学报, 2022, 17(1): 201-212. (in Chinese)
- [8] **Xiao Liu**, Ge Shi, Bo Wang, Changsen Yuan, Heyan Huang, Chong Feng, Lifang Wu. BIT-Event at NLPCC-2021 Task 3: Subevent Identification via Adversarial Training. *In Proceedings of the 10th CCF International Conference on Natural Language Processing and Chinese Computing* (NLPCC), 2021. (Rank 1/15)

- [9] Heyan Huang, **Xiao Liu**, Ge Shi. Information Extraction and Applications. 文本信息抽取及应用研究(专著). *Publishing House of Electronics Industry*, 电子工业出版社, 2022. (in Chinese, before publishing)
- [10] Heyan Huang, **Xiao Liu**. An Event Factuality Prediction Method Based on Graph Recurrent Neural Network (Patent). 一种基于图循环神经网络的事件事实性检测方法(专利). CN202011626720, 2020. (**in Chinese, under examination**)
- [11] Qingkai Min, Libo Qin, Zhiyang Teng, **Xiao Liu**, Yue Zhang. Dialog State Tracking Using Neural Latent Variable Models. *In Proceedings of the Twenty-Ninth International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence* (**IJCAI**), 2020.
- [12] Changsen Yuan, Heyan Huang, Chong Feng, **Xiao Liu**, Xiaochi Wei. Distant Supervision for Relation Extraction with Linear Attenuation Simulation and Non-IID Relevance Embedding. *Proceedings of the Thirty-Third AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence* (**AAAI**), 2019.
- [13] Zhunchen Luo, Xiao Liu. Real-time Scholarly Retweeting Prediction System. In Proceedings of the 27th International Conference on Computational Linguistics (COLING), 2018.
- [14] Wenhan Chao, Ping Wei, Zhunchen Luo, Xiao Liu, Guobin Sui. Selective Expression for Event Coreference Resolution on Twitter In Proceedings of the 2019 International Joint Conference on Neural Networks (IJCNN), 2019.
- [15] Zhunchen Luo, Jun Chen, **Xiao Liu**. Real-Time Scientific Impact Prediction in Twitter. In Proceedings of the 2018 CCF Conference on Big Data. Part of the Communications in Computer and Information Science, vol 945. Springer, Singapore. (**BigData**), 2018.

SELECTED OPEN-SOURCE PROJECTS

 \star represents the number of github stars.

■ **JMEE** ★195 https://github.com/lx865712528/EMNLP2018-JMEE A neural sequence labeling framework with graph convolution network layer to jointly extract multiple events in a sentence. It gives the best performance on the event extraction task of the ACE 2005 dataset in 2018.

■ **ODEE** ★94 https://github.com/lx865712528/ACL2019-ODEE
A neural-extended unsupervised schema induction and open domain event extraction framework which supports incrementally learning. A business report corpus is published along with this framework.

TEACHING Beijing Institute of Technology, Beijing, China

Teaching Assistant

Sep 2014 – Jan 2015

· Algorithm and Data Structure

■ Teaching Assistant

Sep 2017 – Nov 2017

• Selected Topics In New Technology for Computer

HONORS AND AWARDS

High-level Joint Doctoral Students Scholarship, China

Aug 2018 – Sep 2019

- China Scholarship Council *No. 201806030142*
- Fully funded high-level Ph.D. students for jointly studying abroad officially.

Beijing Outstanding Graduates, Beijing

Jun 2016

 This award program recognizes undergraduate students in Beijing universities who show outstanding grades and potential in their studies.

Outstanding Students Award, BIT

2012 - 2019

- Six times.
- Beijing Institute of Technology Annual Award and Honor. For rewarding excellent (top 5%) students in BIT in the academic year.

China Century Group Scholarship

2014

 Sponsor and award 4 undergraduate students and 2 postgraduate students who major in computer science every year in BIT by China Century Group.

First-class Ph.D. Academic Scholarship, BIT

2017 - 2019

- Two times.
- This award program recognizes top 5 Ph.D. students majored in computer science every year.

First-class M.S. Academic Scholarship, BIT

2016

• This award program recognizes top 30 master students majored in computer science every year.

First-class Undergraduate Academic Scholarship, BIT

2013 - 2016

- Four times.
- As for undergraduate student, select top 5% by last semester's GPA.

COMPETITIONS AND

HACKATHONS

Rank 1st in the NLPCC 2021 Sharedtask 3

Jun 2021

- The sharedtask 3 in NLPCC 2021 is about Sub-event Identification, whose goal is to build an Information Extraction system that can quickly adapt to a new occurring sub-event.
- The team I lead won the championship, outperforming the second place 1.88% in accuracy.

Gold Medal in CCPC Regional

Oct 2016

- The 2nd China Collegiate Programming Contest Regional Hefei Onsite
- The rules and difficulties are the same to the ACM/ICPC Regional contests.

Bronze Medal in ACM/ICPC Regional

Oct 2014

■ The 39th ACM/ICPC Regional Beijing Onsite

Bronze Medal in ACM/ICPC Regional

Dec 2014

■ The 39th ACM/ICPC Regional Shanghai Onsite

ACTIVITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

Association of Programming and Algorithms, BIT

Co-founder

Sep 2013 – Jun 2014

- Organize and invite programming contest experts to deliver lectures.
- Host Freshman Enrollment Programming Contest in the end of the first semester every year.

Annual Programming Contest, BIT

Problem Provider and Onsite Contest Judge

May 2015 – May 2017

- Provided several problems for the contests and verify all the selected problems.
- Judged program solutions and did the real time Q&A about the problem descriptions during the contests.

PROGRAMMING

■ Python, C/C++, L^AT_EX, Java, Scala, Bash under Linux/Unix/Windows.

LANGUAGES

• PyTorch, Tensorflow, Keras.