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EDUCATION

Tsinghua University, Beijing, China

08/2016 – 07/2021 (Expected)

B.A. in Information Management and Information Systems, GPA: 3.88/4, Rank: 1/29

RESEARCH INTEREST

Digital Platform, Market Design, Recommender Systems, Artificial Intelligence, Data Regulation, Matching Market

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Beijing Summer Dating Technology Co. External Researcher

07/2019 - Present

- Designed a large-scale randomized field experiment to explore how demand information affects the distribution of users' matching requests and further influence the matching efficiency in an online dating market.
- Designed a large-scale randomized field experiment to identify the effect of ephemeral sharing design on users' information sharing behaviors and matching outcomes in an online dating market.
- Developed a facial attractiveness prediction system by combining Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN) and Bayesian Ridge Regression under the Transfer Learning Framework.
- Built the entire architecture of a recommender system, and implemented a large-scale randomized filed experiment to examine the effect of different algorithms under the impact of AI Disclosure.
- Conducted a large-scale randomized field experiment to explore the effect of network size on users' perception of competition and engagement.
- Conducted data analyses to evaluate the treatment effects, undercover mechanisms, and optimize treatments using econometric models and machine learning.

WORKING PAPERS

- Huang N, He Y, Burtch G, Xu X, Hong Y (2019), "Examining the Effects of Demand Information Disclosure on Congestion and Matching Efficiency in Online Dating."
 - Information Systems Research, Under 2nd round review. [PDF].
 - 2020 INFORMS eBusiness Cluster Best Paper Nomination.
 - Preliminary version appeared in 2020 INFORMS Conference on Information Systems and Technology (CIST), 2020 International Conference on Information Systems (ICIS), 2020 INFORMS Annual Meeting, 2020 Workshop on Information Systems and Economics (WISE).
- He Y, Xu X, Huang N, Hong Y, Liu D (2020), "Preserving User Privacy Through Ephemeral Sharing: A Large-Scale Randomized Field Experiment in the Online Dating Context."
 - Preparing for submission, completed draft available. [PDF].
 - Preliminary version appeared in 2020 Workshop on Information Systems and Economics (WISE), 2020 Conference on Digital Experimentation (CODE).

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Student Union in School of Economics and Management Vice President

05/2019 - 10/2020

- As the leader of Department of Public Relations and Social Activity, initiated and maintained cooperation with more than ten industry-leading companies, such as JD.com, Zhihu and Lark (held by ByteDance).
- Responsible for four big social events and acquired more than 500,000RMB (\$71,000) external funding for them.

SELECTED AWARDS

- Comprehensive Excellence Award, Tsinghua University, 2019 (Top 3%)
- China National Scholarship for Undergraduate Students, Chinese Ministry of Education, 2018 (Top 1%)
- Zheng Weimin Scholarship, Tsinghua University, 2018 (Top 1%)

SKILLS AND OTHERS

- Languages: Proficient in English (GMAT: 740)
- Programming Languages: Python, C/C++, R, Stata, SPSS, JavaScript, HTML/CSS, Bash, Java, Fortran
- Tools and Frameworks: Git, LATEX, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Keras, OpenCV, django