# Chengyue Huang

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### Education

#### Renmin University of China (RUC)

Beijing, China

Bachelor of Science, School of Statistics, Major in Applied Statistics

Sept. 2019 - June 2023

- **GPA:** 3.83/4.00 (Top 8% in 121)
- Maths and Stats Courses: Mathematical Analysis, Advanced Algebra, Probability, Mathematical Statistics, Regression Analysis, Time Series Analysis, Stochastic Process, Convex Optimization
- CS Courses: C&C++ Programming, Data Structure and Algorithm, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Database System

#### Research Interests

- Machine learning from mathematical and statistical principles (e.g. XAI, statistical ML)
- Applying statistical and machine learning methods to various fields (e.g. AI4Sci, music, etc.)

### **Publications**

- \* indicates equal contribution
  - C. Huang\*, Y. Nie\*, H. Liang, and H. Xu. Adversarial and Implicit Modality Imputation with Applications to Depression Early Detection. CAAI International Conference on Artificial Intelligence (CICAI), 2022. [Paper]
  - N. T. Huang, S. Villar, C. Priebe, D. Zheng, C. Huang, L. Yang, and V. Braverman. From local to global: Spectral-inspired graph neural networks. In NeurIPS 2022 Workshop: New Frontiers in Graph Learning, 2022. [Paper]

## Research Experience

## From Local to Global: Spectral-Inspired Graph Neural Networks

AMS, JHU (Remote)

Research Assistant, advised by Prof. Carey Priebe and Ph.D. student Teresa Huang

June 2022 - Sept. 2022

- Mitigated over-smoothing and over-squashing issues in deep GNNs by proposing a normalization technique in message-passing algorithms (PowerEmbed) to encode global spectra information inspired by spectral embeddings.
- Performed comprehensive studies on 10 real-world graph benchmark datasets and simulated random graphs following the 2-block stochastic block models, with respect to different methods (spectral or message-passing), graph topology (homophily or heterophily), graph density, and number of layers of the methods.
- Demonstrated the superiority and robustness of PowerEmbed both theoretically and empirically compared to pure spectral methods (e.g. ASE) and recent deep GNN baselines (e.g. GCNII and GPR-GNN).

## Study on GNN Models for Multi-modal Social Network Data

STAT, RUC

Member, advised by Prof. Xiaoling Lu

Feb. 2022 - Present

- Exploited multi-modal contents to enhance multimedia recommendation on TikTok dataset using GNN.
- Improved the fusion process of 3 modalities (visual, acoustic, and textual) based on cross-modality attention mechanism, explored how information interchange on various modalities reflects users' preferences.

# Adversarial Multi-modal Imputation for Disease Prediction

GSAI & SPAP, RUC

Member, advised by Prof. Hongteng Xu and Prof. Hailun Liang

June 2021 - May 2022

- Resolved the modality-missing issue by proposing an implicit imputation method (AIMI) with multi-modal representation learning via auto-encoding, clustering based on CPM-Net, adversarial networks and a feedback loop.
- Applied our model to the real-world depression early detection task based on the UK Biobank database, which contains 480,000 EHRs with 8 modalities including blood, metabolism, urine, gene, etc.
- Investigated the competitiveness of AIMI by comparing it with various typical multi-modal data imputation baselines under different missing rates, which demonstrates its stability when facing severe missing problem.

#### Honors and Awards

• Second Prize Scholarship (Top 8%)

2019 - 2020 & 2020 - 2021

• First Prize in Chinese Mathematics Competitions (Top 8%)

2020

• First Prize (Beijing Region) in China Undergraduate Mathematical Contest in Modeling (Top 10%)

2021

## Co-curricular and Extra-curricular Learning

- Conference: Attended the 2022 CAAI International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and presented our poster.
- Association: As a member of Capital of Statistics, interviewed Prof. Hongzhe Li from UPenn about biostatistics.
- Volunteering: Remote volunteer math teacher of 7th graders in Yuji Middle School, Liaocheng, Shandong, China.
- Sports: School Female Volleyball Team, main player; RUC 10km Challenge, 56min13s (women top 70)
- Music: Performed street music as the vocal of Fishes in Carnegie [link]; music blogger on Bilibili (Chinese YouTube) [link]

# Others

- Programming Skills: Python (PyTorch, Scikit-learn, etc.), C/C++, SQL, LaTeX, R
- Language: TOEFL 105 (R29+L26+S24+W26); GRE V152+Q170+AW3.5
- Referees: JHU: Prof. Carey Priebe, AMS; RUC: Prof. Hongteng Xu, GSAI; Prof. Hailun Liang, SPAP; Prof. Xiaoling Lu, STAT