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EDUCATION

Tsinghua University	Beijing, China	Aug 2022 – Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PhD in Computational Linguistics (at School of Humanities), supervised by Ying Liu and cosupervised by Maosong Sun• Research Topics: Semantic Map Models, Computational Lexical Semantics, explainable LLMs• GPA: 3.93/4.0, 2023 first-level scholarship		
Southern University of Science and Technology	Shenzhen, China	Aug 2019 – June 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Master in Computer Science and Technology, supervised by Feng Zheng• Research Topics: Video Captioning, Conditional Textual Generation, Variational-based generative models• Thesis: Towards Human-like Diverse Video Captioning via a Latent Generative Model• GPA: 3.67/4.0		
Dalian University of Technology	Dalian, China	Sept. 2015 – June 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bachelor in Digital Media Technology (Software Engineering)		

PUBLICATIONS

- **Zhu Liu**, Ying Liu, Kangyang Luo, Cunliang Kong, and Maosong Sun. From the New World of Word Embeddings: A Comparative Study of Small-World Lexico-Semantic Networks in LLMs[J]. arxiv:2502.11380, 2025. **Under review**.
- **Zhu Liu**, Cunliang Kong, Ying Liu, and Maosong Sun. A Top-down Graph-based Tool for Modeling Classical Semantic Maps: A Crosslinguistic Case Study of Supplementary Adverbs. **NAACL'25**, p. 4567–4576, Albuquerque, New Mexico.
- **Zhu Liu** Evaluating Distributed Representations for Multi-Level Lexical Semantics: A Research Proposal[J]. arXiv preprint arXiv:2406.00751, 2024.
- **Zhu Liu**, Zhen Hu, Ying Liu CoMeDi Shared Task: Models as Annotators in Lexical Semantics Disagreements. CoMeDi workshop in **COLING 2025**, Abu Dhabi, UAE.
- **Zhu Liu**, Cunliang Kong, Ying Liu, and Maosong Sun. Fantastic Semantics and Where to Find Them: Investigating Which Layers of Generative LLMs Reflect Lexical Semantics. In Findings of **ACL 2024**, pages 14551–14558, Bangkok, Thailand.
- **Zhu Liu** and Ying Liu. Ambiguity Meets Uncertainty: Investigating Uncertainty Estimation for Word Sense Disambiguation. In Findings of **ACL 2023**, pages 3963–3977, Toronto, Canada.
- **Liu, Z.**, Wang, T., Zhang, J., Zheng, F., Jiang, W., Lu, K. (2022). Show, Tell and Rephrase: Diverse Video Captioning via Two-Stage Progressive Training. *IEEE Transactions on Multimedia*.

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Fourth/Fifth/Sixth Linguistics PhD Forum	Tsinghua, Beijing, China	November. 2022/2023/2024
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Content 2022: Uncertainty Estimation on Word Sense Disambiguation; Award: Rank 3/20• Content 2023: Evaluation agentiveness of Subject-object reversible sentences in LLMs; Award: Rank 1/20+• Content 2024: A Top-down Graph-based Tool for Modeling Classical Semantic Maps; Award: Rank 1/20+		

TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE

Academic Projects

- **Interactive and automatic mural captioning:** An application to provide local and comprehensive descriptions of a mural, while using generative AI to interact with the audience. (Outstanding Creative Paper Award in CDH 2023)

Academic Service

- Conference Reviewer: EMNLP 2023, Rep4NLP 2024 (ACL'24), CoMeDi with COLING 2025, NAACL SRW 2025, ACL'25
- Co-chair of SRW in ACL 2025
- Volunteer in COLING 2025, NAACL 2025

Teaching Activities

- **Teaching Assistant:** The 2023 undergraduate course: Python and Digital Humanities in Tsinghua University.
The 2020 undergraduate course: C and C++ programming design in SUSTech.

SKILLS

- Natural Languages: Mandarin Chinese (Native), English (IELTS: 7.5, October 2021), Spanish (basic), Japanese (basic).
- Programming Languages or Packages: Python, Matlab, R, C++, Pytorch.