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## **Employment** Senior Rese

Senior Research Scientist

Jan. 2017 - present

Bloomberg L.P., New York, NY

Research Intern
Machine Learning Department
Microsoft Research Redmond, WA

May. 2015 - Aug. 2015

May. 2014 - Aug. 2014

Mentor: Ming-Wei Chang

Mentor: Scott Wen-tau Yih

Research Intern
Internet Services Research Center (ISRC) Group

Microsoft Research Redmond, WA

Research Scientist Intern
May. 2013 - Jul. 2013 & May. 2012 - Aug. 2012
Speech Group & NLU Group
Mentor: Bjoern Hoffmeister & Imre Kiss

Amazon, inc. Seattle, WA

#### Education

Doctor of Philosophy
Aug. 2011 - Dec. 2016
School of Interactive Computing
Georgia Institute Technology, Atlanta, GA
Advisor: Jacob Eisenstein

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \textit{Bachelor of Science} & \textit{Sep.2007 - Jun.2011} \\ \textit{School of Software} & \textit{GPA: } 3.70/4.0, \, \textit{Rank: } 2/144 \end{array}$ 

Beihang University, Beijing, China

#### **Publications**

Yi Yang and Jacob Eisenstein. Overcoming Language Variation in Sentiment Analysis with Social Attention. Transactions of the Association for Computational Linguistics (TACL), 2017 (Journal Paper)

Yi Yang, Ming-Wei Chang, and Jacob Eisenstein. Toward Socially-Infused Information Extraction: Embedding Authors, Mentions, and Entities. In Proceedings of Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP), 2016 (Full Paper)

Yi Yang and Jacob Eisenstein. Part-of-Speech Tagging for Historical English. In Proceedings of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL), 2016 (Oral Full Paper)

Yi Yang and Jacob Eisenstein. Putting Things in Context: Community-specific Embedding Projections for Sentiment Analysis. Technical Report, 2015

Yi Yang, Wen-tau Yih, and Christopher Meek. WikiQA: A Challenge Dataset for Open-Domain Question Answering. In Proceedings of Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP), 2015 (Short Oral Paper)

Yi Yang and Ming-Wei Chang. S-MART: Novel Tree-based Structured Learning Algorithms Applied to Tweet Entity Linking. In Proceedings of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2015 (Full Oral Paper)

Yi Yang and Jacob Eisenstein. Unsupervised Multi-Domain Adaptation with Feature Embeddings. In Proceedings of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL), 2015 (Full Paper)

Yi Yang and Jacob Eisenstein. Unsupervised Domain Adaptation with Feature Embeddings. In Proceedings of the International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2015 (Workshop Paper)

Yi Yang and Jacob Eisenstein. Fast Easy Unsupervised Domain Adaptation with Marginalized Structured Dropout. In Proceedings of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2014. (Short Paper)

Yi Yang and Jacob Eisenstein. A Log-Linear Model for Unsupervised Text Normalization. In Proceedings of Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP), 2013. (Full Oral Paper)

Yi Yang and Lambert Mathias. A Statistical Machine Translation Approach to Entity Recognition. In Proceedings of Amazon Conference on Machine Learning, 2013

Fangtao Li, Minlie Huang, **Yi Yang**, and Xiaoyan Zhu. Learning to Identify Review Spam. In Proceedings of the International Joint Conference On Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI), 2011. (Full Oral Paper)

Minlie Huang, Yi Yang, and Xiaoyan Zhu. Quality-biased Ranking of Short Texts in Microblogging Services. In Proceedings of the International Joint Conference on Natural Language Processing (IJCNLP), 2011 (Full Oral Paper)

Rezarta Islamaj Doan, **Yi Yang**, Aurlie Nvol, Minlie Huang, and Zhiyong Lu. Identifying Protein-protein Interactions in Biomedical Text Articles. *In Proceedings of the BioCreative Challenge Evaluation Workshop*, 2010

### Selected Talks

Invited Talk, June 2016. "Toward Robust Text Analysis for Language Variation" University of Pennsylvania; Bloomberg L.P.; Baidu Research; Google Research

Conference Talk, June 2016. "Part-of-Speech Tagging for Historical English." NAACL 2016

Invited Talk, May 2016. "Efficiently Learning and Applying Dense Feature Representations for Natural Language Processing" *IBM research*; Allen Institute for Artificial Intelligence (AI2)

Guest lecture, December 2015. "Domain Adaptation for Natural Language Processing." CS~4650/7650, Natural Language Processing

Conference Talk, July 2015. "S-MART: Novel Tree-based Structured Learning Algorithms Applied to Tweet Entity Linking."  $ACL\ 2015$ 

Guest lecture, March 2015. "Deep Learning of Representations for Domain Adaptation." CS8803DL, Deep Learning for Perception

Intern Talk, August 2014. "Improved Tweet Entity Linking with Structured Gradient Tree Boosting." NLP/ISRC group, MSR

Conference Talk, October 2013. "A Log-Linear Model for Unsupervised Text Normalization."  $EMNLP\ 2013$ 

Intern Talk, August 2012. "A statistical machine translation approach to entity recognition." Amazon Tech Talk series

# Teaching Experience

• Computational Journalism

• Intro to Enterprise Computing

• J2EE Architecture

• Java Programming Language

• Algorithm Analysis & Design

Spring 2016

Spring 2013

Spring 2011

Fall 2010

Fall 2009

### Computer Skills

- Programming Language: Python, C++, Java, Matlab, C#, JavaScript, HTML
- Databases: SQL Server, Oracle, MySql
- Tools: Theano, Hadoop, Mallet, Indri, Lucene

# Professional Service

- Program Committee Member
  - 2017: ACL, EMNLP, EACL, RepL4NLP, SocialNLP, WUNT
  - 2016: ACL, SocialNLP, WNUT, Human-Computer QA
  - 2015: ACL, EMNLP
  - 2014: ACL
- $\bullet$  Conference Review: ICML 2017, CONLL 2014, EMNLP 2013, ICDCS 2012, WWW 2011

## Selected Honors

• ACL Student Volunteer	2015
• Georgia Tech GSC Travel Grant	2015
ACL Outstanding Reviewer	2015
• NAACL Student Volunteer	2015
• ACL Student Travel Awards	2014
• EMNLP Student Volunteer	2013
• Excellent Student of Beihang University (Top 1%)	2010
• First Prize for Academic Excellent Student (Top 2%), Beihang University	2010
• Ranked 7th in ACM Programming Contest, Beihang University	2009
• First Prize for Innovative Student (Top 2%), Beihang University	2009
• National Scholarship (Top 2%), P.R.China	2009