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### EDUCATION

**Cornell University** Visiting Ph.D. in Computer Science and Engineering Supervised by Prof. Wen Sun

**The Chinese University of Hong Kong** *Ph.D. in Computer Science and Engineering* ANSR Lab, supervised by Prof. John C.S. Lui (ACM/IEEE Fellow)

Huazhong University of Science and Technology B.E. in Electronic Information Engineering Advanced Class in Mathematics and Physics for Information Science

#### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

I am interested in multi-armed bandits, reinforcement learning, and their applications (e.g., recommendation systems, computer networks, etc).

### PREPRINTS

• Variance-Dependent Regret Bounds for Non-stationary Linear Bandits, Zhiyong Wang, Jize Xie, Yi Chen, John C.S. Lui, Dongruo Zhou.

### **PUBLICATIONS** (\* denotes equal contribution)

• Combinatorial Multivariant Multi-Armed Bandits with Applications to Episodic Reinforcement Learning and Beyond,

Xutong Liu, Siwei Wang, Jinhang Zuo, Han Zhong, Xuchuang Wang, <u>Zhiyong Wang</u>, Shuai Li, Mohammad Hajiesmaili, John C.S. Lui, Wei Chen,

Accepted in the Forty-first International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2024.

- Quantifying the Merits of Network-Assist Online Learning in Optimizing Network Protocols, Xiangxiang Dai<sup>\*</sup>, Zhiyong Wang<sup>\*</sup>, Jiancheng Ye, John C.S. Lui, Accepted in the IEEE/ACM International Symposium on Quality of Service (IWQoS), 2024.
- Online Optimal Service Caching for Multi-Access Edge Computing: A Constrained Multi-Armed Bandit Optimization Approach,

Weibo Chu, Xiaoyan Zhang, Xinming Jia, John C.S. Lui, <u>Zhiyong Wang</u>, Computer Networks. 2024.

- Federated Contextual Cascading Bandits with Asynchronous Communication and Heterogeneous Users, Hantao Yang, Xutong Liu, <u>Zhiyong Wang</u>, Hong Xie, John C.S. Lui, Defu Lian, Enhong Chen, Accepted in the AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2024.
- Learning Context-Aware Probabilistic Maximum Coverage Bandits: A Variance-Adaptive Approach, Xutong Liu, Jinhang Zuo, Junkai Wang, Zhiyong Wang, Yuedong Xu, John C.S. Lui, IEEE International Conference on Computer Communications (INFOCOM), 2024.
- Online Clustering of Bandits with Misspecified User Models, Zhiyong Wang, Jize Xie, Xutong Liu, Shuai Li, John C.S. Lui,

Ithaca, New York, USA Mar.2024–Present

> Hong Kong, China Aug.2021–Present

Wuhan, China Sep.2017–Jun.2021 Thirty-seventh Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2023.

- Online Corrupted User Detection and Regret Minimization, <u>Zhiyong Wang</u>, Jize Xie, Xutong Liu, Shuai Li, John C.S. Lui, <u>Thirty-seventh Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)</u>, 2023.
- Adversarial Attacks on Online Learning to Rank with Click Feedback, Jinhang Zuo, Zhiyao Zhang, <u>Zhiyong Wang</u>, Shuai Li, Mohammad Hajiesmaili, Adam Wierman, Thirty-seventh Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2023.
- Efficient Explorative Key-term Selection Strategies for Conversational Contextual Bandits, Zhiyong Wang, Jize Xie, Xutong Liu, Shuai Li, John C.S. Lui, Thirty-seventh AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2023.

### WORKING EXPERIENCE

1. Microsoft Research Asia (Jun. 2023- Sep. 2023) -Theory Center, Research Intern, Mentor: Dr. Wei Chen (IEEE Fellow, Director of Microsoft Research Asia Theory Center).

## HONORS & AWARDS

Full Postgraduate Studentship		2021-2025, <b>CUHK</b>
Outstanding Graduates of Huazhong University of	Science and Technology	2021, <b>HUST</b>
Outstanding Undergraduates in terms of Academic	c Performance $(3\%)$	2017-2021, <b>HUST</b>
Scholarship for excellent academic performance (3)	76)	2019-2020, <b>HUST</b>
S. I. Komarova Scholarship for academic excellence	e	2020, Valeon
National Scholarship twice	2017-2018, 2018-2019, Ministry of H	Education of China
Merit Student twice $(3\%)$	2017-2018,	2018-2019, <b>HUST</b>
Scholarship for Exploration	2018, <b>Whale Edu</b>	cation Foundation
Second Prize in the 11th Mathematical Modeling Competition of Central China 2018, <b>HBSIAN</b>		2018, <b>HBSIAM</b>
Scholarship for outstanding academic performance	for Freshmen	2017-2018, <b>HUST</b>

### TEACHING ASSISTANT

CSCI2040: Introduction to Python	Fall 2021, CUHK
CSCI1510: Computer Principles and C Programming	Spring 2022, CUHK
CSCI2040: Introduction to Python	Fall 2022, CUHK
CSCI2040: Introduction to Python	Spring 2023, CUHK
CSCI2040: Introduction to Python	Fall 2023, CUHK

### SKILLS

**Programming Skills**: Python, Matlab, C.

Languages: English (IELTS: 7.0) and Mandarin Chinese (native language).