Yuanmo He

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EDUCATION

PhD Social Research Methods (specialising in computational social science) The London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)

09/2020 - 09/2024

- Applying advanced data analysis and computational methods (e.g., machine learning, natural language processing, social network analysis) on digital trace data to study social networks, culture, and inequality.
- Supervisors: Dr Milena Tsvetkova and Professor Kenneth Benoit.
- Affiliations: Data Science Institute, International Inequality Institute.
- Awarded the **LSE PhD Studentship** for four years.

MSc Applied Social Data Science (Distinction)

09/2019 - 08/2020

The London School of Economics and Political Science

- Relevant modules: Computer Programming, Data for Data Scientist, Applied Machine learning, Quantitative Text Analysis, Multivariate Analysis and Measurement, Fundamentals of Social Science Research Design.
- Distinction in all modules.

BSc Social Sciences (First Class Honours) University College London (UCL)

09/2016 - 06/2019

- Relevant modules: Social Network Analysis, Causal Analysis in Data Science, Quantitative Research Methods.
- Awarded the UCL Institute of Education Faculty Medal (the best final year undergraduate student).
- Achieved the highest final mark in the Department of Social Science.

Coursera:

Statistics with R Specialization: probability, inferential statistics, Bayesian statistics

06 - 08/2018

Mathematics for Machine Learning Specialization: linear algebra, multivariate calculus, PCA

06 - 08/2018

WORKING PAPER

He, Y and Tsvetkova, M. Estimating Individual Socioeconomic Status of Twitter Users. (Manuscript available upon request.)

- Developed a method that uses correspondence analysis to estimate Twitter users' socioeconomic status (SES) based on the brands they follow, which is firmly embedded in classical social theory.
- Worked on a complete data science workflow: from data collection, data cleaning, pre-processing, building model, evaluating results, to oral and written communication.
- Utilised and experienced a range of data science tools, including R, Python, Twitter API, Facebook Marketing API, SQL, web scraping, Google Geocoding API, Azure Cloud Computing, Stan, and parallel computing.
- Estimated the socioeconomic status of 3,482,657 Twitter users and 339 brands.
- Validated the estimation of brands with data on audience composition from the Facebook Marketing API. Brands with higher estimated SES have significantly more audience with master's or higher degree (Spearman's $\rho =$ 0.493, p < 0.001), and significantly less audience who are high school graduates (p = 0.499, p < 0.001).
- Validated the estimated SES of a group of users who stated job titles on their Twitter profiles (n = 58,466). Aggregated for job titles, the median estimated SES is significantly associated with higher income ($\rho = 0.675$, p < 0.001) and occupational social class (ρ = 0.666, p < 0.001). Individual level validation is limited by data.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Estimating Individual Socioeconomic Status of Twitter Users

General Online Research, online

09/2021

- The Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association (Section on Inequality, Poverty and Mobility: New Approaches to Understanding and Addressing Inequality), online 08/2021
- International Conference on Computational Social Science, online

07/2021

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

MY474 Applied Machine Learning, Teaching Assistant, LSE MY470 Computer Programming, Teaching Assistant, LSE

01 - 05/2022

Introduction to Python Programming, Teaching Assistant, Data Science Summer School

09 - 12/2021 08/2021

SKILLS

Programming language & statistical software: Python, R, SQL, Stata*, Stan*, SPSS*

Python packages: NumPy, pandas, scikit-learn (non-exhaustive)

R packages: tidyverse, tm, quanteda, glmnet, randomForest, e1071 (non-exhaustive)

Advanced Data Analysis: machine learning, natural language processing, social network analysis, multivariate analysis, causal analysis*, multilevel modelling*, parallel computing*, cloud computing* (*indicates basic understanding) Languages: Chinese (native), English (full professional proficiency)