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### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. in Information Engineering

August 2015 - August 2018

The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong.

Advisor: Wing Shing Wong (FIEEE)

Thesis: Competitive and Regret Analysis for Online Optimization

Master in Automatic Control

August 2012 - June 2015

University of Science and Technology of China, Hefei.

Advisor: Jin Zhu

**Bachelor in Information Science** 

August 2008 - June 2012

University of Science and Technology of China, Hefei.

### **EMPLOYMENTS**

Postdoctoral Research Associate (with fellowship) in College of Information & Computer Science, UMass Amherst

2020.1 - Pres.

Advisor: Donald F. Towsley, Mohammad Hajiesmaili

Postdoctoral Fellow in IE, CUHK

2018.10 - 2019.12

2013

Advisor: Wing Shing Wong

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

System: Performance Analysis, Modeling, and Online Resource Optimization for Networked and Energy-Efficient Computing Systems

Online Optimization: Online Knapsacks (Online Multidimensional Knapsack, Online Multiple Knapsack, Online Knapsack with Departure), Online Buffer Management and Online Linear Programming etc.

**Learning Theory**: Multi-Armed Bandits, Expert Problems, Distributed Learning, and Learning with Attacks/Corruptions etc.

#### ACADEMIC SERVICES

TPC Member: ICCCN 2022

Journal and Conference Reviewers: ICML, SIGMETRICS, MOBIHOC, ICDCS, TNET

### HONORS AND AWARDS

Guanghua Scholarship

CDS Postdoctoral Fellowship (UMass Amherst)	2020
ACM SIGMETRICS Student Travel Grant	2018
Best Teaching Assistant Award  Awarded by IE Department of CUHK	2016
Excellent Graduate  Awarded by the Education Department of Anhui Province	2015
China National Scholarship  Awarded by the Chinese Government	2014

Awarded by the Chinese Academy of Science

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

ENGG1110D Problem Solving by Programming	Fall 2015
ENGG2430B Probability and Statistics for Engineers	Spring 2016
CSCI1140 Programming Laboratory	Fall 2016
ENGG2430C Probability and Statistics for Engineers	Spring 2017
CSCI1140 Programming Laboratory	Fall 2017
CSCI2100D Data Structure	Spring 2018

### **TALKS**

# 1. Adversarial Bandits with Corruptions

- NeurIPS 2020 (virtual) (2020.12)

# 2. Online Learning and Online Optimization

- The International Young Scholars Forum of Sun Yat-sen University (2020.12)
- Invited talk at Northeast University (China) (2021.5)

# 3. Cooperative Learning with Heterogeneous Agents

- Internal talk of Annual Fall Meeting (virtual) hosted by Distributed Analytics & Information Science International Technology Alliance (2020.9)

# 4. Heterogeneous Structures for Online Learning Algorithms

- Theory Seminar in Department of CICS in UMass, Amherst (2020.3)
- SIGMETRICS 2018 (2018.6)

### 5. Online QoS Bugger Management

- SIGMETRICS 2018 (2018.6)

### **PUBLICATIONS**

(# equal contribution, \* corresponding author, ® Five Representative Publications)

[1] Bo Sun<sup>#</sup>, **Lin Yang**<sup>#</sup>, Mohammad Hajiesmaili, Adam Wierman, Don Towsley. The Online Knapsack Problem with Departures. One-shot Revision **SIGMETRICS** 2022.

[2] Lin Yang, Yu-Zhen Chen, Mohammad Hajiesmaili, Mark Herbster, Don Towsley.

Hierarchical Learning Algorithms for Multi-scale Expert Problems.

ACM International Conference on Measurement and Modeling of Computer Systems (**SIGMETRICS**), June 2022. (Full Paper).

(CORE A\*, Tsinghua CS Conference Rank A, Acceptance Rate at Winter Round:  $13/122 \approx 10.7\%$ )

[3] Lin Yang, Yu-Zhen Janice Chen, Mohammad Hajiesmaili, John CS Lui, Don Towsley.

Distributed Bandits with Heterogeneous Agents.

IEEE International Conference on Computer Communications (INFOCOM), 2022.

(CORE A\*, Tsinghua CS Conference Rank A, CCF Rank A, Acceptance Rate:  $225/1129 \approx 19.9\%$ )

[4] Lin Yang, Ali Zeynali, Mohammad Hajiesmaili, Ramesh Sitaraman, Don Towsley.

Competitive Algorithms for Online Multidimensional Knapsack Problems. ®

ACM International Conference on Measurement and Modeling of Computer Systems (**SIGMETRICS**), June 2022. (Full Paper)

(CORE A\*, Tsinghua CS Conference Rank A, Acceptance Rate at Summer Round:  $10/64 \approx 16\%$ )

**Journal Version**: Proceedings of the ACM on Measurement and Analysis of Computing Systems (POMACS), 2021, 5(3): 1-30.

[5] Lin Yang, Yu-Zhen Janice Chen, Stephen Pasteris, Mohammad Hajiesmaili, John CS Lui, Don Towsley. Cooperative Stochastic Bandits with Asynchronous Agents and Constrained Feedback. Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2021. (CORE A\*, Tsinghua CS Conference Rank A, CCF Rank A, Acceptance Rate: 26%)

- [6] Russell Lee, Yutao Zhou, Lin Yang, Mohammad Hajiesmaili, Ramesh Sitaraman. Competitive Bidding Strategies for Online Linear Optimization with Inventory Management Constraints. IFIP Performance, 2021.
- [7] Cheng Tan, Lin Yang\*, Wing Shing Wong.
  Learning Based Control Policy and Regret Analysis for Online Quadratic Optimization with Asymmetric Information Structure.
  Transactions on Cybernetics. 2021.
- [8] Lin Yang, Mohammad Hajiesmaili, Mohammad Sadegh Talebi, John CS Lui, Wing Shing Wong. Adversarial Bandits with Corruptions: Regret Lower Bound and No-regret Algorithm. 

  Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2020. (CORE A\*, Tsinghua CS Conference Rank A, CCF Rank A, Acceptance Rate: 1900/9454 ≈ 20.9%)
- [9] Lin Yang<sup>#</sup>, Mohammad Hajiesmaili<sup>#</sup>, Ramesh Sitaraman, Adam Wierman, Enrique Mallada, Wing Shing Wong.
  Online Linear Optimization with Inventory Management Constraints. ®
  ACM International Conference on Measurement and Modeling of Computer Systems (SIGMETRICS), June 2020. (Full Paper)

(CORE A\*, Tsinghua CS Conference Rank A, Acceptance Rate at Winter Round:  $14/91 \approx 16\%$ )

**Journal Version**: Proceedings of the ACM on Measurement and Analysis of Computing Systems (POMACS), 3 (2).

- [10] Cheng Tan, **Lin Yang**, Fangfang Zhang, Zhengqiang Zhang and Wing Shing Wong. Stabilization of discrete time stochastic system with input delay and control dependent noise. Systems & Control Letters, 123, 62–68, 2019. Elsevier.
- [11] Lin Yang, Mohammad H. Hajiesmaili, and Wing Shing Wong.
   Online Linear Programming with Uncertain Constraints.
   The 53rd Annual Conference on Information Sciences and Systems (CISS), 2019.
- [12] Lin Yang, Lei Deng, Mohammad H. Hajiesmaili, Cheng Tan and Wing Shing Wong. An Optimal Algorithm for Online Non-convex Learning. 

  ACM International Conference on Measurement and Modeling of Computer Systems (SIGMETRICS), June 2018. (Full Paper)

  (CORE A\*, Tsinghua CS Conference Rank A, Acceptance Rate at Winter Round: 16/114 ≈ 14%)

**Journal Version**: Proceedings of the ACM on Measurement and Analysis of Computing Systems (POMACS), 2018, 2(2): 25.

- [13] Jin Zhu, Tong Luo, **Lin Yang**, Wanqing Xie, and G. E. Dullerud.

  An average queue-length-difference-based congestion detection algorithm in TCP/AQM network.

  International Journal of Adaptive Control and Signal Processing, 2018.
- [14] Tong Luo, Jin Zhu, **Lin Yang**, Wanqing Xie, Hongsheng Xie.

  Robust stability analysis of a kind of joint scheduling algorithms in wireless access network.

  Control and Decision. (in Chinese)
- [15] **Lin Yang**, Wing Shing Wong, and Mohammad H. Hajiesmaili.

  An Optimal Randomized Online Algorithm for QoS Buffer Management. ®

ACM International Conference on Measurement and Modeling of Computer Systems (**SIGMETRICS**), June 2018. (Full Paper)

(CORE A\*, Tsinghua CS Conference Rank A, Acceptance Rate at Summer Round:  $10/51 \approx 19.6\%$ )

**Journal Version**: Proceedings of the ACM on Measurement and Analysis of Computing Systems (POMACS), 2017, 1(2): 36.

- [16] Cheng Tan, Changbao Xu, Lin Yang, and Wing Shing Wong. Gittins index based control policy for a class of pursuit-evasion problems. IET Control Theory and Applications, 12(1), 110-118, 2017.
- [17] Lin Yang#, Mohammad H. Hajiesmaili#, Hanling Yi, and Minghua Chen. Hour-Ahead Offering Strategies in Electricity Market for Power Producers with Storage and Intermittent Supply. ACM International Conference on Measurement and Modeling of Computer Systems (SIGMETRICS), 2017. (Poster Paper)
- [18] Chi-Kin Chau, **Lin Yang**.

  Competitive online algorithms for geographical load balancing in data centers with energy storage.

  International Workshop on Energy Efficient Data Centres. 2016.
- [19] **Lin Yang**, Jin Zhu, Wanqing Xie, and G. E. Dullerud.

  Time Series Analysis for Congestion Detection in TCP/AQM Networks.

  IEEE Communications Letters, 19(3), 331-334, 2015.
- [20] Jin Zhu, Limin Xu, Lin Yang, and Wanqing Xie. An optimal vertical handoff decision algorithm for multiple services with different priorities in heterogeneous wireless networks. Wireless Personal Communications, 83(1), 527-549, 2015.
- [21] **Lin Yang**, Jin Zhu, Wanqing Xie, and Xiaobin Tan. Stable Tuning for Random Early Detection Algorithm. IEEE Chinese Control Conference (CCC), July 2014.
- [22] Lin Yang, Jin Zhu, Liang Tang, Xita Hu, and Xiaobin Tan.

  An Adaptive Resource Reservation Approach in Packet-Switched Wireless Mesh Networks.

  IEEE Chinese Control Conference (CCC), July 2013.

#### REFERENCES

# Wing Shing Wong (Ph.D. Supervisor)

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