Zihao Huang

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Education

University of British Columbia

Sep 2023 - Jun 2024

Master of Data Science - Computational Linguistics

Vancouver, BC

Hong Kong Baptist University

Sep 2017 - Jun 2021

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

Hong Kong SAR

Experience

Software Engineer - Algorithm (Contributed Researcher)

Jul 2024 - Present

Open Writing Evaluation, Paris

Vancouver, BC

- Architected multilingual GEC framework with Chinese implementation achieving 98% character-level accuracy via ResNet-34 fine-tuning on 6,600+ glyphs; Designed extensible pipeline using language-agnostic error typology.
- Innovated cross-modal validation: Combined ResNet image embeddings (font/shape analysis) with LTP semantic vectors, reducing error propagation rate by 21% on handwritten dataset through hybrid similarity scoring.
- Engineered mobile-optimized pipeline with <0.1s latency via custom caching layer for Stanza NLP toolkit, enabling real-time correction in "Chinese Grammarly" prototype adopted by Vancouver educators.

Data Engineer Intern

Apr 2024 - Jun 2024

My Living City - Community Discussion Platform

Vancouver, BC

- Engineered and deployed Meta's LLaMA3 8b using prompt engineering for auto-summarizing user comments, enhancing user interaction, and reducing redundancy. Integrated with **PostgreSQL** for efficient data handling.
- Built a Bag of Words and linear SVM classifier to detect offensive content quickly, improving response times by 60%. Developed a robust Flask API for real-time user interaction and containerized with **Docker** for easy deployment.

Research Assistant

Jul 2021 - Jun 2022

Beijing Normal-Hong Kong Baptist University

Zhuhai, China

• Directed and architected a revolutionary model combining Bi-LSTM, attention mechanisms, and quantum finance theories. Integrated a novel oscillator embedded into the time-series model, achieving a 9% improvement in predictive accuracy and a 22% increase in foreign exchange trading investment returns.

Projects

Oppositional Thinking Analysis - PAN at CLEF 2024 Challenge

 Led development of a narrative classification model, evolving from RoBERTa + knowledge graphs to Gemma 2b, achieving 92% (EN) and 90% (ES) accuracy with LoRA/LoHA fine-tuning and prompt engineering.

Dialogues in Depth: A Comparative Analysis of 'Pride and Prejudice'

• Built a corpus linguistics web app using Django, Elasticsearch, and Docker; improved retrieval speed by 40% and deployed on AWS for scalability.

Publications

Gu, Y., Huang, Z., Zeng, M., Qiu, M., Park, J. (2025). Improving Automatic Grammatical Error Annotation for Chinese Through Linguistically-Informed Error Typology. In Proceedings of COLING 2025 (pp. 2781-2798). ACL Anthology Link

Wang, J., Qiu, M., Huang, Z., et al. (2025). Refined Evaluation for End-to-End Grammatical Error Correction Using an Alignment-Based Approach. In Proceedings of COLING 2025 (pp. 774–785). ACL Anthology Link

Lee, J., Huang, Z., Lin, L., Guo, Y., Lee, R. (2023). Chaotic Bi-LSTM and Attention HLCO Predictor-Based Quantum Price Level Fuzzy Logic Trading System. Journal of Intelligent & Fuzzy Systems, 27(5), 13405–13419. Springer Link

Technical Skills

Languages: Python, Java, C++, C, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, LaTeX, Markdown

Development: Vue.js, Django, React.js, Flask, jQuery, Bootstrap, Node.js, Kubernetes, AWS

Database/Big Data Engineering: MySQL, MongoDB, PostgreSQL, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, LLM

Software Tools: Docker, Linux/Unix, Nginx, Redis, Maven, Git, Cloud Computing