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EDUCATION/EXPERIENCE

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

07/2024-

Assistant Professor, Statistics

University of Pennsylvania

01/2022-06/2024

Postdoc, Statistics and Data Science, Wharton School, Advisor: Prof. Yuxin Chen

Princeton University

05/2021-12/2021

Postdoc, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Advisor: Prof. Yuxin Chen

University of Wisconsin-Madison

08/2016 - 05/2021

Ph.D., Statistics, Advisors: Prof. Anru Zhang and Prof. Yazhen Wang

Peking University

09/2012 - 07/2016

B.S., Mathematics and Applied Mathematics, Advisor: Prof. Liwei Wang

RESEARCH INTERESTS

High-Dimensional Statistical Inference

Tensor Data Analysis

Statistical Learning Theory

Spectral Methods

Nonconvex Optimization

PUBLICATIONS

1. **Yuchen Zhou**, Yuxin Chen. Heteroskedastic Tensor Clustering. *Under revision*, arXiv preprint arXiv:2311.02306, 2023.
(This paper received IMS New Researcher Travel Award, 2024.)
2. **Yuchen Zhou**, Yuxin Chen. Deflated HeteroPCA: Overcoming the Curse of Ill-conditioning in Heteroskedastic PCA. *Major revision at Annals of Statistics*. arXiv preprint arXiv:2303.06198, 2023.
3. Dong Xia, Anru Zhang, **Yuchen Zhou (alphabetical order)**. Inference for Low-rank Tensors – No Need to Debias. *Annals of Statistics*, 2022.
4. **Yuchen Zhou**, Anru Zhang, Lili Zheng, Yazhen Wang. Optimal High-Order Tensor SVD via Tensor-Train Orthogonal Iteration. *IEEE Transactions on Information Theory*, 2022.
(This paper received IMS Hannan Graduate Student Travel Award, 2021.)
5. T. Tony Cai, Anru Zhang, **Yuchen Zhou (alphabetical order)**. Sparse Group Lasso: Optimal Sample Complexity, Convergence, and Statistical Inference. *IEEE Transactions on Information Theory*, 2022.
6. Pixu Shi[†], **Yuchen Zhou**[†], Anru Zhang ([†]: **equal contributions**). High-dimensional Log-Error-in-Variable Regression with Applications to Microbial Compositional Data Analysis. *Biometrika*, 2022.
(This paper received Biometrics Early-Stage Investigator Award by the Biometrics Section of the American Statistical Association, 2019.)
7. Anru Zhang, **Yuchen Zhou (alphabetical order)**. On the Non-asymptotic and Sharp Lower Tail Bounds of Random Variables. *STAT*, 2020.
8. Chen Dan, Hong Wang[†], Hongyang Zhang[†], **Yuchen Zhou**[†], Pradeep Ravikumar ([†]: **equal contributions**). Optimal Analysis of Subset-Selection Based ℓ_p Low-Rank Approximation. *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, 2019.

9. Wenlong Mou, **Yuchen Zhou**, Jun Gao, Liwei Wang. Data Training, Data-dependent Regularization, and Generalization Bounds. *International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)*, 2018.
10. Chen Dan, Kristoffer Arnsfelt Hansen, He Jiang, Liwei Wang, **Yuchen Zhou (alphabetical order)**. Low Rank Approximation of Binary Matrices: Column Subset Selection and Generalizations. *43rd International Symposium on Mathematical Foundations of Computer Science (MFCS)*, 2018.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

TA of Stat 710 - Mathematical Statistics	Spring 2020
TA of Stat 309 - Intro to Math Statistics & Probability I	Spring 2019/Fall 2018
TA of Stat 371 - Introductory Applied Statistics For The Life Sciences	Spring 2017
TA of Stat 324 - Introductory Applied Statistics For Engineers	Fall 2019/Spring 2018/Fall 2016

TALK/POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Invited talk, Department of Statistics, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign	02/2024
Invited talk, Department of Mathematics, University of California San Diego	02/2024
Invited talk, Department of Statistics, University of California Irvine	02/2024
Invited talk, Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science, University of Waterloo	02/2024
Invited talk, Department of Statistics and Data Science, National University of Singapore	01/2024
Invited talk, Department of Statistics, University of Florida	01/2024
Poster presentation, Cornell Young Researcher Workshop	09/2023
Contributed talk, Joint Statistical Meetings (JSM)	08/2023
Invited talk, ICSA Applied Statistics Symposium	06/2023
Poster presentation, Conference on Recent Advances in Statistics and Data Science, Rutgers University	05/2023
Poster presentation, Statistical Foundations of Data Science and their Applications, Princeton University	05/2023
Invited talk, ICSA China Conference	07/2022
Poster presentation, the workshop "Perspectives in Statistical Modeling and Inference," University of Pennsylvania	12/2021
Poster presentation, Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)	12/2019
Poster presentation, Joint Statistical Meetings (JSM)	08/2019
Poster presentation, International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)	07/2018

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Reviewer for Annals of Statistics, Journal of the American Statistical Association (JASA), Biometrika, IEEE Transactions on Information Theory, Information and Inference: A Journal of the IMA, Journal of Machine Learning Research (JMLR), IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing, Journal of Statistical Planning and Inference, International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT), Linear and Multilinear Algebra, STAT, IEEE Transactions on Cybernetics, Computational Optimization and Applications, NeurIPS and ICML

HONORS

IMS New Researcher Travel Award	03/2024
Gold Medal Young Researcher Poster Competition Award, Conference on Recent Advances in Statistics and Data Science, Rutgers University	05/2023
IMS Hannan Graduate Student Travel Award	03/2021
Student Research Grants Competition – Travel Award, University of Wisconsin-Madison	01/2020
NeurIPS Travel Award	12/2019
Paper [6] received Biometrics Early-Stage Investigator Award by the Biometrics Section of the American Statistical Association	08/2019
ICML Travel Award	07/2018
First Prize for Outstanding Academic Performance, Peking University	09/2014

First Prize Scholarship, Peking University

09/2014

Selected to the National Training Team for the International Mathematical Olympiad

01/2012