Yibo Zhang | Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

University of Science and Technology of China

Bachelor of Computer Science and Technology Overall GPA: 3.83/4.3 Ranking: 2/132

09/2015 - present

City University of Hong Kong

Exchange Student – Department of Computer Science

Overall GPA: 3.93/4.3

09/2017 - 12/2017

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Optimization: combinatorial optimization, non-convex optimization, etc.

- **Evolutionary Algorithms**
- Machine Learning

PUBLICATIONS

- Chao Qian, Yibo Zhang, Ke Tang, and Xin Yao. On Multiset Selection with Size Constraints.
 - In Proceedings of the 32nd AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI'18), New Orleans, LA, 2018
- Yibo Zhang, Chao Qian, and Ke Tang. Maximizing Monotone DR-submodular Continuous Functions by Derivative-free Optimization.
 - arXiv: 1810.06833, 2018.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Submodular Maximization

01/2017 - Present

University of Science and Technology of China, Anhui, China

Advisor: Dr. Chao Qian

- Maximizing monotone submodular functions over integer lattice
 - Considered the multiset selection problem with cardinality constraints, and generalized it to general monotone submodular functions on integer lattice.
 - Proposed a randomized algorithm that has strong theoretical guarantee and practical effectiveness.
 - C. Qian, Y. Zhang, K. Tang, and X. Yao. On multiset selection with size constraints. In AAAI, 2018
- Maximizing continuous submodular functions over convex polytope constraints
 - Proposed the first derivative-free algorithm with the same best approximation guarantee for continuous DR-submodular maximization problem over convex polytope constraints.
 - Y. Zhang, C. Qian, K. Tang. Maximizing Monotone DR-submodular Continuous Functions by Derivative-free Optimization. arXiv: 1810.06833.

Distribution Iterative Hard Thresholding

07/2018 - Present

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Illinois, USA

Advisor: Prof. Sanmi Kovejo

 Design and analysis IHT-style optimization algorithms in a Bayesian setting, which is essentially a non-convex optimization problem.

 Preliminary theoretical and numerical results have been obtained and refinements are being worked on.

• Intelligent PC File System

03/2017 - 07/2017

Advisor: Prof. Kai Xing

Course project for Operating Systems

- Designed a smart Graph Database File System that interacts with users more intelligently. (Me as team leader)
- Used Markov Model and Variable Order Markov Model based on LZ78 algorithm to design the prediction algorithm.
- Used FUSE (File System in User Space), Neo4j (a leading graph database) and MongoDB to implement our file system.

Transmission Line Losses Analysis and Correction

03/2016 - 06/2016

Individual Project

- Learned about Transmission Line Model and gave its analysis.
- Designed an algorithm that can correct losses in high frequency signal transmission.
- Received second prize in USTC Research Competition on Electromagnetism.

RELEVANT COURSES

•	Data Structure and Database System	95/100
	Linear Algebra	99/100
•	Graph Theory	91/100
•	Operations Research	92/100
•	Equations of Mathematical Physics	90/100
•	Foundations of Artificial Intelligence	95/100
•	Parallel Computing (Graduate Level)	95/100
•	Introduction to Stochastic Process	A+

HONORS AND AWARDS

•	Guo Moruo Scholarship (Top 1%)	2018
•	Outstanding Student Scholarship Golden Award (Top 3%)	2017
•	Member of Talent Program in Computer and Information Science and	2016 - present
	Technology, USTC	
•	Outstanding Student Scholarship Golden Award (Top 3%)	2016
•	Second Prize in USTC Research Competition on Electromagnetism	2016

PROGRAMMING SKILLS

• C++, Python, MATLAB, LaTeX, Linux

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Soccer:
 - Goalkeeper in soccer team of department of Physics.
 - Goalkeeper in team that entered top 16 in USTC 8-player soccer competition.
- Volunteering
 - Volunteer in Publicity Outreach Office of Fangcao Young Volunteers Association of USTC.