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EDUCATION

Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Shanghai, China

PhD in Computer Science and Technology;

Sep. 2018 - Jun. 2025

o Advisor: Prof. Bin Yao

o Research Interest: Spatial-Temporal Data Management, Data Mining, Vector Data Management

Ocean University of China

Qingdao, China

B.Eng in Computer Science and Technology; GPA:3.68/4.0; Ranking: top-5%

Sep. 2014 - Jun. 2018

Major Experience

DBGroup in SJTU

Shanghai, China

Sep. 2018 - Jun. 2025

- PhD Student and Researcher o Conducted research in spatio-temporal data mining and vector data management, including machine learning-enhanced trajectory clustering, trajectory representation, travel time estimation, and hybrid vector queries. Published academic papers in top-tier venues.
 - Worked on four research projects focused on big data analytics and spatio-temporal query processing under the supervision of Prof. Bin Yao.
 - o Participated in proposal drafting and management for funded projects, including those granted by the National Natural Science Foundation of China and industry partners (Alibaba and Tencent).
 - Assisted in teaching graduate and undergraduate-level courses at SJTU: CS28007, CS392, and CS248.
 - Served as a reviewer for top-tier international journals, such as IEEE TKDE.

Database Products Business Unit at Alibaba Cloud Computing Co. Ltd

Beijing, China

Research Intern advised by Jiong Xie

Jul. 2021 - Feb. 2022

- Performed research and developed prototypes for efficient trajectory query processing and analysis.
- Designed solutions for trajectory representation, indexing structures, and query algorithms, optimizing trajectory k-NN queries, range queries, and similarity joins.
- Developed trajectory-related plugins for the cloud-native location intelligence engine, GanosBase.

Project Experience

Smart Transportation Application

SJTU

Role: Principal Researcher

Sep. 2024 - current

- Designed a framework integrating dynamic properties and user preferences for travel time estimation APPs.
- Proposed a road segment representation method using a graph attention network to capture travel semantics.
- o Developed an updatable predictive model suitable for scenarios with continuously evolving data.
- This work is planned to be submitted to KDD 2025.

High-dimensional Vector Hybrid Query Processing

SJTU and Tencent

Oct. 2023 - Oct. 2024

Role: Principal Researcher

- Designed a unified proximity graph-based index for efficient hybrid querying with logarithmic time complexity.
- o Integrated auxiliary structures, such as skip list connections and edge masking bitmaps, into the index to support pre-, post-, and hybrid filtering strategies simultaneously.
- Proposed a range-aware search strategy selection method to improve query performance.
- o This work has been submitted to VLDB 2025 and is currently under revision.

AI-based Trajectory Data Analytics

SJTU

Role: Principal Researcher

Mar. 2022 - Sep. 2023

- o Developed an intra- and inter-trajectory contrastive learning module to capture the complementarity and correlation between different modal features within a trajectory and the complex relationships between trajectories. This generates semantically rich trajectory representations for various downstream tasks.
- Proposed a reinforcement learning-based sub-trajectory clustering framework that leverages the clustering quality to guide the trajectory segmentation in a data-driven manner.
- Published research findings in top-tier database and GIS journals (VLDBJ 2024, Geoinformatica 2024).

Optimization for Trajectory Query Processing

SJTU and Alibaba

Role: Principal Researcher

Mar. 2021 - Feb. 2022

• Proposed a compact bounding box representation method for sub-trajectories based on speed and direction.

- \circ Designed a bi-directional linked tree for indexing sub-trajectories, along with efficient algorithms for k-NN search, range search, and similarity join.
- Developed trajectory indexing and query processing algorithms as plugins for Alibaba's cloud-native location intelligence engine, GanosBase.

Alumni Information Intelligent Management Platform

SJTU

Role: Co-Researcher

Nov. 2019 - Jun. 2021

- Proposed a rule-based data cleaning framework to process multi-source heterogeneous alumni data from 1950 to 2020, transforming it into unified and structured formats.
- Integrated the data processing module into the alumni information platform, establishing the foundation for a range of alumni services.
- o Designed alumni data tables in a relational database and interfaces for front-end and back-end integration.

PUBLICATIONS (# MEANS CORRESPONDING AUTHOR)

Sub-trajectory Clustering with Deep Reinforcement Learning

• Anqi Liang, Bin Yao[‡], Bo Wang, Yinpei Liu, Zhida Chen, Jiong Xie, Feifei Li VLDBJ 2024. [Paper Link]

CLMTR: A Generic Framework for Contrastive Multi-modal Trajectory Representation Learning

Anqi Liang, Bin Yao[♯], Jiong Xie, Wenli Zheng, Yanyan Shen, Qiqi Ge Geoinformatica 2024. [Paper Link]

UNIFY: Unified Index for Range Filtered Approximate Nearest Neighbors Search

• Anqi Liang, Pengcheng Zhang, Bin Yao[‡], Zhongpu Chen, Yitong Song, Guangxu Cheng Under Revision (VLDB 2025.)

Travel Time Estimation based on Dynamicity and Personal Preferences

• Anqi Liang, Bin Yao[‡]
To be submitted to KDD 2025.

Honors and Awards

•	Sheng Xuanhuai Cup Innovation Competition Excellence Award Affiliation: Shanghai Jiao Tong University	Shanghai, China 2021
•	Outstanding Graduate Student Award (Top 5% in Ocean University of China) Affiliation: Ocean University of China	Qingdao, China 2018
•	Lu Xin Scholarship Affiliation: Ocean University of China	Qingdao, China 2017
•	The First Prize Scholarship (Top 1% in Ocean University of China) Affiliation: Ocean University of China	Qingdao, China 2017
•	The Second Prize Scholarship (Top 10% in Ocean University of China) Affiliation: Ocean University of China	Qingdao, China 2015 & 2016

TECHNICAL SKILLS

• Languages Mandarin(native), English(skilled)

• Programming Python, C++, C

• Tools PostgreSQL, PostGIS, MySQL, SQL Server, LaTex, Markdown, git, Linux

• AI&ML PyTorch, TensorFlow, Scikit-learn