# SIJIN CHEN

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#### **EDUCATION**

# The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Hong Kong

Sep. 2019 – Present

Bachelor of Science

• Major in Computer Science; Minor in Mathematics

• Cumulative GPA: 3.87/4.00, Major GPA: 3.95/4.00

· Honors and Awards:

Dean's List, 2019-20 & 20-21

ELITE Stream Scholarship, 2019–20 & 20–21

Best Project Award of Summer Research Internship, 2020

# RESEARCH INTEREST

**Optimization theory**: non-convex problems, convergence analysis, first-order methods, spectral methods, semidefinite programming, manifold optimization, machine learning theory

#### **PUBLICATION**

- 1. <u>Sijin Chen</u>, Xiwei Cheng, and Anthony Man-Cho So, *Non-Convex Joint Community Detection and Group Synchronization via Generalized Power Method*, 2021. <u>https://arxiv.org/abs/2112.14204</u>
- Wu Zheng, Weiliang Tang, <u>Sijin Chen</u>, Li Jiang, and Chi-Wing Fu, CIA-SSD: Confident IoU-Aware Single-Stage Object Detector from Point Cloud, 35th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence, 2021. https://ojs.aaai.org/index.php/AAAI/article/view/16470

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

#### Research on iterative methods for non-convex optimization problems

supervised by <u>Prof. Anthony Man-Cho So</u>, the Chinese University of Hong Kong

Jun. 2021 - Present

- Proposed a generalized power method for the joint optimization of group synchronization and community detection
- Played a major role in mathematically proving the linear convergence guarantee for the algorithm, which sharply outperforms the state-of-the-art semidefinite relaxation method in respect of time complexity
- Utilized mathematical tools including matrix theory, random graph theory, numerical analysis, etc. to develop the results
- Wrote paper [1] to present the results obtained to the academia

# Research on 3D computer vision via deep learning

supervised by Prof. Philip Chi-Wing Fu, the Chinese University of Hong Kong

Jun. 2020 - Nov. 2020

- Cooperated with PhD researchers to design 3D convolutional neural networks with self-attention module and IoU-aware loss function for autonomous driving scenes
- Proposed efficient methods for data augmentation and network structure refinement, contributed substantial codes in Python, PyTorch, and CUDA for implementation and experiments
- Collaborated on the research paper [2] as my first research output
- Won the Best Project Award issued by the Faculty of Engineering

# LEADERSHIP

#### **Organizer and student lecturer**

at WISE, a knowledge-sharing platform at the Chinese University of Hong Kong

Jan. 2021 - Present

- Organized biweekly talks by inviting speakers from different disciplines and promoting the activity to the potential audience
- Created and maintained the official website via cooperation on GitHub with front-end and back-end technologies
- Gave two talks on non-convex optimization and basic topology to the audience from engineering background

# **Academic conference attendance**

at the 35-th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence

Feb. 2021

- · Attended as paper author, interacted with outstanding researchers worldwide during presentations and workshops
- Developed my understanding of up-to-date progress and problems of applied and theoretical aspects of AI research

# **SKILLS**

Languages: English (proficient: IELTS 8.0), Mandarin Chinese (native), Cantonese (conversational)

Programming: MATLAB, Python, PyTorch, C/C++, Java, HTML/CSS, LaTeX

Computer: Linux, SSH, Microsoft Office