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EDUCATION

ShanghaiTech University

M.S. Candidate in Communication and Information System

Overall GPA: 3.88/4.00 Major GPA: 4.00/4.00

Supervisor: Prof. Jie Lu

Shanghai, China

Sep. 2019 - Jun. 2022 (expected)

ShanghaiTech University

B.E. in Computer Science and Technology

Overall GPA: 3.65/4.00 Major GPA: 3.72/4.00

Shanghai, China

Sep. 2015 - Jun. 2019

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant, Linear Algebra.

Sep. 2019 - Jan. 2020

Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Science and Technology.

Feb. 2019 - Jun. 2019

Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Programming.

Sep. 2018 - Jan. 2019

RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research interests lie in **distributed optimization**, **distributed** and **federated machine learning**, **multi-agent reinforcement learning** and **algorithmic game theory**.

PUBLICATIONS

Preprints/Under Review

1. **H. Wang**, C. Shi, J. Liu and J. Lu, "A Stochastic Block-Wise Gradient-Tracking-Based Algorithm for Distributed Optimization," under preparation to *IEEE Transactions on Control of Network Systems*.
2. X. Wu, **H. Wang**, and J. Lu, "Distributed Algorithms for Convex Optimization Problems with Coupling Constraints," under 1st round review in *IEEE Transactions on Automatica Control*.
3. Z. Li, H. Hu, **H. Wang**, L. Cai, K. Zhang and H. Zhang, "Why Politicians Tweet: Discovering Causal Backgrounds for Politicians' Tweets from News Articles," under 2nd round review in *Information Processing and Management*.

Conference Publications

1. **H. Wang**, Y. Shen, Z. Wang, D. Li, J. Zhang, K. Letaief, J. Lu, "Decentralized Statistical inference with Unrolled Graph Neural Networks", accepted to *IEEE Conference on Decision and Control*, 2021.
2. X. Wu, **H. Wang**, and J. Lu, "A Distributed Proximal Primal-Dual Algorithm for Nonsmooth Optimization with Coupling Constraints," in *IEEE Conference on Decision and Control*, 2020.
3. **H. Wang** and J. Lu, "An Inexact Fenchel Dual Gradient Algorithm for Distributed Optimization," in *IEEE International Conference on Control & Automation*, 2020.
4. Y. Zhang, **H. Wang**, J. Huang, and D. Zhao, "Simulations vs. Human Playing in Repeated Prisoners Dilemma," in *International Conference on Principles and Practice of Multi-Agent Systems*, 2018.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

DOCIA Lab

Supervised by Prof. *Jie Lu*, on *Distributed Optimization*

ShanghaiTech University

Aug. 2018 - Present

- Propose novel **communication-efficient** distributed optimization algorithms, using **coordinate descent methods**, co-advisor: Prof. *Ji Liu*.
- Employ **learning methods** for distributed optimization algorithms via **graph neural networks**.
- Investigate algorithms to solve distributed optimization problems **with coupled constraints**.
- **Approximate distributed Fenchel dual gradient methods** to alleviate computation costs.

Summer Intern

Supervised by Prof. *Yuan Yuan Shi*, on *Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning*

UCSD

Jun. 2021- Present

- Incorporate **cooperative game theory techniques** to improve MARL performance with respect to stability and maximizing social welfare.

FinTech Project Group

Supervised by Prof. *Haipeng Zhang*

ShanghaiTech University

Oct. 2019 - Jun. 2020

- Propose a framework for **inferencing reasons behind politicians tweets** by finding critical components in tweets and news articles, and establishing causal links between them via attention-based neural networks.

SMART Lab

Supervised by Prof. *Dengji Zhao*, on *Algorithmic Game Theory*

ShanghaiTech University

Oct. 2017 - Jun. 2018

- Propose a novel model and a new strategy for Prisoners' Dilemma problems.
- Design an online game to collect real data by interacting between human and AIs.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Conference Volunteer

Chinese Multi-agent system seminar (2017), SWILD (2018), SSIST (2018)

Dec. 2017 - Jul. 2018

Social Engagement Group Leader

Huishui county, Guizhou Province

Jun. 2016 - Sep. 2016

AWARDS

Outstanding Student Honor(Top 5%), ShanghaiTech University, 2020 & 2018 & 2016.

Outstanding Graduate Honor(Top 5%), ShanghaiTech University, 2019.

Academic Excellence Scholarship, ShanghaiTech University, 2018.

Merit Student Honor (Top 10%), ShanghaiTech University, 2017

Advanced individual in Shanghai Undergraduates' Summer Social Activities (Top 1%) 2016.

TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

Programming Languages

Python, C, MATLAB

Tool & Others

CVX, CVXPY, PyTorch, Git, Linux, Office, L^AT_EX