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## **SUMMARY**

Researcher in optimization and computation for multi-agent networks.

Possessing a highly adaptable mathematical, scientific, and engineering background.

A dedicated problem-solver with strong interpersonal and presentation skills.

#### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D.	Beijing Institute of Technology, China	
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09/2018-06/2023 School of Automation Supervisor: Jie Chen

Visiting Ph.D. Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

09/2021-08/2022 School of Electrical and Electronic Engineering Supervisor: Lihua Xie

Master Beijing Institute of Technology, China

09/2017-07/2018 School of Automation **Bachelor** Shandong University

09/2013-07/2017 School of Control Science and Engineering

#### **EXPERIENCE**

### Research Associate The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong

10/2023-09/2024 Department of Systems Engineering and Engineering Management

Supervisor: Anthony Man-Cho So Research Direction: Minimax optimization

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Distributed optimization: non-convex optimization, non-smooth optimization
- Stochastic optimization: variance reduction, random reshuffling
- Minimax game theory
- Applications: decentralized deep learning training, sensor network, etc.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

- 1. **X. Jiang**, X. Zeng, J. Sun and J. Chen. Distributed synchronous and asynchronous algorithms for semi-definite programming with diagonal constraints (Regular Paper). IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control, vol. 68, no. 2, pp. 1007-1022, Feb. 2023, doi: 10.1109/TAC.2022.3170529.
- 2. **X. Jiang**, X. Zeng, J. Sun, J. Chen and L. Xie. Distributed stochastic proximal algorithm with random reshuffling for nonsmooth finite-sum optimization. IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems, 2022, doi: 10.1109/TNNLS.2022.3201711.
- 3. **X. Jiang**, X. Zeng, J. Sun and J. Chen. Distributed stochastic gradient tracking algorithm with variance reduction for non-convex optimization. IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems, vol. 34, no. 9, pp. 5310-5321, Sept. 2023, doi: 10.1109/TNNLS.2022.3170944.

- 4. **X. Jiang**, X. Zeng, J. Sun and J. Chen. Distributed solver for discrete-time Lyapunov equations over dynamic networks with linear convergence rate. IEEE Transactions on Cybernetics, vol. 52, no. 2, pp. 937-946, Feb. 2022, doi: 10.1109/TCYB.2020.2989835.
- 5. **X. Jiang**, X. Zeng, J. Sun and J. Chen. Distributed proximal gradient algorithm for non-smooth non-convex optimization over time-varying networks. IEEE Transactions on Control of Network Systems, vol. 10, no. 2, pp. 1005-1017, June 2023, doi: 10.1109/TCNS.2022.3213706.
- 6. **X. Jiang**, X. Zeng, J. Sun and J. Chen. A fully distributed hybrid control framework for non-differentiable multi-agent optimization. IEEE/CAA Journal of Automatica Sinica, vol. 9, no. 10, pp. 1–9, Oct. 2022.
- 7. **X. Jiang**, X. Zeng, J. Sun and J. Chen. Distributed hybrid impulsive algorithm with supervisory resetting for nonlinear optimization problems. International Journal of Robust and Nonlinear Control, 2021; 31: 3230–3247. https://doi.org/10.1002/rnc.5451.
- 8. **X. Jiang,** X. Zeng, L. Xie and J. Sun. Variance-reduced shuffling gradient descent with momentum for finite-sum minimization. IEEE Control Systems Letters & IEEE CDC 2023, vol. 7, pp. 1700-1705, 2023.
- 9. **X. Jiang**, X. Zeng, J. Sun and J. Chen. The research status and prospect of distributed optimization for multiple aircrafts. Acta Aeronauticaet Astronautica Sinica, 2021,42(3):524551(in Chinese). doi: 10.7527/S1000-6893.2020.24551.
- 10. **X. Jiang**, X. Zeng, J. Sun and J. Chen. Hybrid protocol for distributed non-differentiable extended monotropic optimization. The 16th IEEE International Conference on Control and Automation, Japan, 2020, pp. 654-659.
- 11. **X. Jiang**, X. Zeng, J. Sun and J. Chen. Distributed algorithm for controllability test of discrete-time linear systems. 2019 Chinese Control Conference (CCC), Guangzhou, China, 2019, pp. 5600-5605.
- 12. **X. Jiang**, X. Zeng, J. Sun and J. Chen. Distributed algorithm for discrete-time Lyapunov equations. The 15th International Conference on Control, Automation, Robotics and Vision, Singapore, 2018, pp. 768-773.

#### Working papers

- 1. **X. Jiang**, Y. Fang, X. Zeng, J. Sun and J. Chen. Inexact proximal gradient algorithm with random reshuffling for nonsmooth optimization. Science China Information Sciences. Major revision.
- 2. **X. Jiang**, X. Zeng, L. Xie, J. Sun and J. Chen. Distributed stochastic projection-free solver for constrained optimization. IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control. Under the second round review.
- 3. **X. Jiang**, X. Zeng, L. Xie, J. Sun and J. Chen. Variance-reduced reshuffling gradient descent for non-convex optimization: Centralized and distributed algorithms. Automatica. Under review.

#### Patent issued

- 1. J. Sun, **X. Jiang**, X. Zeng and J. Chen. Distributed image segmentation method based on sparsity and Burer-Monteiro decomposition. CN, Patent, no. ZL2021103583346, 2021.
- 2. G. Lu, K. Li, G. Chen, W. Shen, Y. Wang, **X. Jiang**, Y. Qie and Z. Gao. Automated logistics sorting system. CN, Patent, no. ZL201610824855.5, 2018.

### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

- Excellent Doctoral Dissertations (Jun. 2023)
- Outstanding PhD Graduates of Beijing Institute of Technology (Jun. 2023)
- National Scholarship (Dec. 2022)
- Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Seedling Fund (Jun. 2022)
- First Prize in Beijing Institute of Technology Academic Scholarship Award (2021, 2022)
- Chinese Government Scholarship (Aug. 2020)

- Second Prize of the 17th China Graduate Mathematical Contest in Modeling (Nov. 2020)
- Outstanding Graduate Student of Shandong University (Apr. 2017)
- National Encouragement Scholarship (Dec. 2014, Dec. 2015, Dec. 2016)
- Outstanding Student Scholarship of Shandong University (Dec. 2014, Dec. 2015, Dec. 2016)