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Education

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

M.S. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

Chapel Hill, NC

Aug. 2018 - Exp. May. 2019

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

B.S. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE, OVERALL GPA: 3.86, MAJOR GPA: 3.95

Chapel Hill, NC

Aug. 2014 - May. 2018

- Graduated with the Highest Honor.
- Completed Honor Thesis "Augmenting Neural Encoder-Decoder Model for Natural Language Generation Tasks".

Publication

FIRST AUTHOR / CO-AUTHOR

2018 **Closed-book Training to Improve Summarization Encoder Memory**
Yichen Jiang and Mohit Bansal, *Proceedings of EMNLP 2018* (pdf)

Brussels, Belgium

Research Experience

UNC-NLP

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Chapel Hill, NC

Aug. 2017 - PRESENT

- Published paper "Closed Book Training to Improve Summarization Encoder" on proceedings of EMNLP 2018, in which I propose a 2-decoder architecture to generate summarization with more salient information. It significantly improves upon a strong pointer-generator baseline.
- (Work in Progress) My work on Multi-hop machine-reading dataset WikiHop currently ranks 2nd on the leaderboard.

Related Experience

Emerging Technology Lab, School of Media and Journalism, UNC

SOFTWARE ENGINEER & AI APP DEVELOPER

Chapel Hill, NC

Aug. 2017 - May. 2018

- Developed a chatbot with IBM Watson, which could answer questions regarding news in North Carolina coastal area centered at Wilmington.
- The chatbot operates on IBM Bluemix Nodejs server, and communicate with users via Facebook Messenger API. The chatbot uses Natural Language Understanding services from IBM Watson to provide users with news of interest.

Department of Computer Science, UNC

SOFTWARE ENGINEER

Chapel Hill, NC

Aug. 2016 - May. 2017

- Developed a UNC Basketball tickets exchange system as a term project, where users can post, request, and exchange tickets and our system can match compatible users. Constructed the entire front and back end individually using HTML, Javascript, PHP, etc.
- Implemented a fully functional Unix Shell with low-level Unix/POSIX system calls related to process and job control, file access, pipes and redirection.

UNC Information Technology Services

STUDENT CONSULTANT

Chapel Hill, NC

Oct. 2016 - May. 2018

- Responsible for troubleshooting computer issues for students, faculty, and staff, primarily software validation, installation and troubleshooting, data backup and other issues regarding UNC informational technological system.

Extracurricular Activities

Department of Computer Science Open Day

VOLUNTEER / PRESENTER

Chapel Hill, NC

Sep. 2018

- Volunteer at the Department Open day and demo my research project to high school students.

UNC Chinese Student Graduation Celebration

BANQUET MANAGER

Chapel Hill, NC

Jan. 2018 - May 2018

- Organized a graduation banquet for UNC seniors and their families coming from China.
- Coordinate with Sheraton Chapel Hill to arrange the dinner, stage, audios, etc.

Skills

PROGRAMMING

- Proficient with programming languages including Python, Javascript, Java, and C.
- Proficient with Deep Learning Deep Learning Libraries including Tensorflow and PyTorch.
- Experienced with Web app and Cloud-app development using Javascript, PHP, NodeJS and various Cloud services.