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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Applied probability, high-dimensional statistics, operation research, network science, information theory, queueing theory

## EDUCATION

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Ph.D. in Electrical and Computer Engineering Dec. 2014  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
Advisor: Prof. Bruce Hajek  
Dissertation: “Statistical inference in networks: Fundamental limits and efficient algorithms”

M.S. in Electrical and Computer Engineering May 2011  
The University of Texas at Austin  
Advisor: Prof. Jeffrey Andrews

B.E. in Electrical Engineering July 2009  
Tsinghua University

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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The Fuqua School of Business, Duke University  
*Associate Professor (Untenured)* July 2022 – Present

The Fuqua School of Business, Duke University  
*Assistant Professor* July 2018 – Present

Electrical and Computer Engineering (Secondary), Duke University  
*Assistant Professor* Jan. 2019 – Present

Simons Institute for the Theory of Computing, UC Berkeley  
*Visiting Scientist and Workshop Organizer*,  
Program “Computational Complexity of Statistical Inference” Aug. 2021 – Dec. 2021

Krannert School of Management, Purdue University  
*Assistant Professor* Aug. 2016 – June 2018

Simons Institute for the Theory of Computing, UC Berkeley  
*Research Fellow*, program “Counting Complexity & Phase Transitions” Jan. 2016 – May 2016

Statistics Department, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania  
*Post-Doctoral Fellow*, with Prof. Elchanan Mossel Jan. 2015 – Dec. 2015

Technicolor Research Laboratory, Paris, France  
*Research Intern*, with Dr. Laurent Massoulié and Dr. Marc Lelarge June 2012 – Sept. 2012

## AWARDS AND HONORS

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Excellence in Teaching Award, Master of Quantitative Management	2021
Markov Lecture Discussant, Applied Probability Society	2019
Distinguished Instructor, Krannert School of Management, Purdue University	2017
Simons-Berkeley Research Fellowship	2016
The Wharton Dean's Post-Doctoral Fellowship	2015
Outstanding Graduate Student Award, College of Engineering, UIUC	2014

## GRANTS

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1. National Science Foundation Career Award Aug. 2022- Aug. 2027  
 "Federated Learning: Statistical Optimality and Provable Security,"  
**PI**, (Total funding and my share \$632,842)
2. National Science Foundation Award (CCF-1856424) July 2019 - June 2023  
 "Learning in Networks: Performance Limits and Algorithms,"  
**co-PI**, with Bruce Hajek and Yihong Wu, (Total funding \$1.2M; my share \$435,369)
3. National Science Foundation Award (IIS-1932630) Oct. 2018 - Sept. 2021  
 "Mining for Patterns in Graphs and High-Dimensional Data: Achieving the Limits,"  
**co-PI**, with Cristopher Moore, (Total funding \$1.06M; my share \$345,168)
4. National Science Foundation Award (CCF-1850743) Aug. 2018 - Mar. 2021  
 "Learning Hidden Structures in Networks: Fundamental Limits and Efficient Algorithms,"  
**PI**, (Total funding and my share \$174,351)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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MQM 546Q: Modern Analytics (Master of Quantitative Management), Duke University	Fall 2023
Decision 611: Decision Models (Daytime MBA program), Duke University	Spring 2023
Decision 611W: Decision Models (Weekend Executive MBA program), Duke University	Summer 2022
Decision 521Q: Decision Analytics & Modeling (Master of Quantitative Management), Duke University	Spring 2019, 2020, 2021
BA990 & ECE 590: Statistical Inference on Graphs (Ph.D.), Duke University	Spring 2020, 2022
MGMT 472: Advanced Modeling & Simulation (Undergraduate), Purdue University	Fall 2017
MGMT 306: Management Science (Undergraduate), Purdue University	Spring, Fall 2017
MGMT 690: Topics in High-dimensional Data Analysis (Ph.D.), Purdue University	Fall 2016
ECE 313: Probability with Engineering Applications (Undergraduate), UIUC	Summer 2014

## PH.D. STUDENTS AND POST-DOCS

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Sophie Yu The Fuqua School of Business, Duke University Initial Placement: Assistant Professor at Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania	2018 – 2023
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Hanjing Zhu The Fuqua School of Business, Duke University Initial Placement: industry (Amazon)	2018 – 2023
Liren Yu (Co-advise with Prof. Xiaojun Lin), Electrical and Computer Engineering, Purdue University Initial Placement: industry (Huawei)	2018 – 2023
Zhiyi Tian Dissertation: “Clustering High-dimensional Noisy Categorical and Mixed Data” (co-advise with Prof. Jen Tang), Krannert School of Management, Purdue University Initial placement: industry (IQVIA)	2016 – 2021
Dana Yang, post-doc fellow Initial Placement: Assistant Professor at Department of Statistics and Data Science, Cornell University	2019 – 2021

## PREPRINTS

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1. I. Keskin, and J. Xu,  
“Learner-Private Convex Optimization with Bandit Feedback,”  
Preprint, March 2024
2. Leon Lufkin, Yihong Wu, and Jiaming Xu  
“Sharp Information-Theoretic Thresholds for Shuffled Linear Regression,”  
arXiv:2402.09693, January 2024
3. L. Su, M. Xiang, J. Xu, and P. Yang,  
“Federated Learning in the Presence of Adversarial Client Unavailability,”  
arXiv:2305.19971, Feb. 2024
4. J. Gaudio, C. Sandon, J. Xu, and D. Yang,  
“All-Something-Nothing Phase Transitions in Planted Subgraph Recovery,”  
Preprint, Dec. 2023
5. C. Mao, Y. Wu, J. Xu, and S. H. Yu,  
“Random graph matching at Otter’s threshold via counting chandeliers,”  
arXiv:2209.12313, submitted to *Operations Research*, Sept. 2023
6. Y. Wei, J. Xu, and S. H. Yu,  
“Constant regret primal-dual policy for multi-way dynamic matching,”  
SSRN Preprint, under revision, *Management Science*, Dec. 2023
7. L. Su, J. Xu, and P. Yang,  
“Global Convergence of Federated Learning for Mixed Regression,”  
arXiv:2206.07279, Under revision, *IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory*, Aug. 2023  
Short version appeared in *2022 Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*

## PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

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1. J. Xu and H. Zhu,  
“Overparametrized multi-layer neural networks: uniform concentration of neural tangent kernel and convergence of stochastic gradient descent,”  
accepted to *Journal of Machine Learning Research*, April 2024
2. Z. Tian, J. Xu, and J. Tang,  
“Clustering High-dimensional Noisy Categorical Data,”  
accepted to *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, December 2023

3. J. Ding, Y. Wu, J. Xu, and D. Yang,  
“The planted matching problem: Sharp threshold and infinite-order phase transition,”  
arXiv:2103.09383, *Probability Theory and Related Fields*, June 2023
4. C. Mao, Y. Wu, J. Xu, and S. H. Yu,  
“Testing network correlation efficiently via counting trees,”  
arXiv:2110.11816, To appear in *Annals of Statistics*
5. L. Su, J. Xu, and P. Yang,  
“A non-parametric view of FedAvg and FedProx: beyond stationary points,”  
arXiv:2106.15216, accepted to *Journal of Machine Learning Research*
6. J. Xu, K. Xu, and D. Yang,  
“Learner-private online convex optimization,”  
arXiv:2102.11976, Jan. 2023, *IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory*  
Short version appeared in *2021 International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)*
7. Z. Fan, C. Mao, Y. Wu, and J. Xu,  
“Spectral graph matching and regularized quadratic Relaxations I: The Gaussian model,”  
arXiv:1907.08880 *Foundations of Computational Mathematics*, June 2022  
Short version appeared in *2020 International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)*
8. Z. Fan, C. Mao, Y. Wu, and J. Xu,  
“Spectral graph matching and regularized quadratic relaxations II: Erdős-Rényi graphs and universality,”  
arXiv:1907.08883 *Foundations of Computational Mathematics*, June 2022
9. Y. Wu, J. Xu, and S. H. Yu,  
“Settling the Sharp Reconstruction Thresholds of Random Graph Matching,”  
arXiv:2102.00082, *IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory*, vol. 68, no. 8, pp. 5391 - 5417, August 2022  
Short version appeared in *2021 International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT)*
10. Y. Wu, J. Xu, and S. H. Yu,  
“Testing correlation of unlabelled random graphs,”  
arXiv:2008.10097, *The Annals of Applied Probability*, vol. 33, no. 4, pp. 2519–2558, 2023.
11. W. Hsu, J. Xu, X. Lin, and M. Bell,  
“Integrate learning and control in queueing systems with uncertain payoffs,”  
*Operations Research*, vol. 70, no. 2, pp. 1166–1181, 2022
12. G. Reeves, J. Xu, and I. Zadik,  
“The all-or-nothing phenomenon in sparse linear regression,”  
*Mathematical Statistics and Learning*, vol. 3, no. 3, pp. 259–313, Dec. 2021  
Short version appeared in *2019 Conference on Learning Theory (COLT)*
13. M. Moharrami, C. Moore, and J. Xu,  
“The planted matching problem: Phase transitions and exact results,”  
*The Annals of Applied Probability*, vol. 31, no. 6, pp. 2663–2720, Dec. 2021
14. L. Yu, J. Xu, and X. Lin,  
“Graph Matching with Partially-Correct Seeds,”  
*Journal of Machine Learning Research*, Vol. 22, no. 280, pp. 1–54, 2021
15. J. Ding, Y. Wu, J. Xu, and D. Yang,  
“Consistent recovery threshold of hidden nearest neighbor graphs,”  
*IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory*, vol. 67, no. 8, pp. 5211–5229, Aug. 2021.  
Short version appeared in *2020 Conference on Learning Theory (COLT)*
16. J. Ding, Z. Ma, Y. Wu, and J. Xu,

- “Efficient random graph matching via degree profiles,”  
*Probability Theory and Related Fields*, vol. 179, no. 1, pp. 29–115, Feb. 2021
17. L. Yu, J. Xu, and X. Lin,  
“The Power of D-hops in Matching Power-Law Graphs,”  
*Proc. of the ACM on Measurement and Analysis of Computing Systems*, Vol. 5, no. 2, pp. 1–43,  
June 2021
  18. J. Xu and Y. Zhong,  
“Improved queue-size scaling for input-queued switches via graph factorization,”  
*Journal of Applied Probability*, vol. 52, no. 3, pp. 798–824, Sept. 2020  
Short version appeared in *2019 ACM SIGMETRICS*
  19. E. Mossel and J. Xu,  
“Seeded graph matching via large neighborhood statistics,”  
*Random Structures & Algorithms*, vol. 57, no. 3, pp. 570–611, June 2020  
Short version appeared in *2019 ACM-SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms (SODA)*
  20. X. Li, Y. Chen, and J. Xu,  
“Convex relaxation methods for community detection,”  
*Statistical Science*, vol. 36, no. 1, pp. 2–15, 2021
  21. V. Bagaria, J. Ding, D. Tse, Y. Wu, and J. Xu,  
“Hidden Hamiltonian cycle recovery via linear programming,”  
*Operations Research*, vol. 68, no. 1, Jan. 2020
  22. L. Su and J. Xu,  
“Securing distributed machine learning in high Dimensions,”  
*Proc. of the ACM on Measurement and Analysis of Computing Systems*, vol. 3, no. 1, Mar. 2019
  23. J. Banks, C. Moore, N. Verzelen, R. Vershynin, and J. Xu,  
“Information-theoretic bounds and phase transitions in clustering, sparse PCA, and submatrix  
localization,”  
*IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory*, vol. 67, no. 7, pp. 4872–4894, July 2018  
Short version appeared in *2017 IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT)*
  24. B. Hajek, Y. Wu, and J. Xu,  
“Recovering a hidden community beyond the Kesten-Stigum threshold in  $O(|E| \log^* |V|)$  time,”  
*Journal of Applied Probability*, vol. 55, no. 2, pp. 325–352, June 2018
  25. S. Negahban, S. Oh, K. Thekumparampil, and J. Xu,  
“Learning from comparisons and choices,”  
*Journal of Machine Learning Research*, 2018
  26. Y. Chen, X. Li, and J. Xu,  
“Convexified modularity maximization for degree-corrected stochastic block models,”  
*The Annals of Statistics*, vol. 46, no. 4, pp. 1573–1602, June 2018
  27. B. Hajek, Y. Wu, and J. Xu,  
“Submatrix localization via message passing,”  
*The Journal of Machine Learning Research*, vol. 18, no. 186, pp. 1–52, Apr. 2018
  28. Y. Chen, L. Su, and J. Xu,  
“Distributed statistical machine learning in adversarial settings: Byzantine gradient descent,”  
*Proc. of the ACM on Measurement and Analysis of Computing Systems*, vol. 1, no. 2, Dec. 2017
  29. B. Hajek, Y. Wu, and J. Xu,  
“Information limits for recovering a hidden community,”

- IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory*, vol. 63, pp. 4729–4745, Aug. 2017  
Short version appeared in *2016 IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT)*
30. B. Hajek, Y. Wu, and J. Xu,  
“Achieving exact cluster recovery threshold via semidefinite programming: Extensions,”  
*IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory*, vol. 62, pp. 5918–5937, Oct. 2016
  31. B. Hajek, Y. Wu, and J. Xu,  
“Achieving exact cluster recovery threshold via semidefinite programming,”  
*IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory*, vol. 62, pp. 2788–2797, May 2016  
Short version appeared in *2015 IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT)*
  32. M. Lelarge, L. Massoulié, and J. Xu,  
“Reconstruction in the labeled stochastic block model,”  
*IEEE Transactions on Network Science and Engineering*, vol. 2, pp. 152–163, Oct. 2015  
Short version appeared in *2013 IEEE Information Theory Workshop (ITW)*
  33. Y. Chen and J. Xu,  
“Statistical-computational tradeoffs in planted problems and submatrix localization with a growing number of clusters and submatrices,”  
*The Journal of Machine Learning Research*, vol. 17, no. 1, pp. 882–938, 2016  
Short version appeared in *2014 International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)*
  34. J. Xu and B. Hajek,  
“The supermarket game,”  
*Stochastic Systems*, no. 3, pp. 405–441, 2013  
Short version appeared in *2012 IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT)*
  35. J. Xu, J. Andrews, and S. Jafar,  
“MISO broadcast channels with delayed finite-rate feedback: Predict or observe?,”  
*IEEE Trans. Wireless Commun.*, vol. 11, pp. 1456–1467, Apr. 2012  
Short version appeared in *2011 Allerton Conference on Communication, Control, and Computing*
  36. J. Xu, J. Zhang, and J. Andrews,  
“On the accuracy of the Wyner model in cellular networks,”  
*IEEE Trans. Wireless Commun.*, vol. 10, pp. 3098–3109, Sept. 2011  
Short versions appeared in *2011 IEEE International Conference on Communications (ICC)* and  
*2010 IEEE Global Telecommunications Conference (GLOBECOM)*

## PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

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1. L. Yu, J. Xu, and X. Lin,  
“SeedGNN: Graph Neural Networks for Supervised Seeded Graph Matching,”  
arXiv:2205.13679, *The International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)*, July 2023
2. C. Mao, Y. Wu, J. Xu, and S. H. Yu,  
“Random graph matching at Otter’s threshold via counting chandeliers,”  
arXiv:2209.12313, *2023 ACM Symposium on Theory of Computing (STOC)*, June 2023.
3. Y. Wei, J. Xu, and S. H. Yu,  
“Constant regret primal-dual policy for multi-way dynamic matching,”  
SSRN.4357216, *ACM SIGMETRICS*, June 2023
4. L. Su, J. Xu, and P. Yang,  
“Global Convergence of Federated Learning for Mixed Regression,”  
arXiv:2206.07279, *2022 Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, December 2022.

5. H. Wang, Y. Wu, J. Xu, and I. Yelou,  
 "Random graph matching in geometric models: the case of complete graphs"  
 arXiv:2202.10662, in *Proceedings of Conference on Learning Theory (COLT)*, July 2022
6. J. Xu and H. Zhu,  
 "One-pass stochastic gradient descent in overparametrized two-layer neural networks,"  
*2021 International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS)*
7. J. Xu, K. Xu, and D. Yang,  
 "Optimal query complexity for private sequential learning,"  
*2021 International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS)*,
8. J. Xu,  
 "Rates of convergence of spectral methods for graphon estimation,"  
 in *Proceedings of International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)*, July 2018
9. F. Krzakala, J. Xu, and L. Zdeborová,  
 "Mutual information in rank-one matrix estimation,"  
 in *Proceedings of IEEE Information Theory Workshop (ITW)*, Sept. 2016
10. B. Hajek, Y. Wu, and J. Xu,  
 "Semidefinite programs for exact recovery of a hidden community,"  
 in *Proceedings of Conference on Learning Theory (COLT)*, June 2016
11. E. Mossel and J. Xu,  
 "Density evolution in the degree-correlated stochastic block model,"  
 in *Proceedings of Conference on Learning Theory (COLT)*, June 2016
12. E. Mossel and J. Xu,  
 "Local algorithms for block models with side information,"  
 in *Proceedings of Innovations in Theoretical Computer Science (ITCS)*, Jan. 2016
13. S. Oh, K. K. Thekumparampil, and J. Xu,  
 "Collaboratively learning preferences from ordinal data,"  
 in *Proceedings of Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, Dec. 2015
14. B. Hajek, Y. Wu, and J. Xu,  
 "Computational lower bounds for community detection on random graphs,"  
 in *Proceedings of Conference on Learning Theory (COLT)*, June 2015
15. R. Wu, J. Xu, R. Srikant, L. Massoulié, M. Lelarge, and B. Hajek,  
 "Clustering and inference from pairwise comparisons,"  
 in *Proceedings of ACM SIGMETRICS*, short paper, June 2015
16. B. Hajek, S. Oh, and J. Xu,  
 "Minimax-optimal inference from partial rankings,"  
 in *Proceedings of Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, Dec. 2014
17. J. Xu, R. Wu, K. Zhu, B. Hajek, R. Srikant, and L. Ying,  
 "Jointly clustering rows and columns of binary matrices: Algorithms and trade-offs,"  
 in *Proceedings of ACM SIGMETRICS*, June 2014
18. J. Xu, L. Massoulié, and M. Lelarge,  
 "Edge label inference in generalized stochastic block models: from spectral theory to impossibility results,"  
 in *Proceedings of Conference on Learning Theory (COLT)*, June 2014

1. B. Hajek, Y. Wu, and J. Xu,  
“Achieving exact cluster recovery threshold via semidefinite programming under the stochastic block model,”  
in *Proceedings of Asilomar Conference on Signals, Systems, and Computers*, Nov. 2015
2. B. Hajek, Y. Wu, and J. Xu,  
“Exact recovery threshold in the binary censored block model,”  
in *Proceedings of IEEE Information Theory Workshop (ITW)*, Oct. 2015

## LECTURE NOTES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

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1. Y. Wu and J. Xu,  
“Statistical inference on graphs: Selected topics”  
<https://people.duke.edu/~jx77/stats-graphs.pdf>
2. Y. Wu and J. Xu,  
“Statistical problems with planted structures: Information-theoretical and computational limits,”  
*Information-theoretic Methods in Data Science*, Cambridge University Press, March 2021

## INVITED SEMINARS

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- Georgia Tech, Artificial Intelligence Institute for Advances in Optimization, Apr. 2023
- North Carolina State University, Statistics Department, Oct. 2022
- Stanford Virtual Group Meeting, Sept. 2022
- LU-NU-UMN Joint Probability Seminar, Jan. 2022
- Duke University, Department of Computer Science, Nov. 2021
- Northwestern University, Industrial Engineering and Management Sciences, Oct. 2021
- UC Berkeley, Simons Institute of Theory of Computing, Oct. 2021
- Harvard University, Statistics and School of Engineering and Applied Sciences, June 2021
- UC Berkeley, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, May 2021
- Stochastic Networks, Applied Probability, and Performance (SNAPP) Seminar, Mar. 2021
- Boston University, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Mar. 2020
- The University of Chicago, Booth Business School, Feb. 2020
- Yale University, Electrical Engineering, Feb. 2020
- Stanford University, Electrical Engineering, Nov. 2019
- UC Berkeley, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Oct. 2019
- Duke University, Department of Mathematics, Oct. 2019
- MIT, Workshop on Graphical models, Exchangeable models and Graphons, Aug. 2019
- University of Pennsylvania, Wharton Statistics Department, Apr. 2019
- Duke University, Department of Computer Science, Oct. 2018
- Chinese Academy of Sciences, Oct. 2018
- Peking University, School of Mathematics, Oct. 2018
- University of Illinois at Chicago, Business School, Mar. 2019



- Georgia Tech, H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering, Mar. 2019
- The University of Chicago, Booth School of Business, Feb. 2018
- Duke University, The Fuqua School of Business, Feb. 2018
- Duke University, The Fuqua School of Business, Dec. 2017
- Cornell University, School of Operations Research and Information Engineering, Nov. 2017
- Purdue University, Krannert School of Management, Feb. 2017
- Yale University, Department of Statistics and Data Science, Oct. 2016
- Purdue University, Industrial Engineering Department, Sept. 2016
- Stanford University, Graduate School of Business, Apr. 2016
- UC Berkeley, Simons Institute of Theory of Computing, Apr. 2016
- Santa Fe Institute, June 2016
- Purdue University, Statistics Department, Sept. 2016
- Purdue University, Krannert School of Management, Jan. 2016
- University of Michigan, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Feb. 2016
- Princeton University, Electrical Engineering, Feb. 2016
- Imperial College London, Business School, Dec. 2015
- Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology, School of Electrical Engineering, Oct. 2015
- Princeton University, Program in Applied and Computational Mathematics, Apr. 2015
- Harvard University, Electrical Engineering, Jan. 2015
- UC Berkeley, Department of Statistics, Oct. 2014
- Stanford University, Department of Electrical Engineering, Sept. 2014
- University of Pennsylvania, Wharton Statistics Department, Aug. 2014
- UIUC, Department of Computer Science, Mar. 2014
- UIUC, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Nov. 2013
- Technicolor Paris Research Lab, June 2012

## SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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1. *All-Something-Nothing phase transition in planted subgraph recovery problems*
  - INFORMS Annual Meeting, Phoenix, Oct. 2023
  - Allerton Conference on Communication, Control, and Computing, Monticello, Sept. 2023
2. *Random graph matching at Otter's threshold via counting chandeliers*
  - International Chinese Statistical Association Conference, Hong Kong, July 2023
3. *Towards a mathematical foundation of federated learning: a statistical perspective*
  - International Indian Statistical Association Conference, Golden City, June 2023
4. *Global convergence of federated learning for mixed regression*

- Allerton Conference on Communication, Control, and Computing, Monticello, Sept. 2022
- 5. *Random graph matching in geometric models: the case of complete graphs*
  - Applied Probability Society Conference 2023
  - Canadian Workshop on Information Theory (CWIT) 2022
- 6. *Testing network correlation efficiently via counting trees*
  - Joint Statistical Meeting, Aug. 2022
  - Annual Conference on Information Sciences and Systems, Mar. 2022
- 7. *Testing correlations of unlabelled random graphs*
  - The ICSA Applied Statistics Symposium, Sept. 2021
  - Joint Statistical Meeting, Aug. 2021
  - Computational and Methodological Statistics Conference, Dec. 2020
  - Simons Institute Workshop: Computational Phase Transitions, Sept. 2020
- 8. *Spectral graph matching and regularized quadratic relaxations*
  - Information Systems Laboratory Colloquium, Stanford, Nov. 2019
  - Applied Probability Society Markov Lecture Discussant, Seattle, Oct. 2019
  - Berkeley Laboratory for Information and System Sciences Seminar, UC Berkeley, Oct. 2019
  - Probability Seminar, Department of Mathematics, Duke University, Oct. 2019
  - Workshop on Graphical models, Exchangeable models and Graphons, MIT, Aug. 2019
- 9. *Efficient random graph matching via degree profiles*
  - Applied Probability Society Meeting, Brisbane, Austria, July 2019
- 10. *Improved queue-size scaling for input-queued switches via graph factorization*
  - MostlyOM Workshop, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen, June 2019
- 11. *Efficient graph matching via neighborhood statistics*
  - International workshop on Physics, Inference and Learning, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Oct. 2018
  - School of Mathematics, Peking University, Oct. 2018
  - Allerton Conference on Communication, Control, and Computing, Monticello, Oct. 2018
- 12. *Achieving exact recovery threshold of traveling salesman problems via linear programming: Applications to DNA sequencing*
  - Information and Decision Sciences Seminar, Business School, University of Illinois at Chicago, Mar. 2019
  - Statistics Seminar, ISyE, GeorgiaTech, Mar. 2019
  - IMS Annual Meeting on Probability and Statistics, July 2018
  - 2018 ShanghaiTech Workshop on Information, Learning and Decision, June 2018
  - Workshop on Limits to Inference in Networks and Noisy Data, Santa Fe Institute, Apr. 2018
  - Booth School of Business, The University of Chicago, Feb. 2018

- Workshop in Operations Research and Data Science, Duke University, Dec. 2017
  - School of Operations Research and Information Engineering, Cornell University, Nov. 2017
  - Allerton Conference on Communication, Control, and Computing, Monticello, Oct. 2017
13. *DNA seriation under planted Hamiltonian path model*
- Joint Statistical Meeting, Baltimore, Aug. 2017
  - Simons Institute at UC Berkeley, June 2017
  - Industrial Engineering Department, Purdue University, Mar. 2017
  - Workshop on Statistical Physics, Learning, Inference and Networks, Les Houches, France, Feb. 2017
  - Information Theory and Applications Workshop (ITA), Feb. 2017
14. *Semidefinite programming relaxations for recovering hidden communities*
- Applied Probability Society Meeting, July 2017
  - Fudan International Conference on Data Science, Dec. 2016
  - INFORMS Annual Meeting, Nashville, Nov. 2016
  - Industrial Engineering Department, Purdue University, Sept. 2016
  - Statistics Department, Purdue University, Sept. 2016
  - Sante Fe Institute, June 2016
15. Community detection in networks: Algorithms, complexity, and information limits
- HajekFest: A Workshop on Networks, Games, and Algorithms, UIUC, Oct. 2015
  - Graduation-Day Talks, Information Theory and Applications Workshop (ITA), Feb. 2015

## ACADEMIC SERVICE

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- Co-organizer, CMO Workshop on “Learning in Networks: Performance Limits and Algorithms,” Banff International Research Station, Oaxaca, Mexico, Nov. 2022
- Co-organizer, Operations Research and Data Science Workshop, Duke University, 2019, 2022, 2023
- Co-organizer, Simons Institute Workshop on “Algorithmic Advances for Statistical Inference with Combinatorial Structure,” UC Berkeley, Oct. 2021
- Organizing Committee Member, 2020 ACM International Conference on Measurement and Modeling of Computer Systems (SIGMETRICS)
- Co-organizer, Conference on Data Science for Business and Economics, Purdue University, May 2018
- Judge, 2023 INFORMS JFIG (Junior Faculty Forum) Paper Competition
- Judge, 2023, 2022 George Nicholson Student Paper Competition Committee
- Judge, 2022, 2021 Applied Probability Society Student Paper Competition
- Program Committee Member
  - 2024, 2023, 2022 Conference on Learning Theory

- 2021 International Symposium on Computer Performance, Modeling, Measurements and Evaluation (IFIP)
- 2021 Reinforcement Learning in Networks and Queues Workshop
- 2020, 2019, 2018 ACM International Conference on Measurement and Modeling of Computer Systems (SIGMETRICS)
- 2017 International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics
- Session Organizer and Chair
  - 2022, 2021, 2017, 2016 INFORMS Annual Meeting
  - 2023, 2022, 2019 Allerton Conference on Communication, Control, and Computing

## EDITORIAL ACTIVITIES

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- Co-guest editor, special issue on “Learning and Control in Stochastic Networks” for *Queueing Systems: Theory and Applications (QUESTA)*
- Reviewer:
  - Journals: *Operations Research, Management Science, Stochastic Systems, Mathematics of Operations Research, Mathematical Programming, Queueing Systems, The Annals of Statistics, Journal of the American Statistical Association, Probability Theory and Related Fields, The Annals of Applied Probability, Journal of Machine Learning Research, Bernoulli, Information and Inference, IEEE Transactions on Information Theory, IEEE Transactions on Network Science and Engineering, IEEE Transactions on Wireless Communications, IEEE J. Sel. Areas Commun., Journal of Selected Topics in Signal Processing*
  - Conferences: *ACM International Conference on Measurement and Modeling of Computer Systems (SIGMETRICS), International Symposium on Computer Performance, Modeling, Measurements and Evaluation (IFIP), Conference on Learning Theory (COLT), ACM Symposium on Theory of Computing (STOC), IEEE Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science (FOCS), ACM-SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms (SODA), IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT), Neural Information Processing Systems annual meeting (NeurIPS), International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS)*

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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- Thesis Committee member:
  - Sophie H. Yu, The Fuqua School of Business, Duke University
  - Hanjing Zhu, The Fuqua School of Business, Duke University
  - Fei Fang, The Fuqua School of Business, Duke University
  - Chen-An Lin, The Fuqua School of Business, Duke University
  - Xiang Wang, Computer Science, Duke University
  - Liren Yu, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Purdue University
  - Zhiyi Tian, Krannert School of Management, Purdue University
- University services:
  - Faculty lead for Data+ project “Detecting and Matching Similar Networks,” Rhodes Information Initiative, Duke University, 2021

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