

Education

The Chinese University of Hong Kong

2021.8-2025.7

Ph.D. candidate, Department of Information Engineering Advisors: Prof. Cheuk Ting Li and Prof. Raymond W. Yeung

Stanford University

2024.1-2024.6

Visiting Student Researcher, Department of Electrical Engineering

Advisor: Prof. Ayfer Özgür

The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen

2017.9-2021.6

B.Eng. in Electronic Information Engineering and minor in Philosophy

Advisor: Prof. Shenghao Yang

Research

- One-shot/Nonasymptotic Network Information Theory: I derive explicit one-shot coding schemes for network information theory, uncovering the fundamental nonasymptotic limits. I am particularly interested in multiuser (a.k.a. multihop) settings, e.g., multiterminal source coding, interference channels, and noisy network coding.
- Distributed Learning, Privacy, and Security: Inspired by channel simulation (a.k.a. remote source generation), I develop novel algorithms for compression, quantization, and differential privacy, with wide-ranging applications in distributed machine learning.
- Wireless Communications: I develop both fundamental theory, low-complexity algorithms, and optimization frameworks for large-scale networks, possibly in challenging environments.

Awards

- o CUHK PhD International Mobility for Partnerships and Collaborations Award 2023-24.
- NeurIPS Scholar Award (2024).
- ISIT Travel Award (2024).

Publications

Preprints

- [1] **Yanxiao Liu** and Cheuk Ting Li. "One-Shot Coding over General Noisy Networks". In: Submitted to IEEE Transactions on Information Theory, revised in June. (2025).
- [2] **Yanxiao Liu** and Cheuk Ting Li. "One-Shot Information Hiding and Compound Wiretap Channels". In: (2025).
- [3] Yanxiao Liu, Shenghao Yang, and Cheuk Ting Li. "Joint Scheduling and Multiflow Maximization in Wireless Networks". In: Submitted to IEEE Transactions on Networking (2025).
- [4] **Yanxiao Liu**, Chih Wei Ling, and Cheuk Ting Li. "Weighted Polar Codes for Channels with State". In: (2024).

Journal Articles

- [5] Chih Wei Ling*, **Yanxiao Liu*(equal contribution)**, and Cheuk Ting Li. "Weighted Parity-Check Codes for Channels with State and Asymmetric Channels". In: *IEEE Transactions on Information Theory* 70.8 (2024), pp. 5573–5588.
- [6] Shenghao Yang, Jun Ma, and **Yanxiao Liu**. "Wireless Network Scheduling with Discrete Propagation Delays: Theorems and Algorithms". In: <u>IEEE Transactions on Information Theory</u> 70.3 (2024), pp. 1852–1875.

Conference Proceedings

- [7] Yanxiao Liu, Sepehr Heidari Advary, and Cheuk Ting Li. "Nonasymptotic Oblivious Relaying and Variable-Length Noisy Lossy Source Coding". In: 2025 IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT). 2025.
- [8] Yanxiao Liu, Wei-Ning Chen, Ayfer Özgür, and Cheuk Ting Li. "Universal Exact Compression of Differentially Private Mechanisms". In: *The Thirty-Eighth Annual Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems* (NeurIPS). 2024.
- [9] **Yanxiao Liu** and Cheuk Ting Li. "One-Shot Coding over General Noisy Networks". In: 2024 IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT). 2024.
- [10] Yanxiao Liu and Cheuk Ting Li. "One-Shot Information Hiding". In: 2024 IEEE Information Theory Workshop (ITW). 2024.
- [11] Yijun Fan, **Yanxiao Liu**, Yi Chen, Shenghao Yang, and Raymond W. Yeung. "Reliable Throughput of Generalized Collision Channel Without Synchronization". In: *2023 IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT)*. 2023.
- [12] Yijun Fan, Yanxiao Liu, and Shenghao Yang. "Continuity of Link Scheduling Rate Region for Wireless Networks with Propagation Delays". In: 2022 IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT). 2022.
- [13] Chih Wei Ling, Yanxiao Liu, and Cheuk Ting Li. "Weighted Parity-Check Codes for Channels with State and Asymmetric Channels". In: 2022 IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT). 2022.

[14] Jun Ma, **Yanxiao Liu**, and Shenghao Yang. "Rate Region of Scheduling a Wireless Network with Discrete Propagation Delays". In: *IEEE INFOCOM 2021-IEEE Conference on Computer Communications (INFOCOM*). 2021.

Teaching Assistance

I have served as a teaching assistant for 9 courses, 8 of which were unique, including 2 at the graduate level. My areas of assistance spanned information theory, optimization, probability theory, statistics, discrete mathematics, electronic circuits, and practical computer network laboratories.

Graduate School Courses:

- ENGG5301: Information Theory (Fall 2022-23, Instructor: Prof. Cheuk Ting Li)
 - PhD-level course. I was the sole TA supporting ≈ 60 PhD students. I prepare materials, give weekly tutorials, hold weekly office hours, and grade homework and exams.
- CIE6010 (CUHKSZ): Optimization Theory and Examples (Fall 2019-20, Instructor: Prof. Stark Draper)
 - PhD-level course. I build up, organize and compile lecture notes (155 pages) from scratch, click to see \rightarrow [Notes].

Undergraduate Courses:

- IERG2060-ESTR2304: Basic Analog and Digital Circuits (Fall 2021-22, Instructor: Dr. Marco Ho)
- IERG2470-ESTR2308: Probability Models and Applications (Spring 2021-22, Instructor: Prof. Raymond W. Yeung)
- IERG2470-ESTR2308: Probability Models and Applications (Spring 2022-23, Instructor: Prof. Cheuk Ting Li)
- o IERG3800: Information Infrastructure Design Lab (Fall 2023-24, Instructor: Prof. Yiu Bun Lee)
- o IERG3050: Simulation and Statistical Analysis (Fall 2023-24, Instructor: Prof. Cheuk Ting Li)
- ENGG2440: Discrete Mathematics for Engineers (Fall 2024-25, Instructor: Prof. Cheuk Ting Li)
- MIEG2440-ESTR2362: Discrete Structures and Probability (Spring 2024-25, Instructor: Prof. Cheuk Ting Li)

Industrial Experience

Shenzhen Research Institute of Big Data

2021.5-2021.8

Research Intern

Pingan Technology

2020.8-2020.10

Software Engineer Intern

Postgraduate Courses Studied

- o ENGG5301 Information Theory (Fall 2021-22, Instructor: Prof. Raymond W. Yeung)
- ENGG5781 Matrix Analysis and Computations (Fall 2021-22, Instructor: Prof. Wing-Kin (Ken) Ma)
- ENGG5303 Advanced Wireless Communications (Spring 2021-22, Instructor: Prof. Ying-Jun Angela Zhang)
- IERG5200 Channel Coding and Modulation (Spring 2021-22, Instructor: Prof. Pascal O. Vontobel)

- o IERG6300 Theory of Probability (Spring 2021-22, Instructor: Prof. Chandra Nair)
- o IERG5290 Network Coding Theory (Fall 2022-23, Instructor: Prof. Raymond W. Yeung)
- o IERG6154 Network Information Theory (Spring 2022-23, Instructor: Prof. Chandra Nair)
- o IERG6130 Positive Definite Matrices (Sit-in, Spring 2024-25, Instructor: Prof. Amin Gohari)