Wenyuan Zhao

Curriculum Vitae

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Research Interest

Bayesian Deep Learning: Designing systematic approaches and algorithms for constructing Bayesian inference that are amenable to efficient training and uncertainty quantification.

Information 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, United States

Information Science and Learning Systems

Advisor: Dr. Chao Tian

GPA: 4.0/4.0

2021 – 2023 M.S., University of California San Diego, La Jolla, United States

Communication Theory and Systems

Research: Al-driven Dynamic mmWave Mesh Backhual

Advisor: Dr. Xinyu Zhang

2017 – 2021 B.E., Southeast University, Nanjing, China

Information Engineering

Thesis: Machine Learning-based Matrix Optimization in Massive MIMO

Advisor: Dr. Cheng Zhang

Selected Publications

AISTATS "From Deep Additive Kernel Learning to Last-layer Bayesian Neural Networks via 2025 Induced Prior Approximation"

Wenyuan Zhao, Haoyuan Chen, Tie Liu, Rui Tuo, Chao Tian *International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS)*, 2025.

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

arXiv "Optimizing Leaky Private Information Retrieval Codes to Achieve $O(\log K)$ Leakage Ratio Exponent"

Wenyuan Zhao, Yu-Shin Huang, Chao Tian, Alex Sprintson *arXiv preprint*, submitted to *ISIT 2025*. (Preprint. Under review.)

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.

(Extended version of ISIT24 paper. Under review.)

BE Thesis "Machine Learning-based Matrix Optimization Algorithm in Massive MIMO"

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Undergraduate Thesis at Southeast University, 2021

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

Graduate Research

- 2023 Bayesian Deep Learning and Uncertainty Quantification
 - Sparse expansions for deep Gaussian processes (DGPs) as BNNs
 - Deep additive kernel learning as last-layer Bayesian neural networks
 - Uncertainty quantification in large language models
- 2023 2025 Private Information Retrieval
 - Weakly private information retrieval with heterogeneity in server trustfulness
 - \circ Leaky private information retrieval with $O(\log K)$ privacy leakage
- 2022 2023 Dynamic mmWave Mesh Network.
 - Highly-dynammic mmWave mesh network control by reinforcement learning
 - Bridging the Simulation-to-Reality gap by self-supervised learning
 - System-level modules for software-defined mmWave mesh network
- 2020 2021 Machine learning-based Matrix Optimization in Massive MIMO.

- Complex matrix inversion in massive MIMO downlink precoding
- Complex-valued Gradient Neural Network (CVGNN)

2019 – 2020 Large-scale mmWave Beamforming.

- Beam alignment and tracking (BA/T) as a stochastic bandit learning problem
- o Greedy and upper confidence bound strategy for optimal beam searching

Awards

- 2020 Sun Qingyun Scholarship for Academic Achievement
- 2019 First Prize (Top 0.7%) of Mathematical Contest in Modeling (CUMCM)
- 2019 Mitsubishi Electric Corporation Scholarship
- 2018 University Scholarship for Excellent Academic

Skills

Programming C/C++, Python, Matlab, Java, Shell scripting

ML Tools PyTorch, TensorFlow, GPytorch, Pyro

IDEs LATEX, VSCode, Verilog

Services

Reviewer ISIT 2024, IEEE Transactions on Information Theory

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