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## EDUCATION

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- **The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (Guangzhou)** Guangzhou, CHINA  
*PhD in DSA Thrust, supervised by Professor Xiaowen Chu* Sep 2023 - Aug 2027
- **The University of Hong Kong** Hong Kong SAR, CHINA  
*Master of Science(MSc) in Computer Science* Sep 2022 - Aug 2023
- **George Mason University** VA, USA  
*Bachelor of Science in Computer Science; GPA: 3.71/4.0* Aug 2018 - Aug 2022  
*Honors/Awards: Dean's List (2018-2020)*  
*Courses: Natural Language Processing, Visual Computing, Data Structures, Database Concepts*

## SELECTED RESEARCH

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- **LISA: Layerwise Importance Sampling for Memory-Efficient Large Language Model Fine-Tuning**  
*NeurIPS 2024*
  - Rui Pan\*, **Xiang Liu\***, Shizhe Diao, Renjie Pi, Jipeng Zhang, Chi Han, Tong Zhang
  - Parameter Efficient Fine-tuning, Layer-wise Optimization, GPU Memory Optimization
- **Should We Really Edit Language Models? On the Evaluation of Edited Language Models**  
*NeurIPS 2024*
  - Qi Li\*, **Xiang Liu\***, Zhenheng Tang, Peijie Dong, Zeyu Li, Xinglin Pan, Xiaowen Chu
  - Model Editing, Benchmark, Model Robustness
- **LongGenBench: Long-context Generation Benchmark**  
*EMNLP Findings 2024*
  - **Xiang Liu**, Peijie Dong, Xuming Hu, Xiaowen Chu
  - Long-context Generation, Long-context LLMs, Logical Coherence

## EXPERIENCE

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- **HKUST Statistics and Machine Learning Research Group** HK, CHINA  
*Research Intern Supervisor: Prof. Tong Zhang* Dec 2022 - Aug 2023
  - Proposed **LISA: Layerwise Importance Sampling for Memory-Efficient Large Language Model Fine-Tuning**, a novel algorithm for efficient fine-tuning of LLMs, accepted at *NeurIPS 2024*.
  - Contributed to the LMFlow, a framework that allows fine-tuning and deploying personalized LLMs with minimal cost and effort. And focused on fine-tuning Large Language Models, including LLaMa, Bloom and Vicuna.
  - Conducted research on the Chain-of-thought (COT) method to enhance Large Language Models' logical ability.
- **Baidu Research Cognitive Computing Lab** Beijing, CHINA  
*Research Intern* Dec 2021 - June 2022
  - Worked on dependency parsing using the Open Information Annotation (OIA) method to convert sentences into directed acyclic graphs (DAGs).
  - Enhanced the performance of the OIA method for Chinese sentences by integrating node type and edge type specific to Chinese OIA, achieving parity with English OIA.

## COMPETITIONS

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- **Kaggle — Feedback Prize - Predicting Effective Arguments Competition** Jun 2022 - Aug 2022  
*Team Leader — Silver Medal (Top 2%)*
  - Developed baseline code, and designed various data preprocessing strategies, and model structures.
  - Implemented token classification instead of sequence classification, boosting rank and saving time on training and inference. Acquired proficiency in using Transformers training API.

## PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

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- **Languages:** English, Mandarin
- **Computing Skills:** PyTorch, Git, Linux