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ACADEMIC POSITION

2017 - Present Owen Graduate School of Management, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN
Assistant Professor of Operations Management
2019 Awarded as Brownlee O. Currey Jr. Dean's Faculty Fellow

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Operations Management, Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University (2017)
– Empirical Operations Management (Committee: Jan A. Van Mieghem, Achal Bassamboo, Sunil Chopra, Gad Allon)
M.S. Statistics, Department of Statistics, University of California, Davis (2013)
– Prediction with Generalized Linear Mixed Model using Lasso (Advisor: Jiming Jiang)
B.S. Statistics, School of Management, Fudan University, China (2011)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Topic Expertise: Service System Design, Forecasting & Artificial Intelligence
Methodology Expertise: Structural Modeling, Causal Inference, Statistical Forecasting, Machine Learning, Text Mining and Stochastic Modeling

PUBLICATIONS

Research Method: * Structural Modeling, ** Causal Inference, *** Forecasting, Statistics & Machine Learning

Appeared/Forthcoming

Service System Design

1. “Understanding Customers’ Retrial in Call Centers: Preferences of Service Speed and Service Quality,” with Gad Allon and Achal Bassamboo. *Manufacturing & Service Operations Management* (2021) *Appeared Online*. *
2. “The Effect of Tightening Standards on Automakers’ Non-compliance,” with Sunil Chopra, and Yuche Chen. *Production and Operations Management* (2021) *Appeared Online*. **
3. “Caring for an Aging Population in a Post-Pandemic World: Emerging Trends in the U.S. Older Adult Care Industry,” with Lu Kong and Matthew Walsman. *Service Science* (2021) *Appeared Online*. ***

4. "Fostering Older Adult Care Experiences to Maximize Well-Being Outcomes: A Conceptual Framework," with Sertan Kabadayi, Yuna S.H. Lee, Lydia Hanks, Matthew Walsman, and David Dobrzykowski. *Journal of Service Management* 31, no. 5 (2020): 953-977.
5. "Equilibrium Fuel Supply and Carbon Credit Pricing under Market Competition and Environmental Regulations," with Yuche Chen. *Applied Energy* 236 (2019): 815-824.
6. "Technological Growth of Fuel Efficiency in European Automobile Market 1975–2015," with Yuche Chen. *Energy Policy* 98 (2016): 142-148. ***
7. "A Dynamic Programming Approach for Modeling Low-carbon Fuel Technology Adoption Considering Learning-by-doing Effect," with Yuche Chen, Yunteng Zhang, Yueyue Fan, and Jianyou Zhao. *Applied Energy* 185 (2017): 825-835.
8. "Strategic Choice of Open and Closed Platforms: Game Theory Analysis of Downstream Vendors' Behavior based on Demand and Cost Advantages," with Guangzhen Guo and Yulan Zhang. *China Industrial Economics* 3 (2017): 64-82.

Forecasting & Artificial Intelligence

9. "Forecasting Product Life Cycle Curves: Practical Approach and Empirical Analysis," with Jason Acimovic, Francisco Erize, Douglas J. Thomas, and Jan A. Van Mieghem. *Manufacturing & Service Operations Management* 21, no. 1 (2018): 66-85. ***
 - *Finalist in the 2017 M&SOM Practice-based Competition.*
10. "Product Life Cycle Data Set: Raw and Cleaned Data of Weekly Orders for Personal Computers," with Jason Acimovic, Francisco Erize, Douglas J. Thomas, and Jan A. Van Mieghem. *Manufacturing & Service Operations Management* 21, no. 1 (2018): 171-176. ***
11. "Best Predictive Generalized Linear Mixed Model with Predictive Lasso for High-speed Network Data Analysis," With Jaesik Choi, Alex Sim, and Jiming Jiang. *International Journal of Statistics and Probability* 4, no. 2 (2015): 132. ***
12. "Estimating and Forecasting Network Traffic Performance based on Statistical Patterns Observed in SNMP Data," with Alex Sim, Demetris Antoniadis, and Constantine Dovrolis. In *Proceedings of International Workshop on Machine Learning and Data Mining in Pattern Recognition*, pp. 601-615. Springer, Berlin, Heidelberg, 2013. ***
13. "Regional Reserves Growth Shows Decline in Annual Rate of Increase," with Gongming Yu and Yijun Wang. *Oil & Gas Journal* 114, no. 7 (2016): 40-44. ***

Under Review/Revision

Service System Design

14. "Delegation with Technology Migration: An Empirical Analysis of Mobile Virtual Network Operators," with Fan Zou, Yan Dong, and Sriram Venkataraman. Major Revision, *Management Science*. **

15. "Service Chains' Operational Strategies: Standardization or Customization? Evidence from the Nursing Home Industry," with Lu Kong and Rohit Verma. Major Revision, *Manufacturing & Service Operations Management*. **
16. "Analytics Applications and Strategies in the Restaurant Industry," with Xiande Zhao and Morgan Swink. Major Revision, *Production and Operations Management*.
17. "How Women Promote Greater Social Responsibility on Social Media," with Li Xiang and Huibin Du. Major Revision, *MIS Quarterly*. **
 - 2021 INFORMS Social Media Analytics Section Best Student Paper Award Finalist
18. "Promotional Design for Small Businesses: the Operational Value of Online Deals," with Simin Li and Martin Lariviere. Major Revision, *Management Science*. *
 - Finalist in the 2019 IBM Service Science Section Best Student Paper Competition
19. "To What Extent Do Workers' Preferences Matter?" with Zhenzhen Jia, Jianqiang Hu, and Vishal Ahuja. Resubmitted, *Management Science*. **
 - 2020 INFORMS Best Working Paper Award Behavioral OM — Runner Up
 - 2021 POMS College of Behavior OM Junior Scholar Paper — Honorable Mention
 - 2021 INFORMS Service Science Best Cluster Paper Award Finalist
20. "WeStore or AppStore: Customer Behavior Differences in Mobile Apps and Social Commerce," with Nil Karacaoglu. Under Review, *Production and Operations Management*. *
 - 2021 INFORMS TIMES Best Working Paper Award Third Place
21. "The Psychology of Virtual Queue: When Waiting Becomes Less Like Waiting," with Xun Xu and Leo Ao. Under Review, *Manufacturing & Service Operations Management*. **
22. "The Cardless and Cashless Future: the Rise of Mobile Payment," with Shuai Ling, and Sriram Venkataraman. Under Review, *Information Systems Research*. *

Working Papers

Service System Design

23. "The Acquisition Performance of Multi-unit Service Firms: Achieving Operational Synergy through Geographic Clustering," with Susan Lu and Lauren Lu. **
24. "The Good and Evil Inside: From Within-organization Features to the Social-orientation of Innovations," with Mark Cohen. **
25. "More or Less: How Information Richness Affects Our Choice Consistency," with Iris Wang. ***

Forecasting & Artificial Intelligence

26. "Prediction with Simultaneous Imputation: How to Generate Accurate Diagnosis with Information Missing," with Zhenzhen Jia and Qingchen Wang. ***
27. "Intermittent Demand Forecasting," with Feng Liu, Teng Lian, and Jianqiang Hu. ***

CASE STUDY

- Jointown Pharmaceutical Group Co Ltd, China (with Prof. Jianqiang Hu, Fudan University, China)
—Awarded as the National Top 100 MBA Case Studies, China, 2011

HONORS, AWARDS & CERTIFICATES

- Management Science Distinguished Service Award recipients for the 2020
- Vanderbilt Strong Faculty Grant, 2020
- Business of VU (Vanderbilt University) Certificate, 2020
- MIT Sloan + CSAIL Artificial Intelligence Certificate, 2020
- M&SOM Meritorious Service Award, 2020
- Brownlee O. Currey Jr. Dean's Faculty Fellow, 2019
- SEC Faculty Travel Grant, 2019
- Vanderbilt Junior Faculty Teaching Fellowship, 2018
- Graduate School Fellowship, Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University, 2013 - 2017
- Graduate School Fellowship, University of California, Davis, 2011 - 2013
- Junzheng Scholarship, Junzheng Foundation, 2010
- Wangdao Scholar Fellowship, Fudan University, 2010

INVITED INSTITUTIONAL TALKS

Academia

1. Michigan State University, U.S., 2021
2. University of Toronto, Canada, 2021
3. Purdue University, U.S., 2020
4. University of California, Davis, U.S., 2019
5. University of Pennsylvania, Wharton School, Empirical Workshop, U.S., 2019
6. Cornell University, Thought Leadership Forum, U.S., 2019
7. Zhejiang University, Empirical Workshop, China 2019
8. Ohio State University, Fisher School of Management, U.S., 2019
9. Fudan University, School of Management, China 2018
10. Texas A&M University, Mays Business School, U.S., 2018
11. Zhejiang University, School of Management, China, 2018
12. Tianjin University, College of Business Administration, China, 2018
13. CEIBS, China, 2018
14. London Business School, United Kingdom, 2017
15. Southern Methodist University, Cox School of Business, U.S., 2017
16. Oxford University, Said Business School, United Kingdom, 2017

17. Nanyang Technological University, Nanyang Business School, Singapore, 2017
18. Emory University, Goizueta Business School, U.S., 2017
19. Cornell University, SC Johnson College of Business, U.S., 2016
20. Peking University, Guanghua School of Management, China, 2016
21. HKUST Business School, China, 2016
22. Vanderbilt University, Owen Graduate School of Management, U.S., 2016
23. University of Hong Kong, Business School, China, 2016
24. Fudan University, School of Management, China, 2016
25. University of Notre Dame, Mendoza College of Business, U.S., 2016
26. University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Gies College of Business, U.S., 2016
27. City University of Hong Kong, College of Business, China, 2016
28. West Virginia University, College of Business and Economics, U.S., 2016
29. Oregon State University, College of Business, U.S., 2016

Industry

1. Marriott International: Multi-Channel Customer Relationship Management, U.S., 2017

MEDIA COVERAGE

1. *“Research Snapshot: COVID-19 is the disruptive moment the older adult care industry has been waiting for”* Vanderbilt News 2021. [Link](#)
2. *“New Research Identifies Service Frameworks to Improve Customer Service without Breaking the Bank”* Vanderbilt News 2021. [Link](#)
3. *“Tightening Vehicle Emissions Standards Resulted in Higher Rates of Automaker Non-Compliance”* Vanderbilt News 2021. [Link](#)
4. *“Launching New Tech? How Do You Make Data-driven Decisions Without Any Sales Data?”* Vanderbilt News 2018. [Link](#)
5. *“What Volkswagen’s Emissions Scandal Can Teach Us about Why Companies Cheat”* Kellogg Insights 2017. [Link](#)
6. *“How to Predict Demand for Your New Product”* Kellogg Insights 2017. [Link](#)
7. *“Empiricist Brings Skills with Big Data to Service Operations Research”* Vanderbilt Faculty Spotlight 2017. [Link](#)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, Owen School of Management, Vanderbilt University

- Management of Service Operations (MBA 2018-2020 Spring)
- Operations Management (Undergraduate 2019-2020 Spring)

Teaching Assistant, Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University

- Supply Chain Management (MBA 2014 Fall, 2015 Spring/Fall, 2016 Spring/Fall; EMBA Spring 2015)

- Operations Management (MBA 2015 Winter, 2015 Summer)
- Operations Strategy (MBA 2016 Spring)
- Foundations of Operations Management (Ph.D. 2015 Winter)
- Stochastic Foundations (Ph.D. 2015 Spring)

Discussion Lecturer, University of California, Davis

- Statistical Computing (Graduate 2013 Winter; Undergraduate 2012 Fall)
- Statistical Methods for Research with SAS (Graduate 2012-2013 Spring)
- Applied Statistics for Business and Economics (Senior Undergraduate 2012 Winter)
- Applied Statistics Methods: Nonparametric Statistics (Senior Undergraduate 2013 Winter)
- Applied Statistics Methods: Analysis of Variance (Junior Undergraduate 2012 Fall)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Academic Scholars, L'Oreal, China 2020 - Present
- Academic Scholars, Cornell Institute for Healthy Futures, U.S. 2017 - Present
- Researcher, Scientific Data Management, Lawrence Berkeley National Lab, Berkeley, U.S. 2012-2013
 - Project: Algorithm for Improving Efficiency of Data Transfer on High-speed Network
- Financial Trainee, Morgan Stanley, Sacramento, CA, U.S. 2012
 - Project: Optimal Timing Policy for Asset Trading and Allocation
- Supply Chain Investigator, Yiwu County Government — World's Largest Wholesale Market for Small Commodities, China, 2011
 - Project: Evaluation of Supply Chain Management of Yiwu Wholesale Market in Global Trading
- Research Intern in Supply Chain Management, Jointown Pharmaceutical Co Ltd, China 2010
 - Project: A Case Study on Jointown Pharmaceutical Group Co Ltd. Inventory Management System

SERVICE

Academic Field Level

- 2021-Present, Member Engagement Committee at POMS College of Service Operations
- 2017-Present, Reviewer for Journals (including *Management Science*, *Operations Research*, *Manufacturing & Service Operations Management*, *Production and Operations Management*, *Naval Research Logistics*, *Journal of Operations Management*, *Service Science*)
- 2019, Session Chair of Policy Intervention to Firms' Sustainability Actions, INFORMS
- 2019, Session Chair of Service Design in Platform Economy, INFORMS
- 2019, Panelist on Academic Job Search Panel, INFORMS
- 2019, Session Chair of Management Issues for Online Platforms, POMS

- 2019, Session Chair of Emerging Topics in Operations Management, POMS
- 2019, Session Chair of Multi-Channel Management, POMS
- 2019, Track Chair of Service Operations, POMS, managed 21 sessions
- 2018, Session Chair of Empirical Research for New Service Business, INFORMS
- 2018, Session Chair of Empirical Research in Sustainability, INFORMS
- 2018, Session Chair of Empirical Research in Service Operations, POMS
- 2018, Session Chair of Supply Chain Analytics, POMS
- 2017, Session Chair of Environmental Operations Management, POMS
- 2015, Session Chair of Green Manufacturing, INFORMS

University Level

Vanderbilt University

- 2018 - 2020, Faculty Member of Provost's WAVE Council — Family Friendly Policies Subcommittee
- 2019, Faculty Representative for Board of Trust - Strategic Session on Faculty Growth and Development
- 2018, Faculty Representative for “Lunch and Learn” with Chancellor Zeppos

School Level

Owen Graduate School of Management, Vanderbilt University

- 2020 - Present, Student Achievement Committee
- 2018 - Present, Faculty Advisor, Great Chinese Business Club
- 2019, Member of Student Achievement Committee
- 2019, Member of Faculty Hiring Committee of Operations Management and Quantitative Methods
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Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University

- 2014-2015, Marketing VP, Chinese Business Club
- 2014, Finance VP, Great China Business Conference