Caitao Zhan

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About Me

I am a PhD candidate in `computer science` at Stony Brook University. My expertise lies in computer networks (wireless sensing), machine learning/deep learning for computer networks, quantum sensing and communication.

Education

Aug. 2017 ∼ Dec. 2022 (Expected)	Stony Brook University GPA: 3.9/4.0	Ph.D. Candidate in Computer Science. Advisor: Himanshu Gupta
Sept. 2013 ∼ Jun. 2017	China University of Geosciences GPA: 92/100	B.S. in Computer Science and Technology Rank: 1/122

Intern Experience

May. 2021 ∼ Aug. 2021	**Software Engineering Intern @ Microsoft (Azure Identity)** `C#` development: Active Directory/Light-weight Directory Service (AD/LDS) Replay Tool Automation. Design/implement AutoQuery, which stresses the AD/LDS server automatically and intelligently.
Jan. of 2017 & 2019	**Software Engineering Intern @ Wuhan Voice Intelligent Technology** `Python` development: natural language processing, machine learning `Java` development: Servlet/JSP; design rules for abnormal IP detection, Java Native Interface

Research Experience

Sep. 2021 ∼ present	**Quantum Sensor Networks.** Quantum state discrimination, optimization, semidefinite programming, metaheuristics.
Jan. 2021 ∼ Apr. 2022	**Quantum Communication Networks.** [8] Design/implement routing algorithms/protocols for quantum networks using entanglement-swapping trees.
Nov. 2019 ∼ Dec. 2021	**Intelligent Radio with Deep Learning.** [5, 7, 9] Design/implement CNNs to solve wireless network problems: wireless localization & spectrum allocation. Reframe wireless problems to computer vision problems: image-to-image translation & object detection.
Mar. 2019 ∼ Oct. 2019	**Efficient Localization of Multiple Intruders in Shared Spectrum System.** [3] Design/implement. Bayesian approach. Testbed(Odroid,Raspberry Pi,USRP,HackRF).
Dec 2018 ∼ Sep. 2020	**Datacenter Networks.** [4] Multi-hop circuit switch scheduling. Greedy, approximation proof. Participate in implementation.
July 2018 ∼ July 2019	**Selection of Sensors for Efficient Transmitter Localization.** [2, 6] Implement. Greedy, approximation proof. Bayesian approach. GPU acceleration.
Otc. 2015 ∼ Sept. 2016	**Optimization using Evolutionary Algorithms.** [1] Design/implement. Shortest path-finding using ant colony optimization algorithms. Proposed a probability-based evolutionary algorithm solving shape formation problems.

Skills & Tools

`Python` are `C++` are my most frequently used language. I also have experience in `C#`, `Java`, `C`, and `Matlab`. For machine learning, have experience in `PyTorch`, `scikit-learn`, and `ML.NET`. For quantum, have experience in quantum network simulator `NetSquid` and quantum development SDK `Qiskit`. For GPU programming, have experience in `CUDA` and `Numba`. For software defined radio, have experience in `GNU Radio`. For database, have experience in `MySQL` and `SQLite`. For convex optimization, have experience in `OR-Tools` and `CVXPY`.

Selected Awards and Honors

China National Scholarship	2014, Chinese Ministry of Education, Top 1%
2nd Prize in Freshman ACM ICPC Cup	2014, China University of Geosciences, Top 6%
IMC 2018 Travel Grant	2018, ACM Internet Measurement Conference

Academic Services

ACM SenSys 2022 Shadow Program Committee, link.

Preprint

[9] M. Ghaderibaneh, **C. Zhan**, H. Gupta, "DeepAlloc: CNN-Based Approach to Efficient Spectrum Allocation in Shared Spectrum Systems". Under resubmission. `arXiv`

Publication

[8] M. Ghaderibaneh, **C. Zhan**, C.R. Ramakrishnan, H. Gupta, "Efficient Quantum Network Communication using Optimized Entanglement-Swapping Trees", IEEE Transactions on Quantum Engineering (TQE) 2022. PDF.

[7] **C. Zhan**, M. Ghaderibaneh, P. Sahu, H. Gupta, "DeepMTL Pro: Deep Learning Based Multiple Transmitter Localization and Power Estimation", Elsevier Pervasive and Mobile Computing (PMC) 2022. PDF, Presentation.

[6] A. Bhattacharya, **C. Zhan**, A. Maji, H. Gupta, S. Das, P. Djuric, "Selection of Sensors for Efficient Transmitter Localization", IEEE/ACM Transaction of Networking (TON) 2021. PDF.

[5] **C. Zhan**, M. Ghaderibaneh, P. Sahu, H. Gupta, "DeepMTL: Deep Learning Based Multiple Transmitter Localization", IEEE International Symposium on a World of Wireless, Mobile and Multimedia Networks (WoWMoM) 2021. `PDF`, `Presentation`.

[4] H. Gupta, M. Curran, **C. Zhan**, "Near-Optimal Multihop Scheduling in General Circuit-Switched Networks", ACM International Conference on emerging Networking EXperiments and Technologies (CoNEXT) 2020. PDF, `Presentation`.

[3] **C. Zhan**, H. Gupta, A. Bhattacharya, M. Ghaderibaneh, "Efficient Localization of Multiple Intruders in Shared Spectrum System", ACM/IEEE Information Processing in Sensor Networks (IPSN) 2020. PDF, `Presentation`.

[2] A. Bhattacharya, **C. Zhan**, H. Gupta, S. Das, P. Djuric, "Selection of Sensors for Efficient Transmitter Localization", IEEE International Conference on Computer Communications (INFOCOM) 2020. PDF, `Presentation`.

[1] **C. Zhan** and C. Li, "Shape Formation in Games: a Probability-based Evolutionary Approach", 2016 International Conference on Computational Intelligence and Security. PDF.