

How Did I Get Here?

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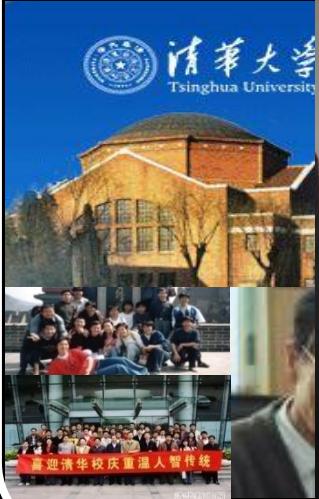
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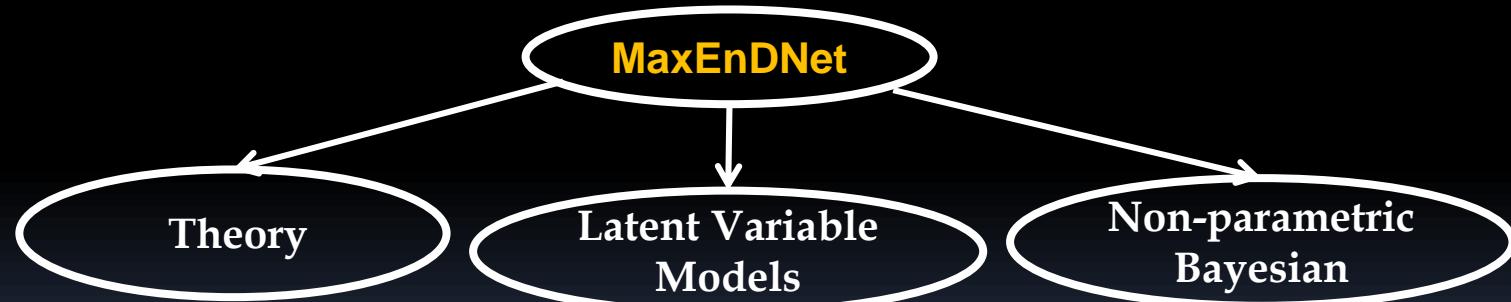
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Structured Learning

- **Maximum Entropy Discrimination Markov Network (MaxEnDNet)**
- – a novel framework with sound theoretical guarantee;
- – generalizes to latent factor models and non-parametric Bayesian inference.

Learning Principles	Classification	Structured Prediction
Max-Likelihood Estimation (Joint)	Naïve Bayes	HMMs (<i>Math. Stat.</i> , 1966)
Max-Likelihood Est. (Conditional)	Logistic Regression	CRFs (<i>ICML</i> , 2001)
Max-Margin Learning	Support Vector Machines	Max-Margin MNs (<i>NIPS</i> , 2003)
Max-Entropy Discrimination Learning	Max-Entropy Discrimination	MaxEnDNet (<i>ICML</i>, 2008)



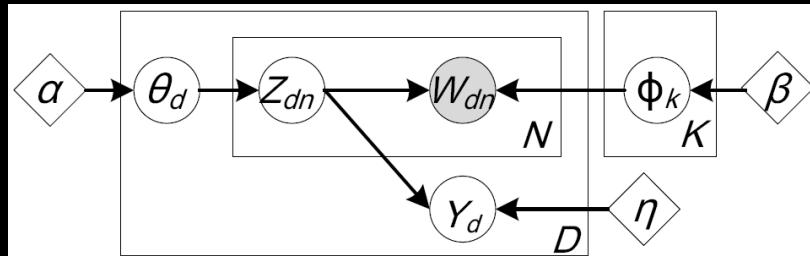
- **Representative Publications**

- Theoretical guarantee (**JMLR** 2009, **ICML** 2008, **ICML** 2009a);
- Latent factor models (**NIPS** 2008, **ICML** 2009b, **ICML** 2010, **NIPS** 2010a,b, **JMLR** 2011, **PAMI** 2011);
- Non-parametric Bayesian (**ICML** 2011, 2012, **NIPS**, 2011)



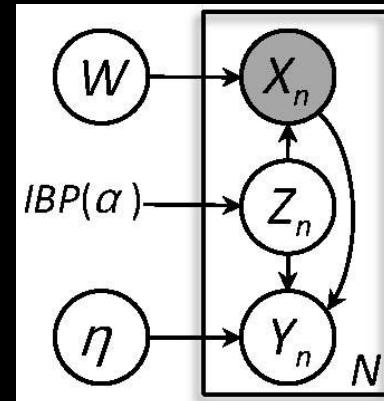
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- Regularized (Nonparametric) Bayesian Inference



Max-margin Supervised Topic Models

(Zhu et al., JMLR'12; Jiang, Zhu, et al., NIPS'12)



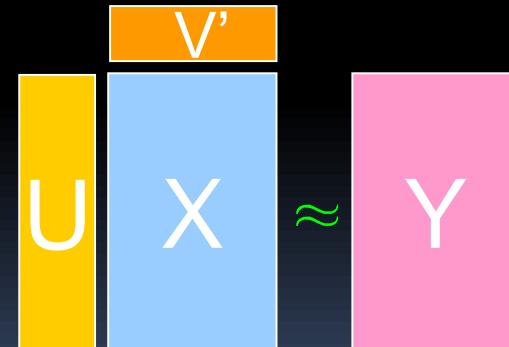
Infinite Latent SVMs

(Zhu, Chen & Xing, NIPS'11)



Nonparametric Relational Models

(Zhu, ICML'12)

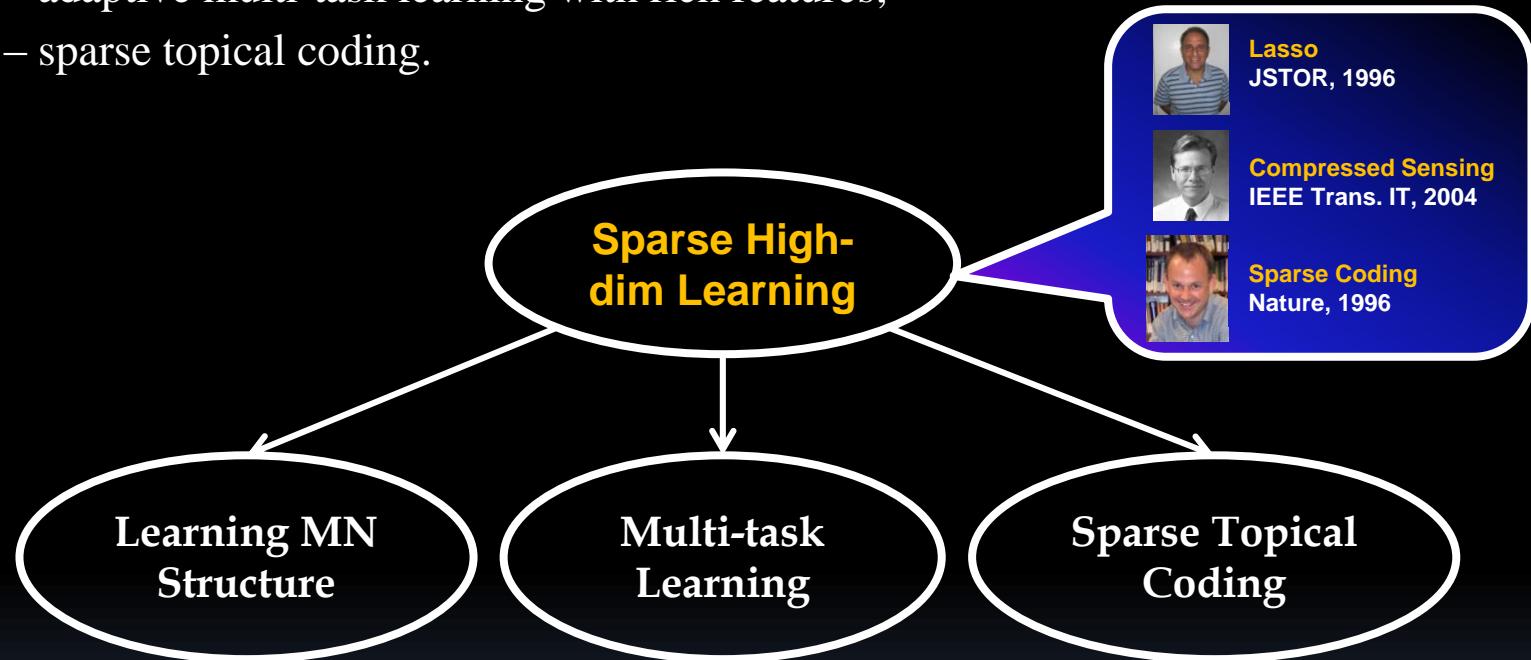


Nonparametric Matrix Factorization

(Xu, Zhu, & Zhang, NIPS'12)

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- **Sparse High-dimensional Learning**
- – fast algorithms for feature selection and structure learning of Markov networks;
- – adaptive multi-task learning with rich features;
- – sparse topical coding.

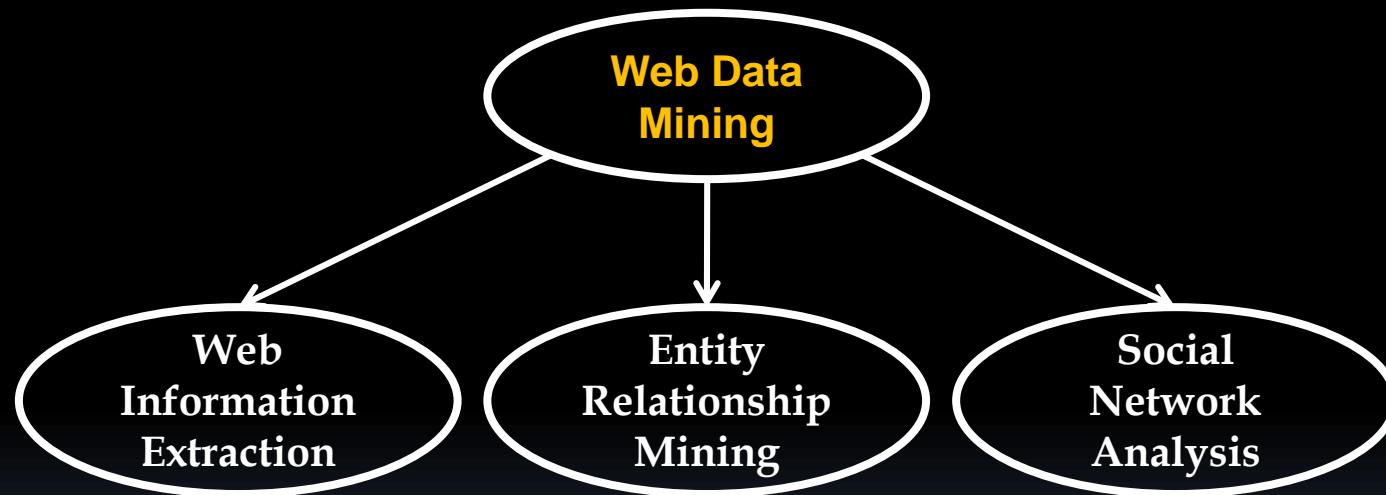


- **Representative Publications**
 - Structure learning of Markov networks (**NIPS** 2010c, **SIGKDD** 2009a, **SIGKDD** 2010);
 - Multi-task learning (**NIPS** 2010d);
 - Sparse topical coding (**UAI** 2011, **SIGKDD** 2011).



Practical Applications

- **Statistical Web Data Mining**
- – a novel statistical modeling framework for robust web data extraction;
- – bootstrapping for entity-relationship mining;
- – probabilistic graphical models for social network analysis.



- **Representative Publications**
 - Information extraction (**ICML** 2005, **SIGKDD** 2006, **SIGKDD** 2007, **ICML** 2007, **JMLR** 2008, **WWW** 2009a);
 - Entity relationship mining (**WWW** 2009b);
 - Social network analysis (**SIGKDD** 2009b).



How Did I Get Here? where “I = Jun Zhu”

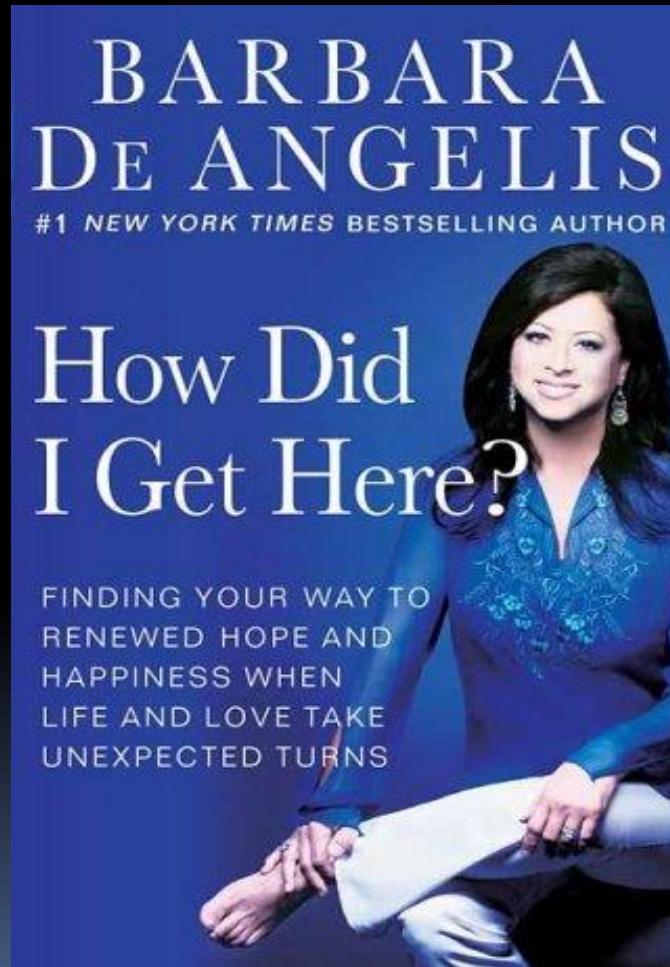
How Did I Get Here (Tianjin)?

- Thank



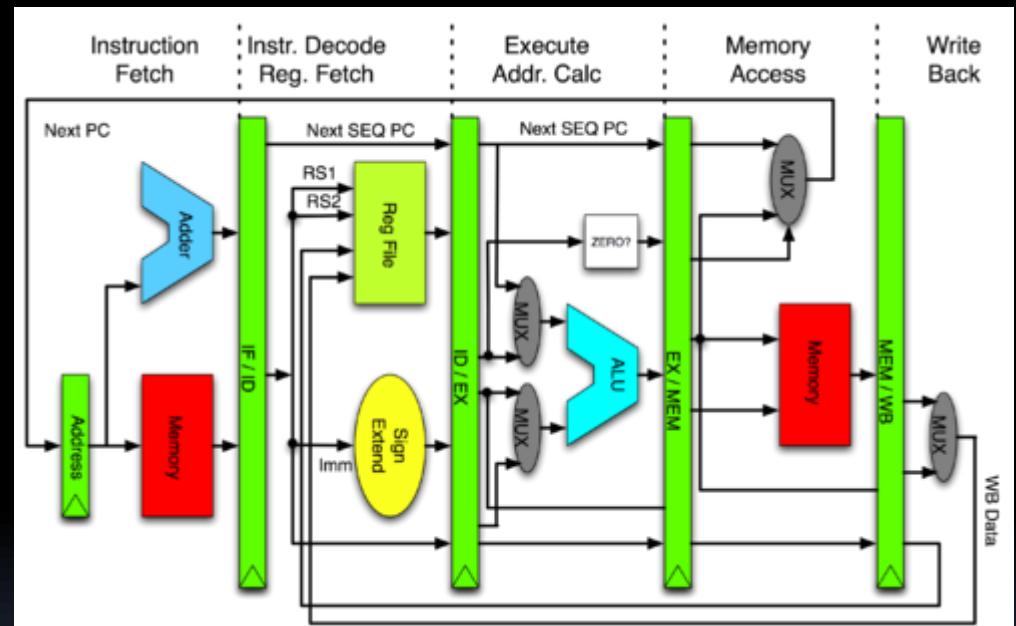
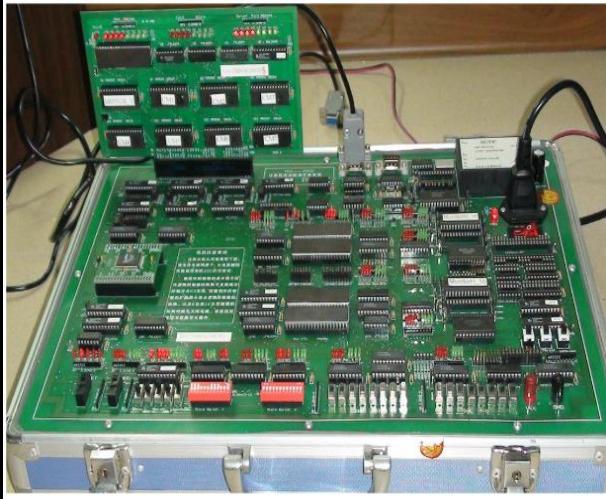
How Did I Get the Talk Title?

- The credits go to



How Did I Get My Career?

- Successful undergraduate research training on CPU design and hardware

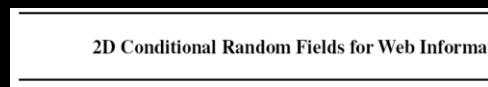


- But, my heart leads me to AI and ML for graduate study and the career

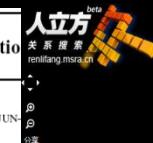


How Did I Get to MSRA?

- A random chance for 0.5 year internship
- but, turn out to be >3 Years!
- very fruitful and enjoyable time



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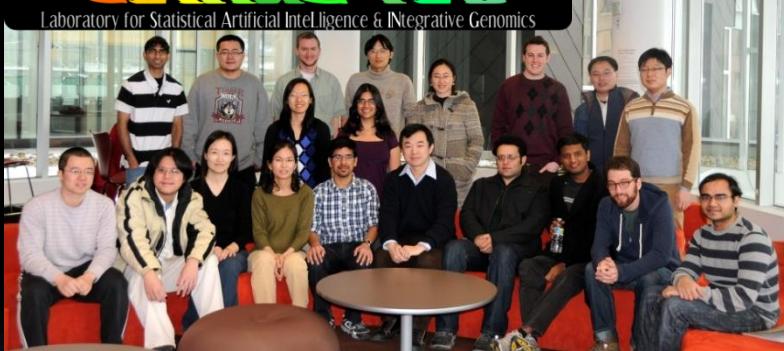


How Did I Get to CMU?

- 2007, sponsored visit by the government
- 2008, invited visit by CMU
- 2009, post-doc & project scientist with Sailing Lab



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How Did I Get back to Tsinghua?

- Persuaded by Professor Bo Zhang to believe in the bright future
- Get the job offer after an interview
- Back to Tsinghua without looking for other places



How Did I Get the 973 Project?

- Probably the youngest team leader in 973 projects
- Thanks to my team members
- Special thanks to Professor Zongben Xu (Member of CAS) for “not just selecting for titles”



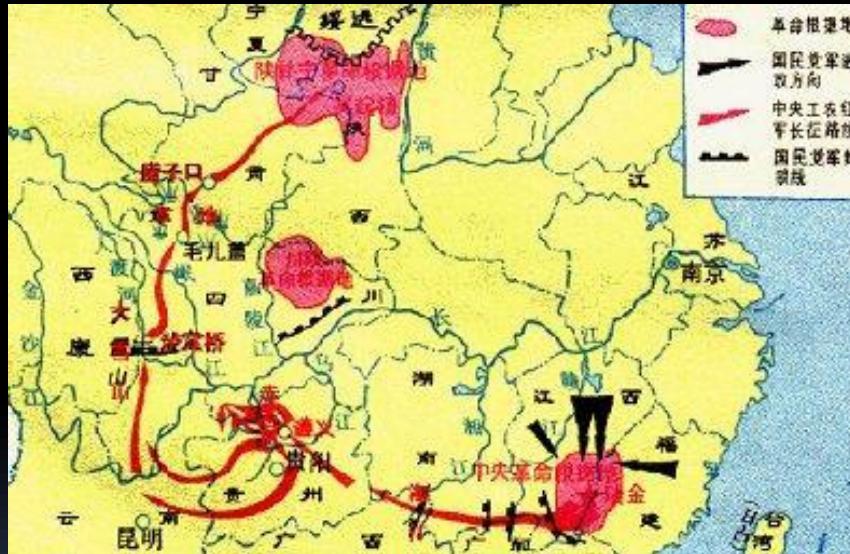
How Did I Get to the Future?

- Never!
- Grammar mistakes!



How Will I Get to the Future?

- Hard!
- The future is uncertain, my long march just starts



- I'll follow my heart, be confident, be persistent, and try all the best ...



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