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Curriculum Vitae

PERSONAL DETAILS

Birth August 6, 1991
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EDUCATION

Doc. Computational Math

2015.2-
2018.12

National University of Defense Technology

Thesis Name: Studies on Several Stochastic and Nonconvex Optimization Algorithms

Advisor: Prof. Lizhi Cheng.

CCF Excellent Doctoral Dissertation Nomination Award (2020), Excellent Doctoral Dissertation Award of Hunan Province (2021)

MSc. Computational Math

2012.9-
2014.12

National University of Defense Technology

Thesis Name: Fast Sparse Recovery Algorithms

Advisor: Prof. Lizhi Cheng.

Excellent MSc. Dissertation Award of PLA 2017

BSc. Applied Math

2008.9-2012.7

National University of Defense Technology

Outstanding student award. Final rank 3/40.

WORKING EXPERIENCE

Visiting student

2016.10-
2018.10

Math Department, University of California, Los Angeles

Supported by Prof. Wotao Yin and CSC

Assistant Professor

2019.3-Now

National Lab for Parallel and Distributed Information Processing, College of Computer, National University of Defense Technology

INTERESTS

First-Order Optimization Algorithm and Theory for Machine Learning

Theory of Algorithms for Reinforcement Learning

Distributed Training Algorithm and Theory

SKILLS

Software

PYTHON, MATLAB, L^AT_EX

FUNDINGS

National Natural Science Foundation of China, Youth Program (2020.01-2022.12, 250k RMB)

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Full list can be found in my Google Scholar

<https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=fPNZpAe5WXIC&hl=zh-CN>

Selected Conference Papers

1. **T Sun**, R Hannah, W Yin. Asynchronous Coordinate Descent under More Realistic Assumptions. Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems 30, 6182-6190, 2017. **CCF-A**

2. **T Sun**, Y Sun, W Yin. On Markov Chain Gradient Descent. Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems, 9896-9905, 2018. **CCF-A**

3. T Chen, G Giannakis, **T Sun**, W Yin. LAG: Lazily Aggregated Gradient for Communication-Efficient Distributed Learning. Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems, 5050-5060, 2018. **CCF-A**

4. **T Sun**, Y Sun, D Li, Q Liao. General Proximal Incremental Aggregated Gradient Algorithms: Better and Novel Results under General Scheme. Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems, 994-1004, 2019. **CCF-A**

5. **T Sun**, P Yin, D Li, C Huang, L Guan, H Jiang. Non-ergodic Convergence Analysis of Heavy-ball Algorithms. Proceedings of the AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence 33, 5033-5040, 2019. **CCF-A**

6. **T Sun**, D Li, Z Quan, H Jiang, S Li, Y Dou. Heavy-ball Algorithms Always Escape Saddle Points. Proceedings of the International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence, IJCAI 2019. **CCF-A**

7. **T Sun**, T Sun, D Li, B Wang. Stability and Generalization of the Decentralized Stochastic Gradient Descent. Proceedings of the AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence 35, 2021. **CCF-A**

Selected Journal Papers

8. **T Sun**, H Jiang, L Cheng. Global Convergence of Proximal Iteratively Reweighted Algorithm. Journal of Global Optimization, 1-12, 2017. **CCF-B**

9. **T Sun**, H Jiang, L Cheng. Convergence of Proximal Iteratively Reweighted Nuclear Norm Algorithm for Image Processing. IEEE Transactions on Image Processing 26 (12),

5632-5644, 2017.**CCF-A**

10. **T Sun**, P Yin, L Cheng, H Jiang. Alternating Direction Method of Multipliers with Difference of Convex Functions. *Advances in Computational Mathematics* 44 (3), 723-744, 2017.

11. **T Sun**, H Jiang, L Cheng, W Zhu. Iteratively Linearized Reweighted Alternating Direction Method of Multipliers for A Class of Nonconvex Problems. *IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing* 66 (20), 5380-5391, 2018.

12. **T Sun**, L Qiao, D Li. Bregman Reweighted Alternating Minimization and Its Application to Image Deblurring. *Information Sciences*, 2019, 503: 401-416.**CCF-B**

13. **T Sun**, R Barrio, M Rodríguez, H Jiang. Inertial Nonconvex Alternating Minimizations for the Image Deblurring. *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing*. 2019, 28(12): 6211-6224. **CCF-A**

14. **T Sun**, Y Sun, Y Xu, W Yin. Markov Chain Block Coordinate Descent. *Computational Optimization and Applications*, 1-27, 2019.

15. **T Sun**, D Li. Capri: Consensus Accelerated Proximal Reweighted Iteration for A Class of Nonconvex Minimizations. *IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering*, 2020. **CCF-A**

16. **T Sun**, K Tang, D Li. Gradient Descent Learning with Floats. *IEEE Transactions on Cybernetics*, 2020.**CCF-B**

17. **T Sun**, L Qiao, D Li. Nonergodic Complexity of Proximal Inertial Gradient Descents. *IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems*. 2020. **CCF-B**

18. **T Sun**, L Qiao, Q Liao, D Li. Novel Convergence Results of Adaptive Stochastic Gradient Descents. *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing*. 2020. **CCF-A**

19. **T Sun**, H Shen, T Chen, D Li. "Adaptive Temporal Difference Learning with Linear Function Approximation". *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence* 2021. **CCF-A**

20. B Wang, T M Nguyen, **T Sun**, A L Bertozzi, R G Baraniuk, S J Osher, "Scheduled Restart Momentum for Accelerated Stochastic Gradient Descent.", *SIAM J. Imaging Sciences*, 2021. **CCF-B**