

# Wenyuan Zhao

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Research Interest

**Deep Gaussian Process and Generative Model:** Designing systematic approaches for constructing deep GPs and BNNs that are amenable to efficient training and prior design.

**Information and Coding Theory:** Providing security and privacy guarantees in modern information systems, in addition to the regular data retrieval functionality.

### Education

2023 – Now **Ph.D., Texas A&M University**, College Station, *GPA – 4.0.*  
Information Science and Learning Systems  
Advisor: *Dr. Chao Tian*

2021 – 2023 **M.S., University of California, San Diego**, *GPA – 3.68.*  
Communication Theory and Systems  
Research: AI-driven Dynamic mmWave Mesh Backhaul  
Advisor: *Dr. Xinyu Zhang*

### Selected Publications

arXiv “Weakly Private Information Retrieval from Heterogeneously Trusted Servers”  
**Wenyuan Zhao**, Yu-Shin Huang, Ruida Zhou, Chao Tian  
*arXiv preprint*, submitted to *IEEE Transactions on Information Theory*, 2024.  
(Long version of ISIT24 paper.)

ISIT 2024 “Weakly Private Information Retrieval from Heterogeneously Trusted Servers”  
Yu-Shin Huang, **Wenyuan Zhao**, Ruida Zhou, Chao Tian  
*IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT)*, 2024.

### Other Publications

BE Thesis “Machine Learning-based Matrix Optimization Algorithm in Massive MIMO”  
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ICCDs 2021 “A Survey on Fog Computing Applications in Internet of Vehicles”

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*International Conference on Computing and Data Science (ICCDs), Stanford 2021*

JOP 2020 “Classification of Customer Reviews on E-commerce Platforms Based on Naive Bayesian Algorithm and Support Vector Machine”

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*Journal of Physics: Conference Series (JOP), IOP Publishing, 2020*

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## Graduate Research

2023 – **Sparsely Activated BNNs from Deep Gaussian Processes.**

- Designed sparse expansions for deep Gaussian processes (DGPs) as BNNs
- Validated interpretability and uncertainty quantification on sparse DGPs
- Developed software and tutorials for sparse DGP package and applications in regression, classification, generative tasks

2023 – 2024 **Weakly Private Information Retrieval.**

- Designed code schemes for weakly private information retrieval (W-PIR) with homogeneity and heterogeneity in servers' trustfulness
- Optimized trade-off between download cost and the amount of privacy leakage
- Achieved the minimum download cost under Max-L, MI, DP metrics

2022 – 2023 **AI-operated Dynamic mmWave Mesh Network.**

- Proposed methods on deploying reinforcement learning to control highly-dynamic mmWave backhaul networks
- Bridged the Simulation-to-Reality gap of RL policies in mmWave interference mapping
- Developed system-level modules for software-defined mmWave mesh network

2020 – 2021 **Machine learning-based Matrix Optimization in Massive MIMO.**

- Complex matrix inversion in precoding algorithms for massive MIMO downlink
- Proposed Complex-valued Gradient Neural Network (CVGNN) to solve the complex matrix inversion problem in wireless communication scenarios
- Evaluated CVGNN in Rayleigh channel and massive MIMO applications

2019 – 2020 **Large-scale mmWave Transmission and Beamforming.**

- Formulated large-scale mmWave beam alignment and tracking (BA/T) as a stochastic bandit learning problem
- Developed greedy and upper confidence bound strategy for optimal beam searching
- Evaluated bandit learning-driven mmWave BA/T in dynamic environments

## Awards

- 2020 Sun Qingyun Scholarship for Academic Achievement
- 2019 **First Prize (Top 0.7%)** of Mathematical Contest in Modeling (CUMCM)
- Mitsubishi Electric Corporation Scholarship

## Skills

- Programming C/C++, Python, Matlab,  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , Verilog, Java, Shell scripting
- ML Tools PyTorch, TensorFlow, Deeplearning Toolbox

## Services

- Reviewers 2024: ISIT