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#### **EDUCATION**

# University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

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M.S. in Computer Science

2022

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# University of Science and Technology of China

B.E. in Computer Science

2019

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#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Machine Learning: Machine Learning: broadly in understanding and designing machine learning algorithms, especially from a fundamental perspective.

**Optimization**: non-convex optimization, combinatorial optimization, stochastic optimization, sub-modular optimization.

**Algorithms**: approximation algorithms, heuristic algorithms.

#### PUBLICATIONS & PREPRINTS

- \* indicates equal contribution.
- [1] Xiaojun Xu\*, Jacky Y. Zhang\*, Evelyn Ma, Danny Son, Oluwasanmi Koyejo, and Bo Li. Adversarially Robust Models may not Transfer Better: Sufficient Conditions for Domain Transferability from the View of Regularization.
  - International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2022.
- [2] Kaizhao Liang\*, Jacky Y. Zhang\*, Boxin Wang, Zhuolin Yang, Oluwasanmi Koyejo, and Bo Li. Uncovering the Connections Between Adversarial Transferability and Knowledge Transferability.
  - International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2021.
- [3] Jacky Y. Zhang, Rajiv Khanna, Anastasios Kyrillidis, and Oluwasanmi Koyejo. Bayesian Coresets: Revisiting the Nonconvex Optimization Perspective.

  International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS), 2021. (Oral)
- [4] Maohao Shen, Jacky Y. Zhang, Leihao Chen, Weiman Yan, Neel Jani, Brad Sutton, and Oluwasanmi Koyejo. Labeling Cost-Sensitive Batch Active Learning for Brain Tumor Segmentation.
  - International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging (ISBI), 2021.
- [5] Xiaoyang Wang, Bo Li, Yibo Zhang, Bhavya Kailkhura, and Klara Nahrstedt. Robusta: Robust AutoML for Feature Selection via Reinforcement Learning AAAI 2021 Workshop Towards Robust, Secure and Efficient Machine Learning.

- [6] Jacky Y. Zhang, Rajiv Khanna, Anastasios Kyrillidis, and Oluwasanmi Koyejo. Learning Sparse Distributions using Iterative Hard Thresholding. Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), Vancouver, Canada, 2019.
- [7] Yibo Zhang, Chao Qian, and Ke Tang. Maximizing Monotone DR-submodular Continuous Functions by Derivative-free Optimization. Preprint: arXiv 1810.06833, 2018.
- [8] Chao Qian, Yibo Zhang, Ke Tang, and Xin Yao. On Multiset Selection with Size Constraints.
  AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), New Orleans, LA, 2018.

### SCHOLARSHIP AND AWARDS

| Guo Moruo Scholarship Highest Graduation Distinction at the University of Science and Technology | 2019 ogy of China. |
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| Outstanding Student Scholarship Golden Award   | 2017               |
| Outstanding Student Scholarship Golden Award   | 2016               |