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Jiahang Li

Education

2026– **University of Waterloo**, *PhD*, Computer Science, (quit due to visa issues).

supervisor: Dr. Yang Lu

2022-Now The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Master, Computer Science.

2018-2022 Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications, Bachelor, Computer

Science.

GPA: 86.37/100, IELTS: 7.0

Research interests

Algorithmic design, system design and applications of Graph Machine Learning and Large Language Models.

Experience

2024–2025 Research Assistant, University of Madison Wisconsin, supervisor: Dr. Yang Lu.

1. FDR Control for Causal Graph Learning

Applying Knockoff methods to control False Discovery Rate (FDR) of Causal Graph Learning with application on Gene Regulatory Network Inference.

2. Bioinformatics Agent powered by Dependency Graph

Developing an dependency graph construction pipeline for automatic building of Bioinformatics Agent.

2021–2022 **Software Development Engineer Intern**, Amazon Shanghai Al Lab.

1. Deep Graph Library (DGL)

Implementing GNN models, graph samplers and datasets for DGL framework supervisor: Mr. Mufei Li

2. GNN Initialization

Developing a novel parameter initialization method for GNN models

supervisor: Dr. Xiang Song and Dr. David Wipf

publication: On the Initialization of Graph Neural Networks (first author), ICML 2023

3. Multi-table Benchmark

Developing graph learning solutions for multi-table database.

supervisor: Mr. Quan Gan, Dr. Minjie Wang and Dr. David Wipf

publication: 4DBInfer: A 4D Benchmarking Toolbox for Graph-Centric Predictive

Modeling on Relational DBs. NeurIPS 2024 D&B Track

2020–2021 Research Assistant, GAMMA Lab in BUPT.

1. OpenHGNN framework

Implementing heterogeneous GNN (hGNN) models for OpenHGNN framework Implementing hGNN samplers for efficient model training

supervisor: Dr. Chuan Shi

Publications

- 1. Jiahang Li, Yakun Song, Xiang Song, David Wipf. On the Initialization of Graph Neural Networks. accpeted by ICML 2023
- 2. Minjie Wang, Quan Gan, David Wipf, Zhenkun Cai, Ning Li, Jianheng Tang, Yanlin Zhang, Zizhao Zhang, Zunyao Mao, Yakun Song, Yanbo Wang, Jiahang Li, Han Zhang, Guang Yang, Xiao Qin, Chuan Lei, Muhan Zhang, Weinan Zhang, Christos Faloutsos, Zheng Zhang. 4DBInfer: A 4D Benchmarking Toolbox for Graph-Centric Predictive Modeling on Relational DBs. accepted by NeurIPS 2024 D&B Track
- 3. Zipei Yan, Dong Liang, Linchuan Xu, Jiahang Li, Zhengji Liu, Shuai Wang, Jiannong Cao, Chea-su Kee. Vision Loss Estimation using Fundus Photograph for High Myopia. accpeted by MICCAI 2023
- 4. Xiang Song, Runjie Ma, Jiahang Li, Muhan Zhang, David Wipf. Network in Graph Neural Network. arXiv preprint arXiv:2111.11638.
- 5. Jiahang Li, abstract On the Generation of LLM-based Agents for Automatic and Conversational Biological Data Analysis. accepted by PolyU COMP - HKUST (GZ) INFH Research Student Conference

Service

Journal SIAM Journal on Mathematics of Data Science (SIMODS)

reviewer

Conference NeurIPS 2025 Datasets and Benchmarks Track

reviewer

Awards

2021 Second Prize of National English Competition for College Students

2021 Third Prize of National Mathematics Competition for College Students

2021 Honorable Mention of MCM/ICM

Skills

Programming C/C++, Python, Java, Shellscript, Linux

Languages

Machine PyTorch, Tensorflow, DGL, PyG

Learning

Distributed Ray, Horovod, PyTorch Distributed

Training

Web HTML, CSS, Javascript, Vue.js, React.js, Django

Development

Large vLLM, sglang, ollama, deepspeed, llamafactor, huggingface

Language

Model