Jiali Xing | 邢嘉力

Education

Academic Qualifications...

Philadelphia

University of Pennsylvania

Ph.D. Computer and Information Science, GPA: 3.81/4

Coursework: Computer Organization and Design. Theory of Cor

Jan.2021--Present

Coursework: Computer Organization and Design, Theory of Computation

Duke University Durham

M.S. Economics & Computation, GPA: 3.96/4 Sept.2018--May 2020 Coursework: Computational Economics, Design and Analysis Algorithms, Artificial Intelligence, Ph.D. Econometrics I, II, Machine Learning, Econometrics of Market Design, Distributed System

Wuhan University Wuhan

Bachelor of Economics, GPA: 3.89/4 Sept.2014--May 2018
Coursework: Calculus, Real Analysis, Linear Algebra, Ordinary Differential Equation, Dynamic Optimization, Probability Theory & Statistics, Stochastic Processes, Time Series, Mathematical Modeling

Research

Carbon Responder: Coordinating Demand Response for the Datacenter Fleet

May 2022 - Present

With Bilge Acun, Aditya Sundarrajan, David Brooks, Manoj Chakkaravarthy, Nikky Avila, Carole-Jean Wu, and Benjamin C. Lee.

Collaborated on designing the Carbon Responder to mitigate carbon emissions in datacenters by modulating computational loads based on the marginal carbon intensity of the power supply. Targeted both online and batch processing workloads and developed fair strategies for distributing demand response curtailments across different workloads. Highlighted the realistic trade-offs between carbon footprint reduction and performance, reset expectations and offered more grounded assessments of demand response potential in modern, hyperscale datacenters.

Charon: A Framework for Microservice Overload Control

OMar. 2021 - Present

With Akis Giannoukos, Henri Maxime Demoulin, Konstantinos Kallas, and Benjamin C. Lee. Co-developed Charon, a novel distributed framework for microservice overload control that improves performance and scalability. Utilized a token-based market system for resource allocation and innovative price propagation techniques. Demonstrated the benefits against traditional overload control policies. The workshop version available at HotNets21.

Fair Allocation for Complementary and Substitutable System Resources

May 2019 - Nov. 2021

With Benjamin C. Lee.

Proposed and detailed a framework for the allocation of complementary and substitutable microarchitectural resources such as cores, memory bandwidth, and L2 cache sizes. Utilized the nested constant elasticity of substitution utility function to ensure sharing incentives and Pareto efficiency. Benchmarked our approach against conventional baselines using parameters profiled from gem5 experiments.

Does Centralized Corruption Reduce Bribes?

Aug. 2018 - Jan. 2019

Employed Stochastic Frontier Analysis to evaluate the impact of centralized bureaucracy on corruption levels. Controlled for heteroskedasticity, spatial autocorrelation, and robustness. Concluded that while centralized governance does not reduce the base level of bribery (the bribe frontier), it does significantly lower overall bribe amounts by decreasing inefficiencies in bribe transactions. Full paper available here.

External Collaboration

SysML Group at FAIR, Meta Inc.

Meta, Menlo Park, CA

Summer Research Internship

May.2022--Dec.2022

Refined and expanded the analysis of the Carbon Explorer project. Collaborated with various teams to assess datacenter power demand elasticity and delay tolerance in real-world scenarios. Enhanced the project by developing a multi-workload, carbon-aware demand response mechanism, integrating diverse data and computational workloads.

Raytheon Technologies and William & Mary

Durham, NC

Research Collaboration

Jun.2020--Mar.2021

In collaboration with David Fischer, Nitya Labh, Ryan Piersma, Benjamin C. Lee, Yu Amy Xia, Tuhin Sahai, and Vahid Tarokh, contributed to the development of a simulation framework for permissioned blockchains, with applications in logistics and other domains. Full paper available here.

Teaching Assistant Experience

Algorithmic Game Theory

Philadelphia, PA

Teaching Assistant for Dr. Aaron Roth, University of Pennsylvania Graded coursework and examinations, and held weekly office hours.

Spring 2022

Artificial Intelligence

Durham, NC

Teaching Assistant for Dr. Ron Parr, Duke University

Fall 2020

Designed assessments, led office hours, managed Piazza discussions, and graded assignments.

Computational Microeconomics

Durham, NC

Teaching Assistant for Dr. Vincent Conitzer, Duke University

Spring 2020

Taught recitations, oversaw course tools (forums, Gradescope), and provided grading support.

Machine Learning Durham, NC

Teaching Assistant for Dr. Cynthia Rudin, Duke University

Fall 2019

Coordinated a Kaggle competition, acted as course webmaster, and assisted in grading and exams.

Technical Skills

- o **Programming Languages:** Golang, Python, Unix Shell, C++, ₾TeX, R, Matlab, Java. Also basic ability with: GNU MathProg, MySQL, Lingo, Stata.
- o Miscellaneous Skills: gem5, Web Scraping, System Administration, Network Security.

Interests and extra-curricular activity

- o Game Theory, Social Choice, Causal Inference, Fair Division, and Mechanism Design.
- Political Economics, Internet Privacy and Cybersecurity.
- History, Linguistics, Sociology.
- Badminton, Archery.