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## **FDUCATION**

#### UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

MS IN INFORMATION SCIENCE Expected April 2019 | PITTSBURGH, PA Cum. GPA: 3.59

#### **SHENZHEN UNIVERSITY**

BS IN MATHEMATICS AND APPLIED MATHEMATICS

July 2017 | SHENZHEN, CHINA Cum. GPA: 3.23 TOP 20%

# LINKS

Github://zhaomin1995

## COURSEWORKS

#### **GRADUATE**

Human Language Technology Machine Learning Data Mining Algorithm Design Introduction to Neural Network Iterative Method

#### **UNDERGRADUATE**

Probability and Statistics C Programming Computing Method Ordinary Differential Equation Stochastic Processes Discrete Mathematics

# SKILLS

#### **PROGRAMMING**

Java • C • Matlab • R Python • MySQL •  $\LaTeX$ 

#### **FRAMEWORK**

Keras • Scikit-learn • NLTK

# REFERENCES

Diane Litman
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# PROJECT EXPERIENCE

#### **BUILD NATIVE LANGUAGE IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM**

Oct 2018 - Dec 2018 | School of Computing and Information

- Extract features like char n-gram, POS n-gram and punctuation mark counts.
- Logistic regression with different penalty is used to do feature selection and classification.
- Search for the best hyperparameter using GridSearch with 5-fold cross-validation.
- Precision, recall and F1-score on test set are 69%.

#### CLASSIFY THE HATE SPEECH AND OFFENSIVE LANGUAGE

Sep 2018 - Dec 2018 | School of Computing and Information

- Clean the data collected by making use of Twitter API.
- Use word-based TF-IDF and POS-based TF-IDF to achieve a very good baseline.
- Select various features using logistic regression.
- SVM, logistic regression and deep learning techniques are used to classify tweets.
- Obtain 89% accuracy which is very close to the start-of-the-art.

#### CLASSIFY TOXIC COMMENTS WITH BIDIRECTIONAL LSTM

May 2018 - Aug 2018 | School of Computing and Information

- Use Keras and bidirectional LSTM to classify comments based on toxic information contained in comments.
- Various dropout rates are used to avoid overfitting.
- Use Maxpooling layers to extract features.
- Many optimizers such as SGD, RMSprop and Nadam, are used to improve accuracy and accelerate the training procedure.
- Use GPUs to speedup the training procedure.

### PREDICT SNOW ACCUMULATION OF MONTANA

March 2018 – June 2018 | School of Computing and Information

- Attend weekly group meeting with team members and Norway Team.
- Model the snow accumulation using dynamic Bayesian network, Bayesian search and Naïve Bayes.
- Tune parameters via cross-validation and use ROC curve to compare models.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

#### **DERIVE RANDOM WALK IN DIFFERENT DIMENSIONS**

March 2015 - July 2015 | Shenzhen University

- Determine the recurrence and transience of random walk in 1-dimension using Stirling's formula.
- Generalize the case in 1-dimension to the case in multi-dimension using the same method.
- Analyze the case of unsymmetrical probability of different directions in various dimensions.

# AWARDS

2014 Second Class Academic Scholarship in Shenzhen University