Title: AI, FinTech and Big Data: Landscape and Applications

Abstract:

Finance is one of the mostly data-rich domains, smart FinTech has emerged as one of the most incredible and promising application areas of new-generation AI and data science. Financial businesses and data are diversified and challenging, posing significant practical scenarios for innovative AI and data science applications as well as profound challenges to AI and data science research. This talk briefly reviews the areas of smart FinTech, the landscape of classic to modern AI research in finance and data-driven analytics and learning for financial businesses, and discuss issues and opportunities of the existing AI research in finance. The talk further illustrates various shallow to deep analytics and learning methods for modeling asymmetric, tailed and dynamic high-dimensional cross-market couplings and dependencies and their applications in analyzing market pool manipulation, financial crisis, and portfolio investment. Brief discussion on the futures of AI in finance will conclude this talk.

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