Zuokun OUYANG Ph.D. Candidate

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Research Interests

I am interested in Machine Learning and Data Mining for Time Series Analysis and Forecasting. My current researches include the following aspects:

- Multivariate time series forecasting.
- Sequential & temporal learning.
- Statistical time series analysis.

EDUCATION

University of Orléans

Ph.D. Candidate, Computer Science

Orléans, France

Oct. 2019 – Present

Dissertation: Time Series Forecasting: From Econometrics to Deep Learning

Supervisors: Prof. Philippe Ravier, Assoc. Prof. Meryem Jabloun

Funding: Association Nationale de la Recherche et de la Technologie CIFRE N° 2019/0551

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University of Orléans

Orléans, France

Diplôme d'Ingénieur, Computer Engineering, *Polytech Orléans* **M.Sc., Computer Science**

Sept. 2015 – June 2018 Sept. 2017 – June 2018

Dissertation: A Fundamental Study on Time Series Forecasting

Supervisors: Prof. Christel Vrain, Prof. Marcilio C. P. de Souto, Assoc. Prof. Sylvie Treuillet

Beijing Institute of Technology

Beijing, China

B.Eng., Electrical & Electronics Engineering

Sept. 2012 - June 2016

Dissertation: *Sound Source Localization with Microphone Array* Supervisors: Assoc. Prof. Shiyong Li, Assoc. Prof. Rodolphe Weber

Professional Experience

University of Orléans

Orléans, France Jan. 2023 – Present

Temporary Research Assistant & Assistant Lecturer (ATER)

- Signals and Linear Systems (EPL3CI13).
- Introduction to Signal Processing (EPL4CI04).
- Mathematics and Computer Science (EPL2CI02).
- Techniques and Realization Projects (EPL2CI03).
- Acquisition Systems and Signal Processing (EPL2IA01).

ATTILA GESTION

Lyon & Montargis, France Oct. 2019 – Dec. 2022

Machine Learning Engineer and Data Analyst

- Pinpointed and evaluated various internal indicators of numerous franchise agencies.
- Developed multi-step forecasting models for multivariate time series.
- Conducted customer segmentation exploiting traditional and time series clustering techniques.
- Developed pipelines for assessing the effectiveness of various time series forecasting models.

Data Analyst Intern

Apr. 2018 - Sept. 2018

- Analyzed indicators of multiple franchise agencies.
- Conducted a literature review on statistical and ML models for time series analysis.
- Analyzed and assessed different statistical and ML/DL models for time series forecasting.

eContent Store Sàrl

Luxembourg

Software Development Engineer Intern

June 2017 - Aug. 2017

- Acted as one of the core developers of the Android development team.
- Implemented key enhancements and upgrades for AR functionalities, encompassing improved technique selection, natural feature training pipeline, and numerous bug fixes.
- Led the development of a user-end WebGL tool for natural features training to improve rendering performance.

SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE

Programming Python, R, C#, Java, C/C++, Swift, MATLAB

Frameworks & Tools PyTorch, scikit-learn, Unity3D, OpenCV, PowerBI, Linux, Git

Skills & Expertise Deep Learning, Machine Learning, Time Series Analysis, Signal Processing, Calculus, Linear Algebra, Probabilities and Statistics, Optimization Theory

Languages English (proficient), French (proficient), Mandarin (native)

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- 1. **Z. Ouyang**, M. Jabloun, and P. Ravier, "STLformer: Exploit STL decomposition and Rank Correlation for Time Series Forecasting," in *Proc. EUSIPCO*, 2023.
- 2. **Z. Ouyang**, M. Jabloun, and P. Ravier, "Rankformer: Leverage Rank Correlation for Transformer-based Time Series Forecasting," in *Proc. IEEE SSP*, 2023.
- 3. G. Ouyang, K. Abed-Meraim, and **Z. Ouyang**, "Magnetic-Field-Based Indoor Positioning Using Temporal Convolutional Networks," *Sensors*, vol. 23, no. 3, p. 1514, 2023. doi: 10.3390/s23031514.
- 4. **Z. Ouyang**, P. Ravier, and M. Jabloun, "Are Deep Learning Models Practically Good as Promised? A Strategic Comparison of Deep Learning Models for Time Series Forecasting," in *Proc. EU-SIPCO*, 2022.
- 5. **Z. Ouyang**, P. Ravier, and M. Jabloun, "Une comparaison des modèles d'apprentissage profond combinés avec des différentes stratégies pour la prédiction multi-étape des séries temporelles," in *Proc. GRETSI*, 2022.
- 6. **Z. Ouyang**, P. Ravier, and M. Jabloun, "STL Decomposition of Time Series Can Benefit Forecasting Done by Statistical Methods but Not by Machine Learning Ones," *Eng. Proc.*, vol. 5, no. 1, p. 42, 2021. DOI: 10.3390/engproc2021005042.

Selected Projects

iOS application RestauRank

Orléans, France, Mar. 2018 - Apr. 2018

- Created a map application to find top-rated restaurants nearby and the quickest route.
- Used Google Maps SDK and Google Geolocation API for map display, navigation, and reviews.
- Pure Swift implementation.

Archaeological ceramic decoration segmentation

Orléans, France, Jan. 2018 – Mar. 2018

- Built 2D FCN to segment decorated areas of ancient ceramic shards from depth maps.
- Clustered segmented areas and preprocessed depth maps into distinct categories.
- Compared the clustering results with other algorithms, including *K*-means and DBSCAN.

Interactive real-time earthquake map

Orléans, France, Apr. 2017 – May 2017

- Developed an interactive map application in Java to display global earthquake information.
- Used Processing for UI and icons, Unfolding for interaction.
- Distinguish locations, depth, levels, and time with different shapes, colors, sizes, and icons.

Sound source localization with microphone array

Orléans, France, Mar. 2016 – May 2016

- Developed a microphone array system with MATLAB and Python to localize a sound source.
- Used Raspberry Pi 3B, Arduino UNO Rev3, stepper motor, and an eight-microphone array.
- Implemented DOA-TDOA & GCC algorithms.

AWARDS

- College Student Academic Scholarship, Beijing Institute of Technology 2012 2015
- National 3rd Prize, Chinese Exhibition of Calligraphy and Painting for Undergraduates 2013
- National 3rd Prize, The 25th Chinese Chemistry Olympiad 2011
- Provincial 1st Prize, The 28th Chinese Physics Olympiad 2011
- Provincial 1st Prize, The 20th China High School Biology Olympiad

Feb. 2017

2011

OTHER EXPERIENCE

- Volunteer, Chinese New Year Festivity, Orléans and Yangzhou Government
- Vice President, Association of Calligraphy of Beijing Institute of Technology 2013 2015

HOBBIES

Basketball, Reading, Chinese Calligraphy, Singing, Fitness, and Cooking.