# Yangxinyu Xie

#### Education

2022 - Ph.D. Student, Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, Statistics.

2021 – 2022 Master of Science, University of Texas at Austin, Computer Science.

Advisors: Anna Gál and Ngoc Mai Tran Thesis: *Matrix Rigidity: A Survey* 

2017 – 2021 Bachelor of Science, University of Texas at Austin, Computer Science, Mathematics.

#### **Publications**

- Preprint Xie, Y. and Mallick, T. A Comparative Study of Loss Functions: Traffic Predictions in Regular and Congestion Scenarios. arXiv preprint arXiv:2308.15464.
  - O Krenn, M., Buffoni, L., Coutinho, B., Eppel, S., Foster, J.G., Gritsevskiy, A., Lee, H., Lu, Y., Moutinho, J.P., Sanjabi, N., Sonthalia, R., Tran, N., Valente, F., Xie, Y., Yu, R., and Kopp, M. Forecasting the future of artificial intelligence with machine learning-based link prediction in an exponentially growing knowledge network. Nature Machine Intelligence, pp.1-10. https://doi.org/10.1038/s42256-023-00735-0
  - 2022 Sun, A.Y., Jiang, P., Yang, Z.L., Xie, Y. and Chen, X. A graph neural network (GNN) approach to basin-scale river network learning: the role of physics-based connectivity and data fusion. Hydrology and Earth System Sciences, 26(19), pp.5163-5184.
  - Tran NM, Xie, Y. Improving random walk rankings with feature selection and imputation. In 2021 IEEE International Conference on Big Data (Big Data) 2021 Dec 15 (pp. 5824-5827). IEEE.
    - Xie, Y., Kulpanowski, D., Ong, J., Nikolova, E., Tran, NM. Predicting Covid-19 emergency medical service incidents from daily hospitalization trends. Int J Clin Pract. 2021; 00:e14920. doi:10.1111/ijcp.14920
    - $\circ\,$  Xie, Y. On 2  $\times$  2 Tropical Commuting Matrices. Linear Algebra and its Applications, 620, 92-108.

#### Honors and Awards

- 2024 **CityLearn Challenge Forecasting Track 2nd Place**, *NeurIPS*. Team Members: Tanwi Mallick, Ngoc Tran, Yangxinyu Xie
- 2022 **Dean's Honored Graduate**, *College of Natural Sciences*, University of Texas at Austin.
- 2022 Research Distinction, College of Natural Sciences, University of Texas at Austin.

- 2022 Longhorn Research Poster Session Award 3rd Place, Research Week, University of Texas at Austin.
- 2021 Science4cast Competition 2nd Place, IEEE BigData Cup Challenges, Institute of Advanced Research in Artificial Intelligence, Vienna, Austria. Team Members: Ngoc Tran, Yangxinyu Xie
- 2021 **UT Austin Member**, Academy of Undergraduate Researchers Across Texas.
- 2021 **George H. Mitchell Student Awards Semi-Finalist**, *Student Success Initiatives*, University of Texas at Austin.
- 2021 **Smart City Hackathon 1st Place**, *Good Systems*, University of Texas at Austin. Team Members: Jacob Helwig, Jack Si, Yangxinyu Xie
- 2021 **Distinguished College Scholar**, *College of Natural Sciences*, University of Texas at Austin.
- 2021 Cactus Standout Award, Cactus Yearbook, University of Texas at Austin.
- 2019 **Second Year Excellence Award**, *College of Natural Sciences*, University of Texas at Austin.
- Fall 2017 Dean's List, College of Undergraduate Studies, University of Texas at Austin.

# Scholarships, Fellowships and Grants

- 2024 AMS Graduate Student Travel Grants for Joint Mathematics Meeting.
- 2023 **Sustainable Research Pathways**, Sustainable Horizons Institute & U.S. Department of Energy Exascale Computing Project.
- 2022 Boyd Harshburger Travel Award, The Southern Regional Council on Statistics.
- 2021 Graduate School Application Financial Aid Program, oSTEM, Queer in Al.
- 2021 Student Fellow, College of Undergraduate Studies, University of Texas at Austin.
- 2021, 2020 AMS Undergraduate Student Travel Grants for Joint Mathematics Meeting.

#### Presentations

#### Research Talks

- 2024 O Joint Convergence of Monochromatic Edges in Multiplex Hypergraphs. AMS Contributed Paper Session on Combinatorics, IV. Joint Mathematics Meetings. San Francisco, CA, January, 2024.
- 2023 A Comparative Study of Loss Functions: Traffic Predictions in Regular and Congestion Scenarios. Summer Argonne Student Symposium (Sassy). Virtual, August, 2023.

- 2021 Random walk rankings with feature selection and imputation. IEEE International Conference on Big Data, Virtual, December, 2021.
  - Public Opinions on COVID-19 Vaccines from Social Media: A Machine Learning Study. oSTEM 2021 Symposia. Virtual, October, 2021.
  - Optimizing Ambulance Allocation and Routing During Extreme Events. Smart Cities Consortium, Good Systems, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX, January, 2021.
- 2020 Matrix Rigidity, Algebraic and Combinatorial Techniques. 3rd Bringing Young Mathematicians Together Conference, Universitat de Valencia, Virtual, December, 2020.
- 2019 On 2 by 2 Tropical Commuting Matrices. Southeastern Undergraduate Mathematics Workshop, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, August, 2019.

#### Poster Presentations

- Towards Label Driven Mondrian Forests. The Southern Regional Council on Statistics,
  57th Summer Research Conference, Jekyll Island, GA, October, 2022.
  - Predicting Covid-19 EMS Incidents from Daily Hospitalization Trends. Longhorn Research Poster Session, UT Austin, April, 2022. Poster Presentation Award, Third Place.
- 2021 Optimizing EMS Responses during Extreme Events. MAA Undergraduate Poster Session, Joint Mathematics Meetings, January, 2021. Honorable Mention Poster.
- 2020 On Tropical Commuting Matrices. MAA Undergraduate Poster Session, Joint Mathematics Meetings, Denver, CO, January, 2020.

#### Public Scholarship

- 2023 Modeling the Impact of the Baltimore Red Line on Job Accessibility, GIS DAY 2023, University of Pennsylvania, November 2023.
  - All Aboard! Assessing Transit Equity in Baltimore, MD, Impact Summit, August 2023.

#### Outreach

 Establishing the Mathematicians of Color Alliance of Texas. Outreach Poster Session, MAA MathFest, August, 2021.

# Teaching Assistantship

University of Pennsylvania

- Fall 2023 Statistical Methodology, Graduate.
- Fall 2022 Applied Econometrics I, Graduate.

#### University of Texas at Austin

- Spring 2020 Algorithms and Complexity: Honors, Undergraduate.
- Spring 2020 **Predictive Analytics**, *Undergraduate*.
  - Fall 2019 Applied Regression and Time Series, Undergraduate.
  - Fall 2019 Discrete Mathematics, Undergraduate.

## Mentorship

- Summer 2023 **Graduate Student Mentor**, *Undergraduate Research Program in Data Science for Democracy*, SNF Agora Institute, Johns Hopkins University.
  - Spring 2023 **Graduate Student Mentor**, *Undergraduate Research Program in Probability and Statistics*, University of Pennsylvania.
    - Fall 2022 **Graduate Student Mentor and Panelist**, 3rd annual Statistics Undergraduate Research Experience (SURE), The Southern Regional Council on Statistics.
- Spring 2021 **Mentor**, *Directed Reading Program, ACM For Change*, University of Texas at Austin. Spring 2022
  - Spring 2020 Coding in the Classroom Volunteer Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Department of Computer Science's outreach initiatives, University of Texas at Austin.
  - Spring 2019 **ExploreUT Volunteer**, *Department of Computer Science's outreach initiatives*, University of Texas at Austin.
    - Fall 2018 **Hour of Code Volunteer**, *Department of Computer Science's outreach initiatives*, University of Texas at Austin.

#### Service

- Spring 2023 **Participant**, *Michael S. Hinson, Jr. LGBTQ+ Leadership Pipeline Program*, Philadel-current phia Office of LGBT Affairs .
  - Fall 2022 **Board Member**, *Wharton Doctoral Council*, University of Pennsylvania. current
  - Spring 2023 Volunteer, Community Engagement Program, University of Pennsylvania.
- Spring 2021 **Organizer**, *Directed Reading Program*, *ACM For Change*, University of Texas at Spring 2022 Austin.
  - Fall 2020 **Event Coordinating Officer**, *Mathematicians of Color Alliance of Texas*, University Spring 2022 of Texas at Austin.
  - Fall 2020 **UGS Alumni Guide**, *College of Undergraduate Studies*, University of Texas at Austin. Spring 2021
  - Fall 2018 **UGS Ambassador**, *College of Undergraduate Studies*, University of Texas at Austin. Spring 2021
- Summer 2018 Dean's Squad Leader, Office of the Dean of Students, University of Texas at Austin.

## Professional Experience

- Summer 2023 Visiting Student, Argonne National Laboratory, Lemont, IL.
- Summer 2019 Software Engineering Intern, Sense Talent Labs, San Francisco, CA.

2018–2019 Data Science Innovation Fellow, UT OnRamps, Austin, TX.

2018 – 2019 ProjectLEAD, Leadership and Ethics Institute, University of Texas at Austin.

# Skills

Fluent Python, R, LATEX

Intermediate Java, C#, C, C++, SQL

Basic HTML, Shell