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PhD Student

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My research spans a wide range of topics within the field of machine learning, focusing on computer vision, natural language processing and computational science. Specifically, my work involves the pre-training of generative visual-language models, the investigation of multi-modal sentence embeddings, the exploration of few-shot learning in both vision and language domains, as well as the application of AI and ML in scientific contexts.

Professional Experience

Research Scientist Intern, ByteDance/TikTok AML — *Bellevue, WA*

Develop efficient generative visual-language models based on LLM. — *June. 2023 - Sept. 2023*

Advisor: Yunzhe Tao and Hongxia Yang

Research Scientist Intern, Snap Research — *Palo Alto, CA*

Develop neural speakers for affective image captioning. — *June. 2022 - Sept. 2022*

Advisor: Panos Achlioptas

Research Scientist Intern, NEC Labs America — *Princeton, NJ*

Develop physical-augmented ML models for precision immunotherapy. — *June. 2021 - Sept. 2021*

Advisor: Martin Renqiang Min

Education

Dartmouth College — *Hanover, NH, USA*

Doctor of Philosophy - Computer Science — *Sept. 2018 - Jan. 2024 (expected)*

Advisor: Soroush Vosoughi

The George Washington University — *Washington DC, USA*

Master of Science - Physics — *Sept. 2015 - May. 2017*

Advisor: Chen Zeng

Huazhong University of Science and Technology — *Wuhan, China*

Bachelor of Science - Physics — *Sept. 2011 - May. 2015*

Thesis advisor: Yi Xiao

Publications

[P17] SimVLG: Simple and Efficient Pretraining of Visual Language Generative Models

preprint, 2023

***Yiren Jian**, Tingkai Liu, Yunzhe Tao, Soroush Vosoughi, Hongxia Yang*

[P16] Bootstrapping Vision-Language Learning with Decoupled Language Pre-training

Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems, 2023

***Yiren Jian**, Chongyang Gao, Soroush Vosoughi*

[P15] Knowledge from Large-Scale Protein Contact Prediction Models Can Be Transferred to the Data-Scarce RNA Contact Prediction Task

preprint, 2023

***Yiren Jian**[†], Chongyang Gao, Chen Zeng, Yunjie Zhao, Soroush Vosoughi[†]*

[P14] Evaluating Native-like Structures of RNA-protein Complexes Through the Deep Learning Method

Nature Communications, 2023

*Chengwei Zeng[#], **Yiren Jian**[#], Soroush Vosoughi, Chen Zeng, Yunjie Zhao*

[P13] Non-Linguistic Supervision for Contrastive Learning of Sentence Embeddings

Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems, 2022

***Yiren Jian**, Chongyang Gao, Soroush Vosoughi*

[P12] T-Cell Receptor-Peptide Interaction Prediction with Physical Model Augmented Pseudo-Labeling

In Proceedings of the 28th ACM SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining, 2022

***Yiren Jian**, Erik Kruus, Martin Renqiang Min*

[P11] Embedding Hallucination for Few-shot Language Fine-tuning

In Proceedings of the 2022 Conference of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics: Human Language Technologies

***Yiren Jian**, Chongyang Gao, Soroush Vosoughi*

[P10] Contrastive Learning for Prompt-based Few-shot Language Learners

In Proceedings of the 2022 Conference of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics: Human Language Technologies

***Yiren Jian**, Chongyang Gao, Soroush Vosoughi*

[P9] Label Hallucination for Few-Shot Classification

Proceedings of the 36th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence, 2022

***Yiren Jian**, Lorenzo Torresani*

[P8] MetaPix: Domain Transfer for Semantic Segmentation by Meta Pixel Weighting

Image and Vision Computing, 2021

***Yiren Jian**, Chongyang Gao*

[P7] Task Meta-Transfer from Limited Parallel Labels

Meta-Learning Workshop at Neural Information Processing Systems, 2020

***Yiren Jian**, Karim Ahmed, Lorenzo Torresani*

[P6] DIRECT: RNA Contact Predictions by Integrating Structural Patter

BMC Bioinformatics, 2019

***Yiren Jian**, Xiaonan Wang, Jiadi Qiu, Huiwen Wang, Zhichao Liu, Yunjie Zhao, Chen Zeng*

[P5] Trace, Machine Learning of Signal Images for Trace-Sensitive Mass Spectrometry: A Case Study from Single-Cell Metabolomics

Analytical Chemistry, 2019

*Zhichao Liu, Erika P. Portero, **Yiren Jian**, Yunjie Zhao, Rosemary M. Onjiko, Chen Zeng, Peter Nemes*

[P4] Design of Tat-activated Cdk9 Inhibitor

Journal of Peptide Research and Therapeutics, 2019

*Yunjie Zhao, Hao Chen, Chenghang Du, **Yiren Jian**, Haotian Li, Yi Xiao, Mohammed Saifuddin, Fatah Kashanchi, and Chen Zeng*

[P3] Rbind: Computational Network Method to Predict the Binding Sites of RNA Molecules

Bioinformatics, 2018

*Kaili Wang#, **Yiren Jian#**, Huiwen Wang, Chen Zeng and Yunjie Zhao*

[P2] Computational Study of Non-catalytic T-loop Pocket on CDK Proteins for Drug Development

Chinese Physics B, 2017

*Huiwen Wang, Kaili Wang, Zeyu Guan, **Yiren Jian**, Ya Jia, Fatah Kashanchi, Chen Zeng, Yunjie Zhao*

[P1] Network Analysis Reveals the Recognition Mechanism for Dimer Formation of Bulb-type Lectins

Scientific Report, 2017

*Yunjie Zhao#, **Yiren Jian#**, Zhichao Liu, Hang Liu, Qin Liu, Chanyou Chen, Zhangyong Li, Lu Wang, H. Howie Huang, Chen Zeng*

Patents

T-cell receptor repertoire selection prediction with physical model augmented pseudo-labeling *(NEC Labs America)*

Academic Services

2024 **Invited Reviewer,** International Conference on Learning Representations
2024 **Invited Reviewer,** Annual AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence
2023 **Invited Reviewer,** Northern European Journal of Language Technology
2023 **Invited Reviewer,** IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision
2023 **Invited Reviewer,** Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems
2023 **External Reviewer,** Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics

Teaching Experience

2019, 2021 **Graduate Teaching Assistant,** Deep Learning (graduate-level course) *Dartmouth*
2021-2023 **Graduate Teaching Assistant,** Machine Learning (graduate-level course) *Dartmouth*
2018 **Graduate Teaching Assistant,** Machine Learning (graduate-level course) *Dartmouth*
2015-2016 **Graduate Teaching Assistant,** University Physics (undergraduate course) *GWU*