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EDUCATION	<b>University of Texas at Austin</b> , Austin, TX <i>Ph.D</i> , Department of Computer Science	2016.09 - 2023.05	
	<b>Cornell University</b> , Ithaca, NY Master of Engineering, Department of Computer Science	2015.09 - 2016.05.29	
	<b>Cornell University</b> , Ithaca, NY <i>Exchange Student</i> , Department of Computer Science	2014.09 - 2015.05	
	<b>Peking University</b> , Beijing, China Bachelor of Science, School of EECS	2011.09 - 2015.07	
RESEARCH & INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE	Applied Scientist, Amazon, Seattle, WA. Research Scientist, Amazon, Seattle, WA. Research Intern, Bytedance, Seattle, WA. Graduate Research Assistant, UT Austin, Austin, TX	2024.01 - Present 2021.09 - 2023.12 2020.06 - 2020.08 2017.09 - 2021.08	
PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY	<ul> <li>Conference reviewer/ PC member</li> <li>Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS) 2018 - 20</li> <li>International Conferences on Machine Learning (ICML) 2019 - 2023</li> <li>International Conferences on Learning Representations (ICLR) 2020 - 2022</li> <li>AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI) 2020 - 2022</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Journal Reviewer</li> <li>IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (TPAMI)</li> <li>Journal of Machine Learning Research (JMLR)</li> <li>Transactions on Machine Learning Research (TMLR)</li> </ul>		
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<ul> <li>Teaching Assistant</li> <li>CS391L Machine Learning (web-based), Fall 2020, Sp structor: Adam Klivans &amp; Qiang Liu.</li> </ul>	ring 2021, UT Austin, In-	
	• CS331 Algorithm and Complexity, Fall 2019, Spring 2019, UT austin, Instructor: Dana Moshkovitz		
	<ul> <li>CS331 Algorithm and Complexity, Spring 2020, Fall 2018, 2016, UT austin, In- structor: Fares Fraij</li> </ul>		
	• CS331 Algorithm and Complexity, Fall 2017, Spring 2017(Honor Track), UT austin, Instructor: Eric Price		
HONOR and AWARD	Honor: • Dean's Honor List	Cornell University	
	• Kuang-Hua Scholarship(top 10%)	Peking University, 2014.10	
	• Robin Li Scholarship(top 5%)	Peking University, 2013.10	
	• Tian Chuang Scholarship(top 10%)	Peking University, 2012.10	
	Award: • Googl Student Travel Award		

• 2014 Mathematical Contest in Modeling (MCM), Meritorious Winner

- 3<sup>rd</sup> place in 2015 Peking University AI bot competition (among 125 participants)
- First prize in 2008,2009,2010 National Mathematical Contest for High School Students, ranked 17th, 20th, 12th in Guangdong Province respectively(over 1000 participants).
- First prize in 2009 Chinese Hong Kong Mathematical Olympiad(CHKMO). Second Place among all participants

### **PUBLICATION** Pre-print

- **Ziyang Tang**, Yiheng Duan, Stephanie Zhang, and Lihong Li. A Reinforcement Learning Approach to Estimating Long-term Treatment Effects. arXiv preprint arXiv:2210.07536 (2022).
- Liu Liu, **Ziyang Tang**, Lanqing Li, Dijun Luo. Robust Imitation Learning from Corrupted Demonstrations. arXiv preprint arXiv:2201.12594 (2022).
- Xing han<sup>\*</sup>, **Ziyang Tang**<sup>\*</sup>, Joydeep Ghosh, Qiang Liu. Split Localized Conformal Prediction. arXiv preprint arXiv:2206.13092 (2022).
- Ziyang Tang, Yihao Feng, and Qiang Liu. Operator Deep Q-Learning: Zero-Shot Reward Transferring in Reinforcement Learning. arXiv preprint arXiv:2201.00236 (2022).

#### Refereed Conference Papers

- Ziyang Tang, Yiheng Duan, Steven Zhu, Stephanie Zhang, Lihong Li. Estimating Long-term Effects from Experimental Data. In Proceedings of the 16th ACM Conference on Recommender Systems, pp. 516-518. 2022.
- Yihao Feng<sup>\*</sup>, **Ziyang Tang**<sup>\*</sup>, Na Zhang, Qiang Liu. Non-asymptotic Confidence Intervals of Off-policy Evaluation: Primal and Dual Bounds. In International Conference on Learning Representations(ICLR). 2021.
- Ziyang Tang, Yihao Feng, Na Zhang, Jian Peng, Qiang Liu. Off-Policy Interval Estimation with Lipschitz Value Iteration. In Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems(NeurIPS), 2020.
- Yihao Feng<sup>\*</sup>, Tongzheng Ren<sup>\*</sup>, **Ziyang Tang**<sup>\*</sup>, Qiang Liu. Accountable Off-Policy Evaluation With Kernel Bellman Statistics. In International Conference on Machine Learning(ICML). 2020.
- **Ziyang Tang**<sup>\*</sup>, Yihao Feng<sup>\*</sup>, Lihong Li, Dengyong Zhou, Qiang Liu. Doubly Robust Bias Reduction in Infinite Horizon Off-Policy Estimation. In International Conference on Learning Representations(ICLR). 2020.
- Dilin Wang<sup>\*</sup>, **Ziyang Tang**<sup>\*</sup>, Chandrajit Bajaj, Qiang Liu. Stein Variational Gradient Descent With Matrix-Valued Kernels. In Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems 32, pp. 7836–7846(NeurIPS). 2019.
- Qiang Liu, Lihong Li, **Ziyang Tang**, and Dengyong Zhou. Breaking the curse of horizon: Infinite-horizon off-policy estimation. In Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems, pp. 5357-5367(NeurIPS). 2018.
- Chaoyi Wang, Hao Chen, Zihan Lei, **Ziyang Tang**, Tian Liu, and Ke Xu. Tree Convex Bipartite Graphs: *NP*-Complete Domination, Hamiltonicity and Treewidth. In International Workshop on Frontiers in Algorithmics, pp. 252-263. Springer, Cham, 2014.

#### Journal Papers:

• Hao Chen, Zihan Lei, Tian Liu, **Ziyang Tang**, Chaoyi Wang, and Ke Xu. Complexity of domination, hamiltonicity and treewidth for tree convex bipartite graphs. Journal of Combinatorial Optimization 32, no. 1 (2016): 95-110.

## COMPUTER SKILLS

- Programming language: Python, C/C++, Matlab, php, java, java<br/>script, pascal
- Machine Learning Package: Tensorflow, Pytorch, pandas, Numpy
- $\bullet$  Software: Github,  ${\rm \ensuremath{\mathbb H}}^{\!\!\!\!} T_{\!\!\!\!\!\!E} X$