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EDUCATION

Tsinghua University Beijing, China Aug. 2022 – Present

- PhD in Computational Linguistics (at School of Humanities), supervised by Ying Liu and cosupervised by Maosong Sun
- Research Topics: Model Evaluation and Interpretability, Computational Lexical Semantics, Semantic Map Models
- GPA: 3.93/4.0, 2023 first-level scholarship

Southern University of Science and Technology

Shenzhen, China

Aug. 2019 – June 2022

- 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

• Bachelor in Digital Media Technology (Software Engineering)

PUBLICATIONS

Model Evaluation

- **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.
- **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. 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**, Zhen Hu, Lei Dai, Ying Liu XISM: an eXploratory and Interactive Graph Tool to Visualize and Evaluate Semantic Map Models. arxiv:2507.04070, 2025. **Under review**.

Model Interpretability

- 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**, 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**.
- Kangyang Luo, Yuzhuo Bai, Cheng Gao, Shuzheng Si, Yingli Shen, **Zhu Liu**, Zhitong Wang, Cunliang Kong, Wenhao Li, Yufei Huang, Ye Tian, Xuantang Xiong, Lei Han, Maosong Sun. GLTW: Joint Improved Graph Transformer and LLM via Three-Word Language for Knowledge Graph Completion. **ACL 2025** Findings.

PROJECTS

- Exploratory and interactive graph tool for semantic map models (SMMs): A web tool to build, visualize, and evaluate SMMs from user data, enabling large-scale, human-in-the-loop analysis for language typologists.
- 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*)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

Internship Experience

• Research Intern at THUNLP, supervised by Prof. Maosong Sun

Sept. 2023 – Present

Visiting Student at Sapienza NLP Group, supervised by Prof. Roberto Navigli

Mar. 2025 - Aug. 2025

Academic Service

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

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.