ZAISHUO XIA

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EDUCATION

Renmin University of China (RUC), Beijing, China

2020 - Present

Bachelor of Science, School of Statistics, Major in Data Science

- **About RUC**: I gained admission to RUC with a ranking in the top 0.1% in the national college entrance examination (Gaokao).
- **GPA**:3.62/4.00 **WES GPA**: 3.82/4.00
 - **Junior Year GPA**: 3.84 (Ranked Top 1 in Major)
- Maths and Stats Courses: Convex Optimization(96), Computational Statistics(95), Mathematical Analysis III(92), Probability Theory(89), Stochastic Processes(86), Regression Analysis(86)
- CS Courses: C Programming (94), Python Programming (90), Data Structure and Algorithm (90), Parallel Computing (91), Blockchain (95)

SCHOLARLY WORKS

- Zaishuo Xia, Han Yang, Binghui Wang and Jinyuan Jia. GraphGuard: Provably Robust Graph Classification against Adversarial Attacks. Submitted to *ICLR*, 2024. [OpenReview Link]
 *Reviews' Ratings: 5, 6, 8
- Zaishuo Xia, Yanbing Bai, Bolin Zhang, Shubo Zeng, Zhe Liu, Ziyue Zhang, and Xuxin Mao. Weakly Supervised Deep Learning for Fine-grained Socioeconomic Development Index Inference Based on Satellite Imagery. Submitted to SCI journal, 2023. [Paper Link]
- Zaishuo Xia, Zelin Li, Yanbing Bai, Jinze Yu, and Bruno Adriano. Self-Supervised Learning for Building Damage Assessment from Large-scale xBD Satellite Imagery Benchmark Datasets. In *International Conference on Database and Expert Systems Applications (DEXA)*, 2022. [Paper Link]

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Intern, The Pennsylvania State University

2023

- Project: Trustworthy Machine Learning for Graph Neural Network
- Build a graph classifier whose predictions are provably robust under bounded perturbations.
- Compared with other provably robust approaches, such as Random Ablation and Random Smoothing.
- Evaluated the defensive capabilities of the classifier against adversarial attack.
- **Innovation:** Created a novel method to eliminate randomness, establishing deterministic lower bounds in mathematics, as opposed to relying on probabilistic lower bounds in past research. This innovation led to state-of-the-art results, and significantly improved computational efficiency.

Research Assistant, SCHOOL OF INTERDISCIPLINARY, Renmin University of China

- Project: Case Analysis on Blockchain and Big Data
- Conducted data visualization and report writing for blockchain-related case analysis.
- Engaged in the Research Program and presented a report on the intersection of big data and the economy.

Research Assistant, Renmin University of China

2021

2022

- Contributed as a teaching assistant in preparing a course on parallel computing.
- Project 1: Self-Supervised Learning for BDA from xBD Datasets
 - Area: Computer Vision, Self-Supervised Learning.
 - Designed self-supervised learning network for remote sensing images and applied it to semantic segmentation tasks.
- Project 2: Weakly Supervised Deep Learning for Socioeconomic Development Index Inference
 - Area: Computer Vision, Representation Learning, Metric Learning.
 - Utilized representation learning to extract economic development indices from remote sensing images.

COMPETITIONS

ECV2022 Computer Vision Developer Competition (Top 1 in 500, Award \$1000)

Link to My Solution

2022

- Area: Computer vision, object detection
- Awarded Champion in the "Hanging Clothes along the Street" group (with over 500+ participants).
- Mainly used Yolo v5 and tensorrt for deployment.
- The trained model was adopted by the Qingdao City Government, and I was awarded ¥7000 in the competition.

Kaggle UW-Madison GI Tract Image Segmentation (Top 8%)

2022

- Area: Deep learning, medical imaging, semantic segmentation
- Achieved 0.868 in the competition evaluation metric of 0.4 Dice metric and 0.6 Hausdorff distance, compared to the highest score of 0.885.

Kaggle Gold Notebook Link to the Notebook

2022

- Area: Machine Learning, Bioinformatics
- Predicted how DNA, RNA & protein measurements co-vary in single cells using machine learning methods.

TEACHING ASSISTANT

*I have undertaken these Teaching Assistant roles in response to the professors' invitations. I attended the professors' classes, and they recognized my abilities.

Parallel Computing
Data Mining
2023

HONORS AND AWARDS

"JD Cup" Student "Entrepreneurial Star" Competition Champion, Team of 5. Award of 150,000 CNY	2023
Academic Progress Second Class Scholarship, Renmin University of China	2022
First Prize in Chinese Mathematics Competitions, Team of 3 (Top 8%)	2021

CO-CURRICULAR AND EXTRA-CURRICULAR LEARNING

- **Conference:** Attended the 2022 International Conference on Database and Expert Systems Applications and presented our paper orally.
- **Volunteering:** Remote volunteer math teacher of 7th graders in Yuji Middle School, Liaocheng, Shandong, China.
- **Association:** Participated in the development of the RUC 70th Anniversary Celebration WeChat Mini Program. The mini program was widely used by alumni.

SKILLS

Python (PyTorch, Scikit-learn, etc.), LaTeX, R, Linux, Git

My Strengths

- I am self-motivated and have an inherent drive and interest in research. I enjoy exploring cutting-edge technologies and am always willing to try new and interesting things.
- I possess excellent practical skills and enjoy experimenting with various applications on the internet, which is exemplified by my work in developing several telegram bots.
- I am a rationalist who enjoys using mathematical tools to construct a purely rational representation of the world. I frequently browse math blogs and frequently discuss mathematical problems with my classmates.