Yueqing Xuan

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EDUCATION

PhD in Computer Science, RMIT University

Aug 2022 - Now

- Supervisors: Assoc Prof Jeffrey Chan, Prof Mark Sanderson and Dr Kacper Sokol (ETH Zurich).
- Scholarship: Recipient of the Australian Research Council (ARC) Centre of Excellence for Automated Decision-Making and Society (ADM+S).
- Research Focus: Explainability and fairness in Machine Learning and Recommender Systems.

Master of Information Technology, University of Melbourne

Feb 2020 - Jul 2022

- Specialisation: Artificial Intelligence.
- Supervisors: Dr Lea Frermann and Dr Adi Tarigoppula.
- WAM: 84.50 Distinction.
- **Achievements**: Recognised on the *Dean's Honours List 2021* at the University of Melbourne for top 5% students. Awarded *Melbourne Graduate Scholarship 2022*.

Bachelor of Commerce, University of New South Wales

Jul 2015 - Jul 2018

- Major: Accounting and Information Systems.
- WAM: 74.50.

Publications

Thesis

[1] Yueqing Xuan. "Multi-modal Entity Linker". Master thesis. School of Engineering and Information Technology, University of Melbourne, 2021.

Conference and Journal Papers

- [1] Yueqing Xuan, Kacper Sokol, Mark Sanderson, Jeffrey Chan. "Perfect Counterfactual Explanations in an Imperfect World: Modelling Noisy Implementation of Actions in Sequential Algorithmic Recourse". ECML PKDD 2025 Conference Journal Track. Under review. In: *arXiv preprint arXiv:2410.02273*. 2024.
- [2] Kacper Sokol*, Edward Small*, Yueqing Xuan*. "Navigating Explanatory Multiverse Through Counterfactual Path Geometry". ECML PKDD 2025 Conference Journal Track. Under review. In: arXiv preprint arXiv:2306.02786. 2024.
- [3] Yueqing Xuan, Edward Small, Kacper Sokol, Danula Hettiachchi, Mark Sanderson. "Comprehension Is a Double-Edged Sword: Over-Interpreting Unspecified Information in Intelligible Machine Learning Explanations". International Journal of Human-Computer Studies (IJHCS), 2024, 103376, ISSN 1071-5819, https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijhcs.2024.103376.

Workshop Papers

- [1] Yueqing Xuan*, Edward Small*, Danula Hettiachchi*, Kacper Sokol*. "Helpful, Misleading or Confusing: How Humans Perceive Fundamental Building Blocks of Artificial Intelligence Explanations". ACM CHI Workshop on Human-Centered Explainable AI (HCXAI). In: *arXiv* preprint *arXiv*:2303.00934. 2023.
- [2] Kacper Sokol*, Edward Small*, Yueqing Xuan*. "Navigating Explanatory Multiverse Through Counterfactual Path Geometry". ICML (International Conference on Machine Learning) Workshop on Counterfactuals in Minds and Machines. In: *arXiv* preprint arXiv:2306.02786. 2023.

Professional Service

Conference Reviewing

• SIGIR (2023).

TEACHING

Tutor "Algorithm and Analysis"

s1, s2 2024

• 2rd year B.Sc. course, School of Computing Technologies, RMIT University.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, University of Melbourne, Melbourne

Nov 2019

- Research project: Humanoid robotic arm control through verbal commands (GitHub Link).
- Integrated the Porcupine wake word engine and IBM Watson speech recognition system into the robotic arm control framework for the anthropomorphic robotic limb. Interacted with the humanoid robot with real-time control through natural language commands.

IT Support and Business Analysis Intern, The Altius Group, Sydney Mar 2019 – May 2019

- Effectively managed, configured and troubleshoot a range of IT-related systems.
- Responsibly implemented and administrated database documentation, policies and procedures.
- Performed application and hardware configuration deployment and troubleshooting.

GIS Data Processing Intern, Institute of Technical Physics, Shanghai

Nov 2016 – Feb 2017

- Worked in the Big Data team to analyse Geographic Information System (GIS) data by utilising the ContextCapture software.
- Designed and maintained database architecture, data structures, tables, dictionaries, and naming conventions to ensure the accuracy and completeness of data master files.