# Bai Liu

### EDUCATION

#### June 2019 - Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

- December 2022 Ph.D. in Communications, Networks and Statistics - Minor: Machine Learning
  - August 2017 Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA
  - May 2019 Master of Science in Aeronautics and Astronautics
     GPA: 5.0/5.0
  - August 2013 Tsinghua University, Beijing, China
  - July 2017 Bachelor of Engineering in Automation (with the highest honor)
    - Bachelor of Economics in Economics (second degree)
    - GPA: 93/100 Ranking: 1st/118

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

-	Meta (Facebook), Ads ML Ranking Services, Research Scientist - Focusing on ML inference serving systems
	<ul> <li>Google, ML HPC Networking, Software Engineer</li> <li>Optimized collective operations in GPU level to minimize the latency for large scale AI training tasks</li> <li>Optimized the NCCL network plugin to achieve higher traffic throughput</li> <li>Designed and implemented new algorithms to improve the performance of collective operations</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Meta (Facebook), BCR Core Ads Ranking, Intern</li> <li>Designed and implemented a new on-device ranking scheme to serve users' real-time interests better</li> <li>Developed a new Ads request scheme to fetch Ads faster from the backend</li> <li>Conducted global-scale online experiments in the production environment to test the new schemes</li> </ul>
-	<ul> <li>Google, Fabric Core, Intern</li> <li>Designed and implemented a data center routing algorithm to balance the network traffic</li> <li>Developed a new data loss rate prediction model</li> <li>Applied reinforcement learning methods to optimize data center structures</li> </ul>
	COURSES AT MIT
Networks	6.263 Data Communication Networks, 6.829 Computer Networks, 16.363 Communication Systems Engineering, 16.393 Statistical Communication and Localization Theory
Prob & Stat	6.436 Fundamentals of Probability, 6.434 Statistics for Engineers and Scientists, 9.S914 Mathematical Statistics: A Non-Asymptotic Approach, IDS.131 Statistics, Computation, and Applications

- Mach. Learn. 6.246 Reinforcement Learning: Foundations and Methods, 6.437 Inference and Information
- Optimization 6.251 Introduction to Mathematical Programming, 6.252 Nonlinear Optimization

#### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

- Fields Learning and control methods in networked systems
- Tools Stochastic optimization, reinforcement learning, statistics

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

August 2023	Tracking Drift-Plus-Penalty: Utility Maximization for Partially Observable and Controllable Networks
	Bai Liu, Quang Minh Nguyen, Qingkai Liang, and Eytan Modiano. IEEE/ACM Transactions on Networking.
December 2022	Tracking MaxWeight*: Optimal Control for Partially Observable and Controllable Networks Bai Liu, Qingkai Liang, and Eytan Modiano. <i>IEEE/ACM Transactions on Networking</i> .
September 2022	Universal Policy Tracking: Scheduling for Wireless Networks with Delayed State Observation Bai Liu, and Eytan Modiano. 58th Annual Allerton Conference on Communication, Control, and Computing.
April 2022	<b>RL-QN: A Reinforcement Learning Framework for Optimal Control of Queueing Systems</b> <b>Bai Liu</b> , Qiaomin Xie, and Eytan Modiano. <i>ACM Transactions on Modeling and Performance Evaluation of Computing Systems</i> . [ArXiv]
November 2021	<b>Optimal Control for Networks with Unobservable Malicious Nodes</b> <b>Bai Liu</b> , and Eytan Modiano. <i>Performance Evaluation 151 (2021): 102230.</i>
September 2019	<b>Reinforcement Learning for Optimal Control of Queueing Systems</b> <b>Bai Liu</b> , Qiaomin Xie, and Eytan Modiano. 57th Annual Allerton Conference on Communication, Control, and Computing.
May 2016	Global Optimization Framework for Real-time Route Guidance via Variable Message Sign Bai Liu, Ke Han, and Jianming Hu [ArXiv]
	PATENT & SOFTWARE COPYRIGHT
June 2016	<b>Global Optimization Framework for Real-time Route Guidance via Variable Message Sign</b> Jianming Hu, Xin Pei, <b>Bai Liu</b> , <i>et al.</i> <i>Chinese Invention Patent</i> . Publication Number: CN105303856A.
February 2016	<b>Intelligent Networking Transportation Guidance System Platform V1.0</b> <i>Computer Software Copyright</i> . Registration Number: 2016SR252223.
	HONORS
July 2017	Excellent Graduate Award The highest honor for undergraduate students

- June 2016 **Fellowship of Stanford Undergraduate Visiting Researcher Program**, Stanford University Top undergraduate research program, only 18 students in China are selected annually.
- March 2016 **Qualcomm Scholarship**, Tsinghua University Awarded to students with excellent scientific potential (top 0.3%).

October 2012 1st Prize in the National Mathematical Olympiad, Chinese Mathematical Society (CMS)

October 2012 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize in the Chinese Physics Olympiad, Chinese Physical Society (CPS)