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## EDUCATION

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**The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology** Hong Kong SAR  
**Ph.D. in Data Science and Analytics** 2020.09 – 2024.06

Research interests: Machine Learning, Pretrained Model and Parameter Efficient Tuning

**University of Science and Technology of China** Hefei, China  
**B.S. in Statistics** 2016.09 – 2020.06

**Honors:** Outstanding Graduate Award, Outstanding Undergraduate Scholarship (all three years)

## EXPERIENCE

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**Noah's Ark Lab, Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd** Shenzhen, China  
**Artificial Intelligence Researcher Intern** 2022.04 – 2023.04

- Focused on self-supervised learning and researched the multi-view perspective of self-supervised learning in computer vision area
- Refined multi-view information bottleneck; developed the multi-view entropy bottleneck method to obtain the minimal sufficient representation with better performance
- Conducted empirical studies to explore the behaviors of MVEB; validated the superiority of MVEB on ImageNet classification linear evaluation protocol (76.9% top-1 acc. with ResNet-50 backbone, so far the best) and extensive downstream tasks including transfer learning and object detection
- **Manuscript:** MVEB: Self-Supervised Learning with Multi-View Entropy Bottleneck, 2022

## PROJECTS

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**The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology** Hong Kong SAR  
**Negatives Selection for Contrastive Learning** 2021.12 – 2022.04

- Researched the selection criterion of negative samples in contrastive learning
- Used quantitative analysis to find that the semi-hard negatives play an important role in contrastive learning since easy negatives provide negligible contrastive gradients and hard negatives suffer from the false negative problem; discovered an exponential decaying relation of hardness vs. false rate
- Proposed a hardness-aware debiasing method based on the observed relation to mitigate the side effect of false negatives; achieved an improvement of 2%-3% top-1 acc. on Cifar-10/100

**University of Science and Technology of China** Hefei, China  
**Systemic Risk Contagion of Financial Network** 2019.07 – 2020.01

- Learned a risk contagion model for financial networks which triggers the contagion before default
- Replicated the risk contagion model using R; collected the data of Chinese commercial bank network to empirically study the financial risk contagion model
- Explored the model's sensitivity to its parameters
- **Publication:** Solvency Contagion Risk in the Chinese Commercial Bank Network, *Physica A*, 2021

## COMPUTATIONAL SKILLS & OTHERS

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<b>Programming Languages</b>	Python (Numpy, Pandas, Matplotlib), R, Linux (basic)
<b>Softwares &amp; Tools</b>	L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X, Microsoft Office
<b>Languages</b>	Mandarin, English
<b>Other Technical Skills</b>	Deep Learning (Pytorch)