Mengze Hong

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EDUCATION

The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (PolyU)

PhD in Computing

Sept 2024 - June 2028

- o Supervisor: Dr. Chen Jason Zhang, Prof. Qing Li
- Research Interest: Large Language Models, Conversational Data Mining, Virtual Assets
- Teaching Experience: Teaching Assistant for "Emerging Topic in FinTech, AI and Big Data"

The University of Nottingham

BSc (Hons) Mathematics and Data Science

Sept 2021 - June 2024

- Grade: First Class Honours (GPA: 3.98/4)
- o Achievement: Faculty Best Student Award; Dean's Excellence Scholarship Award
- o Core Modules: Machine Learning, Optimization, Probability and Statistical Models

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Principal Researcher in AI

HashKey Exchange

Hong Kong, China March 2023 - Present

o Research Focus: Large Language Models, Quantitative Trading, Regulatory Tech

- Led the Joint Laboratory for AI and Virtual Assets to explore emerging technologies for Web3.
- o Delivered regular AI seminars to HashKey employees to enhance internal workflow efficiency.
- Drafted articles for publication in major Hong Kong newspapers and recorded podcasts for Web3 audiences.

AI Group, WeBank

Shenzhen, China

NLP Researcher June 2024 - June 2025

- o Research Focus: Large Language Models, Dialogue Data Mining and Customer Service Support
- Carried out large-scale industrial data processing and modeling.
- Developed customer service chatbots for banking service using Large Language Models.
- Experimented with LLMs-in-the-loop techniques for the future applications of LLMs.

Project Experience

• Conversational AI Engineering, AI Group, WeBank

June 2024 - Sep 2024

- o Developed and deployed Next-Generation Conversational AI for WeBank, enhancing customer service experience and business intelligence with LLMs and RAG for reduced hallucination and improved response accuracy.
- Implemented zero-code, three-step generation of conversational robots, supporting batch uploading of various file formats and automatic document parsing.
- Authored and presented four research papers on agent persona consistency and customer service data mining.

• Strategic Analyst, Luckin Coffee Inc.

June 2023 - September 2023

- Conducted desk research on the Chinese coffee market to provide strategic insights for informed decision-making.
- Forecasted Singapore market behavior over the next five years to identify optimal overseas expansion strategies.
- Extracted and analyzed large datasets (sales records, social media performance, etc.) using Python and web scraping techniques, presenting results through information visualization dashboards.

Selected Publications

- Mengze Hong, HashKey Exchange, "大模型时代的AI与Web3生态", 文汇报 2025
- Mengze Hong, HashKey Exchange, "人工智能赋能下的加密货币量化交易分析", 文汇报 2025
- Mengze Hong, Wailing Ng, Chen Jason Zhang, Yifei Wang, Di Jiang, Yuanfeng Song, "LLM-in-the-Loop: Replicating Human Insight with LLMs for Better Machine Learning Applications", 2025
- Mengze Hong, Wailing Ng, Chen Jason Zhang, Di Jiang, "Dial-In LLM: Dial-In LLM: Human-Aligned LLM-in-the-loop Intent Clustering for Customer Service Dialogues", 2025
- Mengze Hong, Chen Jason Zhang, Di Jiang, Yuanqin He, "Augmenting Compliance Guaranteed Conversational AI: Context-Aware Knowledge Base Expansion with LLMs and Combinatorial Optimization", 2025
- Mengze Hong, Chen Jason Zhang, Chaotao Chen, Rongzhong Lian, Di Jiang, "Dialogue Language Model with Large-Scale Persona Data Engineering", NAACL 2025
- Mengze Hong, Chen Jason Zhang, Lingxiao Yang, Yuanfeng Song, Di Jiang, "InfantCryNet: A Data-driven Framework for Intelligent Analysis of Infant Cries", ACML 2024