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Education

Bachelor of Engineering, Computer Science

Sept 2020 – June 2024

South China University of Technology(SCUT), Guangdong, China

GPA: 3.59/4.00 (Top 5)

Relevant Courses: Algorithm design and analysis(94), Probability & Mathematical Statistics(94), Discrete Mathematics(95), Data Structure(92), Database System(90), Java Programming(93), Advanced Language Program Design(97), Advanced Topics of Information Technology(98)

Publications

Intrinsic Evaluation of Unlearning Using Parametric Knowledge Traces

June 2024

Yihuai Hong, Lei Yu, Shauli Ravfogel, Haiqin Yang, Mor Geva

Under review for ICLR 2024

Dissecting Fine-Tuning Unlearning in Large Language Models

June 2024

Yihuai Hong, Yuelin Zou, Lijie Hu, Ziqian Zeng, Di Wang, Hainqin Yang

EMNLP 2024 Main

Interpretability-based Tailored Knowledge Editing in Transformers

June 2024

Yihuai Hong, Aldo Lipani

EMNLP 2024 Main

ConsistentEE: A Consistent and Hardness-Guided Early Exiting Method for Accelerating Language Models Inference

Aug 2023

Ziqian Zeng*, **Yihuai Hong***, HongLiang Dai, Huiping Zhuang, Cen Chen

AAAI 2024, Main Track.

Research Experience

Research Intern, University of Toronto

Sept 2024 - Present

Supervisor: *Prof. Zhijin Jin (Rising Star in ML, DS and EECS)*

- Mechanistic understanding of LLM Reasoning and Memorization

Research Intern, Alibaba DAMO Academy

Aug 2024 - Present

Supervisor: *Dr. Lidong Bing and Dr. Wenxuan Zhang*

- Effective parametric Knowledge Erasing in LLM

Research Intern, Tel Aviv University

Feb 2024 – Aug 2024

Supervisor: *Prof. Mor Geva Pipek from Google Research*

- Internal Evaluation of LLM Unlearning and Mechanistic understanding of Jailbreaking

Research Intern, China International Digital Economy Academy

Dec 2023 - Feb 2024

Supervisor: *Dr. Haiqin Yang*

- Dissecting the drawbacks of Finetuning-based Unlearning in LLM

Research Intern, University College London

June 2023 - Dec 2023

Supervisor: *Prof. Aldo Lipani*

- Targeted Knowledge Editing in LLM mitigating Over-editing issues

Research Intern, South China University of Technology

June 2022 - Aug 2023

Supervisor: *Prof. Ziqian Zeng*

- Efficient Inference in LLM through Early-exit and RL algorithm

Honors and Awards

AAAI 2024 Student Scholarship	Dec 2023
Top Ten Excellent Students Nomination Award of South China University of Technology	Nov 2023
China National Scholarship	Sept 2023
Meritorious Winner of The Mathematical Contest in Modeling (MCM)	May 2023
Kaggle Silver medal (Top 5%)	July 2021
• CommonLit Readability Prize: Rate the complexity of literary passages for grades 3-12 classroom use Kaggle	
Kaggle Bronze medal (Top 6%)	Mar 2022
• Evaluating Student Writing: Analyze argumentative writing elements from students grades 6-12	
SCUT First Prize Scholarship	Oct 2022

Patent

Self-supervised pre-training method, system and medium for Chinese Pinyin spelling correction.	Sept 2022
IP No: 202211156374.3	

Academic Services

Program Committee: ICLR (2025), AAAI (2024), ACL ARR (Feb. 2024 - June 2024)

SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, C++, C, Matlab, Java, Latex

Framework & Tools: PyTorch, TensorFlow, Django

Languages: English, Chinese (Native)