Youguang CHEN

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EDUCATION

2019 - Present | Ph.D. student in Computational Science, Engineering & Mathematics

The University of Texas at Austin

GPA: 4.00/4.00

2016 - 2019 | M.S. in Petroleum Engineering

The University of Texas at Austin

GPA: 4.00/4.00

2012 - 2016 | B. Eng. in Environmental Engineering

Tsinghua University

GPA: 91.6/100.0 Rank: 4/81

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Active Learning, Online Learning, Statistical Learning, Optimization, Generative Models.

PUBLICATIONS

2023 | FIRAL: An Active Learning Algorithm for Multinomial Logistic Regression.

Thirty-seventh Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (2023).

Youguang Chen, George Biros

2020 | KNN-DBSCAN: a DBSCAN in high dimensions.

arXiv preprint arXiv:2009.04552 (2020).

Youguang Chen, William Ruys, George Biros

2020 An efficient method for modeling flow in porous media with immersed faults.

arXiv preprint arXiv:2009.04574 (2020).

Youguang Chen, George Biros

2015 Removal of perfluorinated carboxylates from washing wastewater of

perfluorooctanesulfonyl fluoride using activated carbons and resins.

Journal of hazardous materials 286 (2015): 136-143.

Ziwen Du, Shubo Deng, Youguang Chen, Bin Wang, Jun Huang, Gang Yu

Honors and Awards

SEP. 2019	NIMS Fellowship in Oden Institute, UT Austin
AUG. 2018	S.P. Yates Graduate Fellowship, UT Austin
AUG. 2017	S.P. Yates Graduate Fellowship, UT Austin
AUG. 2015	Tsinghua University Academic Excellence Scholarship (10/81)
AUG. 2014	Tsinghua University Independent Research Assistantship (5/81)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2020-2021

Oden Institute, UT Austin

TOPIC: Active learning for multinomial logistic regression

Proved that the Fisher Information Ratio (FIR) is a lower and upper bound of the excess risk for multinomial logistic regression under sub-Gaussian assumptions in batch-active learning setting. Proposed a new active learning algorithm FIRAL to optimize FIR via regret minimization method and derived performance guarantee of the proposed algorithm.

Empirically compared FIRAL with other methods and found that it outperforms them.

2020-2021

Oden Institute, UT Austin

TOPIC: Representative subset selection

Solved the optimal-design problem using regret-minimization with negentropy regularizer and proved the near-optimality of the new algorithm.

Empirically compared different methods for selecting representative samples on real-world classification datasets.

2019-2020

Oden Institute, UT Austin

TOPIC: Parallel algorithms for clustering

Proposed new algorithm to use k-nearest neighbor graph for density-based clustering. Designed, implemented, and tested a hybrid MPI/OpenMP parallel algorithm. Performed tests to assess the clustering quality and the scalability of the new scheme.

2018-2019

Oden Institute, UT Austin

TOPIC: Fluid simulation in porous media with immersed faults

Derived new PDEs as approximations and conducted convergence analysis.

Implemented the new formulations using Galerkin methods.

Tested preconditioned iterative Krylov solves of the new method.

SOFTWARE

Parallel kNN-DBSCAN

A MPI/OpenMP parallel algorithm for $k\mbox{NN-based}$ density clustering.

https://github.com/ut-padas/knndbscan

SKILLS

Programming Languages C++, C, PYTHON, MATLAB, FORTRAN

Tools TensorFlow, OpenMP, MPI, cmake, git, LATEX, Gmsh, FENICS

Operating Systems LINUX, MACOS, WINDOWS

RELEVANT GRADUATE LEVEL COURSES

Methods of Applied Mathematics

Functional Analysis

Differential Equations

Parallel Algorithms in Scientific Computing

Mathematical Modeling in Science and Engineering

Probabilistic learning and inference

Linear Algebra

Convex Optimization

Probability and Stochastic Processes

Online Learning

Randomized Algorithms

Statistical Learning