YIXUAN LIU

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EDUCATION

Southern University of Science and Technology (SUSTech)

Shenzhen, China

M.S. in Mathematics, Department of Statistics and Data Science

Sept. 2020 – Expected June 2022

GPA: 3.64/4.00 (top **3/15**)

Related courses: Advanced Statistics (A+), Functional Data Analysis (A+), Categorical Data Analysis (A+), Social

Network Analysis (A-), Selected Research Topics in Statistics (A-)

Southern University of Science and Technology (SUSTech)

Shenzhen, China

B.S. in Statistics, Department of Statistics and Data Science

Sept. 2016 – June 2020

GPA: 3.37/4.00

Graduate-level courses: Bayesian Statistics (93), Computational Statistics (88)

University of Wisconsin-Madison (UW-Madison)

Madison, WI, US

Visiting International Special Students Program Statistics Cohort

Sept. – Dec. 2019

GPA: 3.75/4.00,

Graduate-level courses: Statistical Methods I (A), Introduction to Statistical Inference (AB)

Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT)

Chicago, IL, US

Summer Research Program (Modern Statistics in the Big Data Paradigm)

July - Aug. 2019

GPA: 4.00/4.00

King's College London (KCL)

London, UK

Summer Program (Healthcare and Technology)

July – Aug. 2018

STANDARDIZED LANGUAGE TEST

TOEFL iBT Test: 27 Reading + 27 Listening + 25 Speaking + 26 Writing, Total 105

GRE General Test: Verbal 158 + Quantitative 166, Total 324

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

Quantifying Award Network and Career Development in Movie Industry Investigator

Shenzhen, China

Mar. 2021 – Present

Supervisor: Prof. Yifang Ma, Department of Statistics and Data Science, SUSTech, China

- Analyzed multilayer networks of awards, award winners, and social ties with network-based statistics
- Quantified early career prize-winning through classification methods including Logit and Complementary Log-log
- Applied causal inference framework to study impact of early-career performance on future productivity and fame

Statistical Learning on Giant Pandas' Ethology

Shenzhen, China

Investigator

Nov. 2019 – May 2020

Supervisor: Prof. Yifang Ma, Department of Statistics and Data Science, SUSTech, China

- Applied time series analysis through ARIMA, NNAR, boosting methods predicting rest behavior
- Applied unsupervised learning include hierarchical, partitional, spectral clustering, and density-based methods
- Studied the temporal data clustering with various distance measures including DTW, SDB, and GAK

eTailers' Revenue Models and Customer Behavior Analysis Based on Big Data

Shenzhen, China Dec. 2018 - Sept. 2019

Investigator

Supervisor: Prof. Jae Kyu Lee, College of Business, KAIST University, Korea & Xi'an Jiaotong University, China And Prof. Jooyoung Park, PHBS Business School, Peking University, China

- Processed survey data, implemented linear and nonlinear regression and residual analysis
- Figured out association rules and collaborative filtering behind the products displayed
- Attended 2019 International Conference on Electronic Commerce, Korea as co-author and presenter

Latent Variable Models for Mixed Normal and Binary Outcomes

Chicago, IL, US July – Aug. 2019

Group Leader

Supervisor: Prof. Lulu Kang, Department of Applied Mathematics, Illinois Institute of Technology, US

- Studied parameter estimation for latent variable models of mixed continuous and ordinal responses
 - Implemented the EM algorithm combined with Monte Carlo approach

PUBLICATIONS

- **Yixuan Liu**, Yifang Ma. Quantifying Award Network and Career Development in Movie Industry. (2021). (working paper)
- Jae Kyu Lee, Jooyoung Park, **Yixuan Liu**, Minxuan Luo. (2019). eTailer's Two Dimensional Revenue Model: Lessons from Amazon and Alibaba. Presented at ICEC2019: 21st International Conference on Electronic Commerce. July 3-5, 2019. Busan, South Korea. (conference paper presented)

PROJECTS

Functional Data Analysis of Fruit Fly and Swedish Life Table

Shenzhen, China

Class Instructor: Prof. Jiangqing Shi, Department of Statistics and Data Science, SUSTech, China

Mar. – June 2021

- Fit with appropriate basis and dimension reduction with PLS, functional PCA, dynamic fPCA
- Created and compared different scalar-on-function models, functional time series models, etc.

Categorical Data Analysis with Grouped and Ungrouped Data

Shenzhen, China

Class Instructor: Prof. Xiyun Jiao, Department of Statistics and Data Science, SUSTech, China

Mar. - June 2021

- Implemented categorical models including Logit, Probit, baseline Logit/Probit, Bayesian models, etc.
- Carried out inferences to address significance with likelihood ratio, Pearson chi-square, and Wald test

Multivariate Analysis on Disease Prevalence and Control

Madison, WI, US

Class Instructor: Prof. Wei-Yin Loh, Department of Statistics, UW-Madison, US

Sept. – Dec. 2019

- Explored on geolocation's effect on the clustered result of cities by proximity, with spatial visualization
- Discovered latent relationships between disease prevalence and control approaches by Canonical Analysis

WORKING

Applied Data Science Intern

Shenzhen, China

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Sept. 2021– Expected Jan. 2022

- Data analysis through PySpark to modeling with principal indices in customer knowledge and customer engagement
- Developing recommender System for promotion from item-based to network-based approaches

HONORS

2020 Outstanding Undergraduate Thesis in the Department of Statistics and Data Science

2019 Innovative Research Paper Runner-Up (3rd author) in 21st International Conference on Electronic

Commerce hosted by International Center for Electronic Commerce

- 2019 Grand Prize Award in Preliminary Round of the 2019 "FLTRP ETIC Cup" English Writing Contest
- 2019 Best Speaker of Preliminary Round of 22nd "FLTRP ETC Cup" National Debating Competition
- 2018 Meritorious Winner in American Mathematical Contest in Modeling (MCM)
- 2017 First Prize in 18th Guangdong Physics Experimental Design Competition

TEACHING

- 2021 Teaching assistant of STA217-Introduction to Data Science @SUSTech
- Teaching assistant of MA409-Statistical Data Analysis (SAS) @SUSTech
- 2020 Student mentor in the Students' Learning Center @SUSTech
- 2020 Teaching assistant of MA309-Time Series Analysis @SUSTech
- 2018 Student assistant at CLE (Centre of Language Education) in SUSTech

SOFTWARE SKILLS

Python, R, MATLAB, Latex, Stata