Wei-Cheng Lee

KAUST 1st year MS/PhD in Computer Science

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Personal Website

Research Interest

- Online Learning and Reinforcement Learning

Online reinforcement learning, Learning in games

- Optimization

Stochastic optimization, Performance Estimation Problem

Education

- MS/PhD, Computer Science, King Abdullah University of Science and Technology Aug 2024 – Present GPA: 4.0/4.0 (Computing Systems and Concurrency, Numerical Methods/SDE, Online Learning, Data Analytics)

- Graduate Work, Computer Science, National Taiwan University A⁺: Optimization Algorithms A: Prediction, Learning, and Games

Feb 2018 - June 2021

Packeler of Science Computer Science (Methematics) National Taiwan Univ

- Bachelor of Science, Computer Science (Mathematics), National Taiwan University Sep 2012 – Jan 2018 A⁺: Analysis, Algebra, Linear Algebra, Probability, Numerical Methods, and Measure Theory

Publications

- [1] Ian E.H. Yen, **Wei-Cheng Lee**, Kai Zhong, Sung-En Chang, Pradeep Ravikumar, and Shou-De Lin, "MixLasso: Generalized Mixed Regression via Convex Atomic-Norm Regularization". In Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2018
- [2] Ian E.H. Yen, Wei-Cheng Lee, Sung-En Chang, Arun S. Suggala, Shou-De Lin and Pradeep Ravikumar, "Latent Feature Lasso". In International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2017

Research Experience

- Non-convex Stochastic Optimization

Position: MS/PhD student

Advisor: Prof. Francesco Orabona Aug. 2024 – present

• Under Review

- Online Reinforcement learning algorithms

Advisor: Prof. Chi-Jen Lu Feb. 2022 – March. 2024

Position: Research Assistant, Academia Sinica, Taiwan Feb. 2022 – March. 2024

• Propose an alternative technique based on an entropic linear program instead of Tsallis entropy to prove the Hedge algorithm works for stochastic and adversarial settings in an infinite horizon average reward

MDP with full information feedback.

- Latent feature models

Advisor: Prof. Shou-De Lin

Sep. 2016 - Sep. 2018

- Compare different latent models such as tensor decomposition, variational inference, and combinatorial methods. Show its ability from theory and experiment to handle large hidden dimensions and no assumptions on data distribution.
- $\bullet\,$ Propose the correct Lagrangian formulation of the Latent feature model objective.
- Extend our matrix factorization techniques to a Generalized Linear Model setup and use it to denoise large-scale stock data.

Work Experience

- Research Assistant
Institute of Information Science Academic Sin

Feb. 2022 - 2024 March

Institute of Information Science, Academia Sinica

• Proving regret guarantees of online reinforcement learning algorithms

Position: Undergraduate Student, National Taiwan University, Taiwan

- Research Assistant

Aug. 2021 – 2022 Jan

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Graduate Institute of Biomedical Electronics and Bioinformatics National Taiwan University

• Using a language model to automatically transform cases into ICD10 for medical insurance

Honours and Awards

- Presidential Award, National Taiwan University

Spring 2014, Fall 2012

Awarded to the 5% of students each semester

- Reinforcement Learning, National Taiwan University

Spring 2025

- Optimization Algorithms, National Taiwan University

Fall 2019, Fall 2018

- Probability, National Taiwan University

Spring 2018, Spring 2015

Skills

- Programming

TA Experience

C/C++, Python(Pytorch), MATLAB, Julia, Go