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Education

Duke University

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN PHYSICS

NC, USA

Apr 2013 - current

Nanjing University

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN PHYSICS

Nanjing, China

Sep. 2009 - Jul. 2013

Professional Experience

Graduate Research:

Data-drive analysis of heavy quark transport coefficients in heavy-ion collisions.

Duke University

Aug. 2013 - Current

- Established a comprehensive framework to simulate the full space-time evolution of heavy quarks in heavy-ion collisions.
- Quantified the medium effect and described the heavy meson experimental data at both RHIC and the LHC.
- Utilized the state-of-the-art Bayesian model-to-data analysis, extracted the heavy quark transport coefficients.

Bayesian optimization; Gaussian process emulator Fortran; C++; python; \LaTeX Linux; HPC; HTCondor; Cloud computing; Slurm
docker; singularity

Graduate Research:

Deep neural network classification of heavy quark collisional and radiative energy loss

Duke University

Nov. 2017 - Current

- Utilized a convolutional neural network classifiers to distinguish between two energy loss mechanisms
- Disentangled the feature importance of the classifier and provided possibilities of novel experimental observables

Deep learning; convolutional neural network tensorflow; keras; scikit-learn

Projects:

Home credit default risk/ New York taxi fare prediction

- Built light GBM classifier/regressor to predict the loan repay ability of applicants
- Compared among different classifiers/regressors and disentangled the feature importance for the predictions

Machine learning pandas; seaborn; plotly; scikit-learn cloud computing Bayesian optimization

Online courses and training

- coursera specialization: Algorithms, Deep Learning, Applied Machine Learning in Python
- Cybercarpentry workshop

Honors & Awards

Jul. 2017 **EPJ A Young Scientist Awards**, sQuark Matter, Utrecht, the Netherlands

Oct. 2012 **National Academic Scholarship**, the Ministry of Education, China

Presentations & Publications

1. RHIC & AGS Annual User Meeting 2018

BNL, USA

June. 2018

TALK: Open heavy flavor transport models

2. Strangeness in Quark Matter

Utrecht, Netherlands

PARALLEL TALK: Bayesian application on heavy quarks

Jul. 2017

3. Quark Matter 2017

Chicago, USA

PARALLEL TALK: Data-drive analysis of the heavy quark transport coefficients

Feb. 2017

4. **Y. Xu**, J. E. Bernhard, S. A. Bass, Marlene Nahrgang, Shanshan Cao, "Data-driven analysis for the temperature and momentum dependence of the heavy-quark diffusion coefficient in relativistic heavy-ion collisions", *Phys. Rev. C* **97**, no. 1, 014907 (2018).

5. **Y. Xu**, P. Moreau, T. Song, M. Nahrgang, S. A. Bass and E. Bratkovskaya, "Traces of nonequilibrium dynamics in relativistic heavy-ion collisions", *Phys. Rev. C* **96**, no. 2, 024902 (2017).