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EDUCATION

City University of Hong Kong (CityU)

Ph.D., Data Science, School of Data Science

Hong Kong SAR, China

Sep. 2019-Aug. 2023

University of Science and Technology of China (USTC)

B.A., Financial Engineering, Department of Statistics and Finance

Hefei, China

Sep. 2015-Jun. 2019

EXPERIENCE

Brown University

Visiting Research Fellow at Department of Economics

Providence, Rhode Island, USA

Jan. 2023-Present

- Research on causal inference and distributionally robust optimization.

City University of Hong Kong (CityU)

Teaching Assistant

Hong Kong SAR, China

Sep. 2019-Present

- SDSC1001/GE1356 Introduction to Data Science
- SDSC6013 Topics in Financial Engineering and Technology
- SDSC4107 Financial Engineering and Analytics

JD Digit (JDD)

Risk Management Center-Intelligent Model Researcher

Beijing, China

Dec. 2019-Feb. 2020

- Developed credit models to remove selection bias caused by discriminative credit assignment and designed new credit strategies for JD online shopping platform.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research interests lie at the intersections of several disciplines, including causal inference, machine learning, domain adaptation, distributionally robust optimization, and financial data science.

- My research topic mainly focuses on estimating treatment effects in several fields (e.g., Economics, Finance, and Healthcare) using **causal machine learning** methods (representation learning, orthogonal machine learning, adversarial learning, etc.)
- Currently, I am working on bridging the gap between the disciplines of **causal inference, domain adaptation, and distributionally robust optimization**.
- I am also interested in utilizing machine learning, especially deep learning models, to solve **financial data science** problems, e.g., credit policy evaluation, limit order book modeling, market microstructure, and option pricing.

PUBLICATIONS

Published Papers

- **Yiyan Huang**, Cheuk Hang Leung, Shumin Ma, Zhiri Yuan, Qi Wu, Siyi Wang, Dongdong Wang, Zhixiang Huang. Towards Balanced Representation Learning for Credit Policy Evaluation. *The 26th International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS-2023)*.
- Zhiri Yuan, Xixu Hu, Qi Wu, Shumin Ma, Cheuk Hang Leung, Xin Shen, **Yiyan Huang**. A Unified Domain Adaptation Framework with Distinctive Divergence Analysis, *Transactions on Machine Learning Research (TMLR)*.
- **Yiyan Huang**, Cheuk Hang Leung, Shumin Ma, Qi Wu, Dongdong Wang, Zhixiang Huang. Moderately-Balanced Representation Learning for Treatment Effects with Orthogonality Information. *The 19th Pacific Rim International Conference on Artificial Intelligence (PRICAI-2022)*.
- **Yiyan Huang**, Cheuk Hang Leung, Xing Yan, Qi Wu, Shumin Ma, Zhiri Yuan, Dongdong Wang, Zhixiang Huang. Robust Causal Learning for the Estimation of Average Treatment Effects. *The 2022 International Joint Conference on Neural Networks (IJCNN-2022, oral)*.
- **Yiyan Huang**, Qi Wu, Dongdong Wang, Zhixiang Huang. Interpretable Causal Inference via Causal Graphs. *11th World Congress of the Bachelier Finance Society (abstract oral presentation at BFS-2022)*.
- **Yiyan Huang**, Cheuk Hang Leung, Xing Yan, Qi Wu, Nanbo Peng, Dongdong Wang, Zhixiang Huang. The Causal Learning of Retail Delinquency. *The Thirty-Fifth AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI-2021)*.

Working Papers

- Shumin Ma, Zhiri Yuan, Qi Wu, **Yiyan Huang**, Xixu Hu, Cheuk Hang Leung, Dongdong Wang, Zhixiang Huang. Deep into The Domain Shift: Transfer Learning through Dependence Regularization. *IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems (TNNLS, Minor Revision)*.
- Cheuk Hang Leung, **Yiyan Huang**, Yijun Li, Qi Wu. Robust Inference for Time-varying Continuous Treatments. *Journal of Econometrics (JoE, submitted)*.
- **Yiyan Huang**, Cheuk Hang Leung, Xing Yan, Qi Wu. Robust Causal Machine Learning of Treatment Effects. *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (TPAMI, submitted)*.
- Yijun Li, Cheuk Hang Leung, Chaoqun Wang, **Yiyan Huang**, Qi Wu, Dongdong Wang, Zhixiang Huang. Dependence Learning of Multivariate Asynchronous Time Series. *The 32nd International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI-2023, submitted)*.
- Yijun Li, Cheuk Hang Leung, Xiangqian Sun, Chaoqun Wang, **Yiyan Huang**, Qi Wu, Dongdong Wang, Zhixiang Huang. Causal Representation Learning on Distributional Outcome: An Application to Physical Activity. *The 32nd International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI-2023, submitted)*.

OTHERS

- Reviewers for IJCAI2021, AISTATS2022, ICML2022, Neurips2022, ICML2023, etc.
- Research Tuition Scholarship (CityU, 2022-2023)

- Outstanding Academic Performance Award (CityU, 2022-2023)
- Research Tuition Scholarship (CityU, 2021-2022)
- Outstanding Academic Performance Award (CityU, 2021-2022)
- Outstanding Student Scholarship (USTC, 2017)