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Research Interest _

Machine learning, graph mining, multilinear algebra, and optimization in general. In particular, I am interested in developing tensor algorithms to dissect characteristic of graph nodes as well as learning the optimization and the theoretical results of these methods. Problems I investigate are motivated by the network data.

Though most of my works focus on clustering problem on graph data by far, I am open to interesting works in other field and have dabbled in a wide range of AI problem. Recently, I am also working on image recovery with low rank tensor method and knowledge distill with designed tensor scheme.

Education

Sun Yat-Sen University

Guangzhou, China

M.S. on Computational Mathematics

Sep. 2017 - Present

• Grade: 90.87/100, Got a National Scholarship, a First-class Scholarship.

Central South University

Changsha, China

B.S. on Mathematics

Sep. 2013 - Jun. 2017

• Grade: 80.78/100, Got an Excellent Paper Award in College Students' Innovation and Entrepreneurship Project.

Research Experience

Department of Mathematics, Hong Kong Baptist University

Hong Kong SAR, China

Visiting Scholar, Supervisor: Prof. Michael Kwok-Po Ng and Dr. Weiyang Ding

Nov. 2019 (planning)

• Research Topic: Applications of Tensor Method and Neural Network.

InplusLab, Sun Yat-Sen University

Guangzhou, China

Research Assistant, Supervisor: Prof. Zibin Zheng and Dr. Chuan Chen

Sep. 2017 - Present

• Research Topic: Applications of Tensor Method, and Network (Graph) Analysis: Embedding, Clustering and Information Fusion.

Data Center of Wechat Group, Tencent Technology

Guangzhou, China

Research Intern, Supervisor: Guohui Ling

Jun. 2018 - May. 2019

• Research Topic: Network Embedding with Attributes and Labels. Paper was published in conference DASFAA 2019.

Liu's Research Team, Central South University

Changsha, China

Student Intern, Supervisor: Prof. Shengjun Liu and Dr. Xinru Liu

May. 2015 - Jun. 2017

• Research Topic: Fast Construction of 2D Offset Curve, and Point Cloud Denoising and Surface Reconstruction

Selected Projects

Tensor decomposition for Multilayer Networks

AAAI 2019

Advisor: Dr. Chuan Chen

Sep. 2017 - Jun. 2018

• Explored a new clustering problem in multilayer networks: some graphs might follow the same cluster distribution while the others not. In such multiple distribution case, we proposed a tensor decomposition based method to simultaneously group the graphs and cluster the nodes in different groups. This purposed constrained non-convex nonlinear least square problem is transformed to an unconstrained one and solved via Trust Region method. Published in AAAI 2019.

Variational Graph Embedding and Clustering with Laplacian Eigenmaps

IJCAI 2019

Advisor: Dr. Chuan Chen

Oct. 2018 - Feb. 2019

• Explored the graph embedding and clustering from a deep probability viewpoint, catching the uncertainty nature of nodes; presented nodes as Gaussian distributions to disentangle uncertainty from low-dimensional embeddings, and then learned an interpretable clustering by the variational inference and generative process with a Mixture of Gaussian prior. Published in IJCAI 2019.

SINE: Side information Network Embedding

DASFAA 2019

Advisor: Dr. Chuan Chen and Guohui Ling from WeChat

May. 2018 - Oct. 2018

• Proposed a framework to embed network nodes with attributes and labels. For the attribute effects varied with nodes and the propagation of label info, SINE defines a flexible and semantical neighborhood to model such nature of nodes and designs a random walk scheme to explore such neighborhood. Published in DAFSAA 2019. This work is collaborated with WeChat.

Publications

Under Review Manuscript

• Chuan Chen, Zitai Chen, Zibin Zheng, Nong Xiao (2019). Block Term Decomposition for Multilayer Networks Clustering.

Working Manuscript

- Zhebin Wu, **Zitai Chen**, Chaun Chen, Xiongjun Zhang, Zibin Zheng, (2019). Robust Tensor Completion with Tensor-Train Rank for Image Recovery.
- Zong Zhang, **Zitai Chen**, Chuan Chen, Zibin Zheng, Qingsong Zou (2019). Attributed Network Clustering with Uncertainty Estimation.

Publications

- **Zitai Chen**, Chuan Chen, Zong Zhang, Zibin Zheng, Qingsong Zou (2019). Variational Graph Embedding and Clustering with Laplacian Eigenmaps. In *Proceedings of the Twenty-Eighth International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence*, 2144-2150. IJCAI 2019. (Accepted Rate: 850/4,752, Oral Presentation)
- **Zitai Chen***, Tongzhao Cai*, Chuan Chen, Zibin Zheng, Guohui Ling (2019). SINE: Side Information Network Embedding. In Database Systems for Advanced Applications (1) 2019, 692-708. DASFAA 2019. (Oral Presentation)
- Zitai Chen, Chuan Chen, Zibin Zheng, Yi Zhu (2019). Tensor Decomposition for Multilayer Networks Clustering. In *Proceedings of the AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence*, 33(01), 3371-3378. AAAI 2019. (Accepted Rate:1,150/7095, Oral Presentation)
- Fanghua Ye, **Zitai Chen**, Hui Qian, Rui Li, Chuan Chen and Zibin Zheng (2018). New Approaches in Multi-View Clustering. *Recent Applications in Data Clustering*.
- Rui Qin, Shengjun Liu, **Zitai Chen**, Weixiong Yuan, Fan Zhang, Xinru Liu (2017). Fast construction of 2D offset curve based on distance field. *Journal of Zhejiang University (Science Edition)*, 2017, 44(1), 10-21.

Professional Services

• PC (2020) of AAAI

Technical Skills

- Languages: Mandarin, English, and Cantonese.
- **Programming Languages**: Matlab, Python, C++, Tensorflow and LaTeX.
- Specialty: Convex Optimization, Multilinear Algebra, Mathematic Analysis, Numerical Calculation