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Research Interests

 Large Language Models, Multimodal AI, Natural Language Generation, Explainable Artificial Intelligence, Natural Language Processing (NLP)

Academic History

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, US

o Advisor: Prof. Xiang Ren, Prof. Muhao Chen,

Sun Yat-sen University, Ghuangzhou, China

o Advisor: Prof. Rong Pan

Sun Yat-sen University, Ghuangzhou, China

o GPA: 3.8/4.0

Ph.D. in Computer Science

Aug. 2019 - 2023 (Expected)

M.S. in Computer Science Sep. 2016 - Jun. 2019

B.S. in Computer Science

Sep. 2012 - Jun. 2016

Employment History

Meta FAIR Labs

New York, USA

Research Intern May 2023 - Aug. 2023

o Topic: Multimodal Chain-of-Thought Reasoning

o Managers: Dr. Maryam Fazel-Zarandi, Dr. Asli Celikyilmaz

Amazon Search
Research Intern
Palo Alto, USA
May 2022 - Nov. 2022

o Topic: Faithful Chain-of-Thought Reasoning

Managers: Dr. Zhengyang Wang, Dr. Zheng Li

Microsoft Azure AI Remote, USA

Research Intern May 2021 - Aug. 2021

o Topic: Knowledge-Enhanced Large Scale Language Model Pre-training

Manager: Dr. Dinghan Shen

Tencent Al LabResearch Intern, NLP Group
Jun. 2018 - Sep. 2018

o Topic: Inductive Knowledge Representation Learning

Manager: Dr. Jialong Han

Publications (Google Scholar Profile)

DOMINO: A Dual-System for Multi-step Visual Language Reasoning

- Peifeng Wang, Olga Golovneva, Armen Aghajanyan, Xiang Ren, Muhao Chen, Asli Celikyilmaz, Maryam Fazel-Zarandi
- In submission

SCOTT: Self-Consistent Chain-of-Thought Distillation

- o Peifeng Wang, Zhengyang Wang, Zheng Li, Yifan Gao, Bing Yin, Xiang Ren
- o ACL 2023 Outstanding Paper Award

PINTO: Faithful Language Reasoning Using Prompt-Generated Rationales

- o Peifeng Wang, Aaron Chan, Filip Ilievski, Muhao Chen, Xiang Ren
- ICLR 2023. A short version is accepted by TL4NLP and TSRML Workshop at NeurIPS, 2022

Contextualized Scene Imagination for Generative Commonsense Reasoning

- o Peifeng Wang, Jonathan Zamora, Junfeng Liu, Filip Ilievski, Muhao Chen, Xiang Ren
- o ICLR 2022

Do Language Model Perform Generalizable Commonsense Inference?

- o Peifeng Wang, Filip Ilievski, Muhao Chen, Xiang Ren
- ACL 2021 (Findings)

Learning to Deceive Knowledge Graph Augmented Models via Targeted Perturbation

- o Mrigank Raman, Siddhant Agarwal, **Peifeng Wang**, Aaron Chan, Hansen Wang, Sungchul Kim, Ryan Rossi, Handong Zhao, Nedim Lipka, Xiang Ren
- o ICLR 2021

Connecting the Dots: A Knowledgeable Path Generator for Commonsense Question Answering

- o Peifeng Wang, Nanyun Peng, Filip Ilievski, Pedro Szekely, Xiang Ren
- o EMNLP 2020 (Findings)

Scalable Multi-Hop Relational Reasoning for Knowledge-Aware Question Answering

- o Yanlin Feng, Xinyue Chen, Bill Yuchen Lin, Peifeng Wang, Jun Yan, Xiang Ren
- o EMNLP 2020

When Hearst Is not Enough: Improving Hypernymy Detection from Corpus with Distributional Models

- o Changlong Yu, Jialong Han, Peifeng Wang, Yangqiu Song, Hongming Zhang, Wilfred Ng and Shuming Shi
- o EMNLP 2020

Logic Attention Based Neighborhood Aggregation for Inductive Knowledge Graph Embedding

- o Peifeng Wang, Jialong Han, Chenliang Li, Rong Pan
- o AAAI 2019

Incorporating GAN for Negative Sampling in Knowledge Representation Learning

- o Peifeng Wang, Shuangyin Li, Rong Pan
- o AAAI 2018

Academic Activities

- o Program Committee Member & Reviewer: ACL-23, AAAI-23, WSDM-23, EMNLP-22, etc.
- o Tutorial: Generalizable Commonsense Reasoning. AAAI 2023.
- o Invited Talk: Generative Commonsense Reasoning. The Alan Turing Institute, 2021.

Mentoring

- Jonathan Zamora (2022), Undergraduate Student at UCSD
- Junfeng Liu (2022), Master's Student at USC
- Mrigank Raman (2021), Undergraduate Student at IIT Delhi

Awards

- ACL Outstanding Paper Award, 2023
- Annenberg Fellowship Award, University of Southern California, 2019.
- o Excellent Student Scholarship, Sun Yat-sen University, 2018.
- o First Grade Scholarship, Sun Yat-sen University, 2016,2018.