Weihang Xu

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Research Interests

Theoretical machine learning, Non-convex optimization, Online learning

Education

2019 – Present

Tsinghua University - Beijing, China

Institute for Interdisciplinary Information Sciences (IIIS)

Bachelor of Engineering in Computer Science

Yao Class, led by Prof. Andrew Yao

GPA: 3.84/4.

Research Experiences

March 2022 -

Learning Two-Layer Neural Network with Over-parameterization

Feb. 2023

Visiting student at the University of Washington.

Advised by Prof. Simon S. Du.

Studied two-layer over-parameterized neural networks. Proved global convergence of learning one teacher neuron with arbitrarily many student neurons. Provided an exact characterization of the convergence rate: $L = \Theta(T^{-3})$.

Sept. 2021 -

Combinatorial Bandits with Linear Constraints

April 2022

Advised by Prof. Zhixuan Fang, Tsinghua University.

Proposed a new framework that unifies two well-known models, Bandits with fairness constraints and Bandits with Knapsacks, together with improved regret bounds.

Publications

Combinatorial Bandits with Linear Constraints: Beyond Knapsacks and Fairness (paper)

Qingsong Liu*, Weihang Xu*, Siwei Wang, Zhixuan Fang.

In Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS) 2022.

Awards and Honors

Oct. 2022 — Science and Technology Innovation Excellence Award — IIIS, Tsinghua University

Academic Excellence Award — IIIS, Tsinghua University

Nov. 2018 Chinese Mathematical Olympiad (CMO), Gold Medal (ranked 44th nationwide)

^{*} denotes equal contribution

Languages

English: TOEFL 110 (Aug. 2021)

Reading: 30, Listening: 30, Speaking: 23, Writing: 27

Chinese: native German: basic