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| Appointments | Assistant Professor School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Oregon State University | 09/2022 - Present |
| | Postdoctoral Research Associate Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering Princeton University Host: Prof. Mengdi Wang | 08/2021 - 07/2022 |
| Education | Ph.D. in Computer Science University of Virginia Advisor: Prof. Hongning Wang Thesis: Learning by Exploration with Information Advantage | 08/2015 - 08/2021 |
| | B.E. (honours) in Computer Science University of Science and Technology of China (USTC) | 08/2011 - 06/2015 |
| Research Interest | Machine Learning, Reinforcement Learning, Information Retrieval | |
| Honors and Awards | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ICML 2021 Best Reviewers (Top 10%)• John A. Stankovic Research Award, UVa• SIGIR 2019 Best Paper Award• Bloomberg Data Science PhD Fellowship | <ul style="list-style-type: none">08/202105/202008/20192018 - 2021 |
| Recent Publications Google Scholar | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chuanhao Li, Huazheng Wang, Mengdi Wang, Hongning Wang, <i>Learning Kernelized Contextual Bandits in a Distributed and Asynchronous Environment</i>, ICLR 2023.• Hui Yuan, Chengzhuo Ni, Huazheng Wang, Xuezhou Zhang, Le Cong, Csaba Szepesvári, Mengdi Wang, <i>Bandit Theory and Thompson Sampling-Guided Directed Evolution for Sequence Optimization</i>, NeurIPS 2022.• Chuanhao Li, Huazheng Wang, Mengdi Wang, Hongning Wang, <i>Communication Efficient Distributed Learning for Kernelized Contextual Bandits</i>, NeurIPS 2022• Huazheng Wang, David Zhao, Hongning Wang, <i>Dynamic Global Sensitivity for Differentially Private Contextual Bandits</i>, RecSys 2022• Huazheng Wang, Haifeng Xu and Hongning Wang, <i>When Are Linear Bandits Attackable?</i>, Proceedings of the 39th International Conference on Machine Learning, ICML 2022.• Yiling Jia, Huazheng Wang, Stephen Guo and Hongning Wang, <i>PairRank: On-line Pairwise Learning to Rank by Divide-and-Conquer</i>, The Web Conference 2021 (WWW 2021) (Nominated for the Best Paper Award). | |

- **Huazheng Wang**, Qian Zhao, Qingyun Wu, Shubham Chopra, Abhinav Khaitan and Hongning Wang, *Global and Local Differential Privacy for Collaborative Bandits*, Fourteenth ACM Conference on Recommender Systems, pages 150-159, RecSys 2020.
- Qingyao Ai, Tao Yang, **Huazheng Wang** and Jiaxin Mao, *Unbiased Learning to Rank: Online or Offline?*, ACM Transactions on Information Systems (TOIS).
- Zhiyuan Liu*, **Huazheng Wang***, Fan Shen, Kai Liu and Lijun Chen, *Incentivized Exploration for Multi-Armed Bandits under Reward Drift*, The 34th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence, pages 4981-4988, AAAI 2020 (*Equal contribution).
- **Huazheng Wang**, Zhe Gan, Xiaodong Liu, Jingjing Liu, Jianfeng Gao and Hongning Wang *Adversarial Domain Adaptation for Machine Reading Comprehension*, EMNLP 2019.
- **Huazheng Wang**, Sonwoo Kim, Eric McCord-Snook, Qingyun Wu and Hongning Wang, *Variance Reduction in Gradient Exploration for Online Learning to Rank*, The 42th Annual International ACM SIGIR Conference, pages 835-844, SIGIR 2019 (**Best Paper Award**).
- Qingyun Wu, Zhige Li, **Huazheng Wang**, Wei Chen and Hongning Wang, *Factorization Bandits for Online Influence Maximization*, The 25th ACM SIGKDD Conference On Knowledge Discovery And Data Mining, pages 636-646, KDD 2019 (acceptance rate for oral presentation: 9.1%).
- Qingyun Wu, **Huazheng Wang**, Yanen Li and Hongning Wang, *Dynamic Ensemble of Contextual Bandits to Satisfy Users' Changing Interests*, The Web Conference 2019 , pages 2080-2090, WWW 2019 (acceptance rate for oral presentation: 8%).
- **Huazheng Wang**, Ramsey Langley, Sonwoo Kim, Eric McCord-Snook and Hongning Wang, *Efficient Exploration of Gradient Space for Online Learning to Rank*, The 41th Annual International ACM SIGIR Conference, pages 145-154, SIGIR 2018.
- **Huazheng Wang**, Qingyun Wu and Hongning Wang, *Factorization Bandits for Interactive Recommendation*, The 31st AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence, pages 2695-2702, AAAI 2017.

Tutorial

- **Huazheng Wang**, Yiling Jia and Hongning Wang, *Interactive Information Retrieval with Bandit Feedback*, The 44th Annual International ACM SIGIR Conference (SIGIR 2021).
- Qingyun Wu, **Huazheng Wang** and Hongning Wang, *Learning by Exploration: New Challenges in Real-World Environments*, The 26th ACM SIGKDD Conference On Knowledge Discovery And Data Mining (KDD 2020).

Teaching Experience

- AI539: Introduction to Online Learning OSU, Winter 2023
- CS499/AI539: Information Retrieval OSU, Spring 2023

Software

- BanditLib: a library of bandit algorithms. <https://github.com/huazhengwang/BanditLib>

Service

- Area Chair of NeurIPS 2023, ICLR 2023, Reviewer of ICLR 2022, 2021, ICML 2023 - 2020, NeurIPS 2022, 2021, 2016, KDD 2022, AAAI 2021, 2020, AISTATS 2021, 2020, ACL 2019, 2018, WSDM 2018.
- ICML 2021 Best Reviewers Award (Top 10%)