# Fengyuan Liu

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# **Education Background**

### University of Oxford, Oxford, England

10/2022-10/2023 (expected)

- M.Sc. Advanced Computer Science
- Topics Covered: Graph Representation Learning, Computational Biology, Deep Learning in Healthcare

## University of Washington, Seattle, WA

09/2017-12/2020

- B.Sc. in Computer Science
- B.Sc. in Applied Computational Mathematical Science (Data Science & Statistics)
- Magna Cum Laude with GPA: 3.95/4.0 (around top 0.5%) and Dean's List: 10/10 full quarters
- Topics Covered: ML, DL, RL, NLP, Stochastic Process, Cryptography

## **Publications**

## [1] OpenFE: Automated Feature Generation beyond Expert-level Performance

Tianping Zhang, Zheyu Zhang, Zhiyuan Fan, Haoyan Luo, **Fengyuan Liu**, Qian Liu, Wei Cao, Jian Li *International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)*, 2023 (under review)

# Research Experience

## **Institute for Interdisciplinary Information Sciences, Tsinghua University**

Beijing, China

Research Intern, ADL Group, under the supervision of Prof. Jian Li

05/2022 - 10/2022

## **Automatic Feature Generation**

- Used GBDT to design a model called OpenFE to quickly and accurately measure the validity of new features
- Reproduced AutoCross, AutoFeat, SAFE and FCTree methods and compared them with OpenFE
- Did experiments and compared the prediction results with various kinds of databases [1]

### Smart beta based on multi-factor models

- Pre-processed raw factors in the tabular form about all stocks listed on the Shanghai and Shenzhen stock markets from 2017 to present
- Dealt with factors by filtering stocks, excluding extreme values, filling null values, doing industry neutral, and standardizing.
- Mainly employed Lightgbm to train and compare the prediction results with different labels (pct1, pct2, or pct5) with various factors combination
- Wrote a script to run once per day to forecast and prepare for practical application

### The University of California, Berkeley

Berkeley, CA

Research Intern under the supervision of Prof. F. Alberto Grunbaum

09/2021-01/2022

### The Principle and Applications of Random Walks in Various Disciplines

- Researched on random walks in dimensions 1, 2 and 3 to verify that the random walk in each dimension was recurrent or transient
- Studied the applications of random walks in Economics, Physics and Biology
- Published a single-author paper entitled The Principle and Applications of Random Walks in Various Disciplines

## **University of Washington**

Seattle, WA

Independent Researcher, Course Related Research

08/2020-12/2020

### **Propaganda Detection Using BERT**

- Tokenized the texts from the dataset using a BERT tokenizer; optimized the BERT model by adding connected layers and applying different learning rates, weight decays and epochs.
- Ran different models until the validation loss stopped increasing; verified the accuracy with a test set.

• Compared the performances of BERT fine-tuned model and Naïve Bayes model in detecting articles with propagandistic content.

## **Complex Network (Small-world Network)**

- Introduced clustering coefficient and average path length which demonstrated the small-world effect.
- Compared the Watts-Strogatz model and Newman-Watts model by coding and graphing.
- Built a small-world network model stimulating the relationships between students based on Python.

#### **University of Washington**

Seattle, WA

Undergraduate Researcher, Washington Experimental Mathematics Lab

01/2020-03/2020

## **Triply Periodic Polyhedral Surfaces**

- Studied the Octa-4{3, 8|3}, Octa-8{3, 12|3} and Cube-6{4, 6|4} triply periodic surfaces
- Constructed a new triply periodic polyhedral surface made out of triangles, 12 meeting at each vertex by finding a hyperbolic representation of such a surface using hyperbolic triangles
- Determined the genus of the surface obtained after identifying appropriate pairs of faces
- Advisor: Dr. Charles Camacho and Dr. Dami Lee

## **Industry Experience**

## **Morgan Stanley**

Part-time Assistant (PTA) of the Investment Analysis Project

01/2020-02/2020

- Analyzed the financial data in the annual and semi-annual reports of ION Geophysical Corporation
- Applied the Altman Z Score and SWOT model to analyze the basic situation, bankruptcy probability and acquisition risks & opportunities of the company

China Telecom Co., Ltd

Nantong, China

*Intern at the IT Department* 

06/2018-09/2018

- Familiarized with the channel-based system positioning, business-based system positioning and customer-based system positioning of the BSS system
- Collected, analyzed and reported customer information through development tools including SQL language and Microsoft Visual Studio

# Leadership & Volunteer Experience

### **SEA Academy**

Honor Scholar of Mathematical Studies & Computer Science department

09/2022-Present

• Guided more teenagers to launch research, help them explore their interests and improve the society.

### Frameworld Media Organization

Post-production Officer

05/2018-10/2019

• Worked in teams to produce videos and edited pictures using Premiere Pro, After Effect, and Photoshop

### **Society of Women Engineers**

Member 04/2018-10/2019

• Promoted the diversification of scientific and technological talents, especially women in high-tech fields

## Skills & Hobbies

#### **Professional Qualification:**

CFA Exam Level I (August 2021): Pass

## **Computer Skills:**

Java, Python, C#, SQL, Java Script, MATLAB, R, LaTeX

#### **Hobbies:**

Piano, Swimming, Ancient Chinese Philosophy, Jeet Kune Do