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RESEARCH INTERESTS	mechanism design, information design, microeconomic theory, Algorithmic game theory, online algorithms	
EMPLOYMENT	Assistant Professor in Economics, National University of Singapore	2024 -
	Postdoc Associates, Cowles Foundation for Research in Economics and Department of Computer Science, Yale University	2022 - 2024
	Research Intern, Microsoft Research	Jun to Aug 2020, 2021
EDUCATION	Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, USA	June 2022
	Ph.D., Computer Science Advisor: Jason D. Hartline	
	Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY, USA	May 2018
	M.S., Computer Science	
	Shanghai Jiaotong University, Shanghai, China	June 2015
	B.S., Major: Computer Science, Minor: Robotics (IEEE honor class)	
AWARDS	Northwestern Terminal Year Fellowship	2021
WORKING PAPERS	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Algorithmic Information Disclosure in Optimal Auctions. <i>with Yang Cai and Jinzhao Wu</i>2. Optimal Scoring for Dynamic Information Acquisition. <i>with Jonathan Libgober</i>3. Managing Persuasion Robustly: The Optimality of Quota Rules. <i>with Dirk Bergemann and Tan Gan</i>4. Screening Signal-Manipulating Agents via Contests. <i>with Xiaoyun Qiu</i>5. Simple Mechanisms for Agents with Non-linear Utilities. <i>with Yiding Feng and Jason Hartline</i>6. Optimal Mechanism Design with Endogenous Principal Learning. <i>with Daniel Clark</i>7. Scale-robust Auctions. <i>with Jason Hartline and Aleck Johnsen</i>8. Test Design without Commitment. <i>with Boli Xu</i>9. Incentivizing Participation in Clinical Trials. <i>with Alex Slivkins</i>10. Misspecified Beliefs about Time Lags. <i>with Harry Pei</i>	

JOURNAL
PUBLICATIONS

1. Your College Dorm and Dormmates: Fair Resource Sharing with Externalities.
with Jiarui Gan and Bo Li, Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research 2023
2. Nearly Minimax-Optimal Regret for Linearly Parameterized Bandits.
with Yining Wang and Yuan Zhou, Transactions on Information Theory 2023
3. Bayesian Auctions with Efficient Queries.
with Jing Chen, Bo Li and Pinyan Lu, Artificial Intelligence 2022
4. Equilibrium Behaviors in Repeated Games.
with Harry Pei, Journal of Economic Theory 2021
5. Efficient Approximations for the Online Dispersion Problem.
with Jing Chen and Bo Li, SIAM Journal on Computing 2019

CONFERENCE
PUBLICATIONS

1. Revenue Maximization for Buyers with Costly Participation.
with Yannai Gonczarowski, Nicole Immorlica and Brendan Lucier, SODA¹ 2024
2. Optimal Scoring Rules for Multi-dimensional Effort.
with Jason Hartline, Liren Shan and Yifan Wu, COLT² 2023
3. Bayesian Analysis of Linear Contracts.
with Tal Alon, Paul Dütting and Inbal Talgam-Cohen, EC³ 2023
4. Making Auctions Robust to Aftermarkets.
with Moshe Babaioff, Nicole Immorlica and Brendan Lucier, ITCS⁴ 2023
5. Budget Pacing in Repeated Auctions: Regret and Efficiency without Convergence.
with Jason Gaitonde, Bar Light, Brendan Lucier and Alex Slivkins, ITCS 2023
6. Simple Mechanisms for Non-linear Agents.
with Yiding Feng and Jason Hartline, SODA 2023
7. Selling Data to an Agent with Endogenous Information. EC 2022
8. Optimization of Scoring Rules.
with Jason Hartline, Liren Shan and Yifan Wu, EC 2022
9. Almost Proportional Allocations for Indivisible Chores.
with Bo Li and Xiaowei Wu, WebConf⁵ 2022
10. Revelation Gap for Pricing from Samples.
with Yiding Feng and Jason Hartline, STOC⁶ 2021
11. Tight Regret Bounds for Infinite-armed Linear Contextual Bandits.
with Yining Wang, Xi Chen and Yuan Zhou, AISTATS⁷ 2021

¹ACM-SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms

²Conference on Learning Theory

³ACM Conference on Economics and Computation

⁴Innovations in Theoretical Computer Science

⁵The Web Conference

⁶ACM Symposium on Theory of Computing

⁷International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics

12. Benchmark Design and Prior-independent Optimization.
with Jason Hartline and Aleck Johnsen, FOCS⁸ 2020
13. Multinomial Logit Bandit with Low Switching Cost.
with Kefan Dong, Qin Zhang and Yuan Zhou, ICML⁹ 2020
14. Fair Resource Sharing and Dorm Assignments.
with Bo Li, AAMAS¹⁰ 2020
15. Approximately Maximizing the Broker's Profit in a Two-sided Market.
with Jing Chen and Bo Li, IJCAI¹¹ 2019
16. Optimal Auctions vs. Anonymous Pricing: Beyond Linear Utility.
with Yiding Feng and Jason Hartline, EC 2019
17. Nearly Minimax-Optimal Regret for Linearly Parameterized Bandits.
with Yining Wang and Yuan Zhou, COLT 2019
18. Revenue Maximization with Imprecise Distribution.
with Pinyan Lu and Haoran Ye, AAMAS 2019
19. Information Elicitation for Bayesian Auctions.
with Jing Chen and Bo Li, SAGT¹² 2018
20. Dynamic Fair Division Problem with General Valuations.
with Bo Li and Wenyang Li, IJCAI 2018
21. Bayesian Auctions with Efficient Queries (Brief Announcement).
with Jing Chen, Bo Li and Pinyan Lu, ICALP¹³ 2018
22. Efficient Approximations for the Online Dispersion Problem.
with Jing Chen and Bo Li, ICALP 2017

ACADEMIC
SERVICE

Workflow Chair: EC 2024

Program Committee

- EC 2024, WINE¹⁴ 2023, EC 2023, WebConf 2023, WINE 2022

Journal Reviewer

- American Economic Review: Insight, Journal of Economic Theory, Journal of the ACM, SIAM Journal on Computing, Games and Economic Behavior, Mathematics of Operations Research, Transactions on Information Theory, Transactions on Economics and Computation, Economic Theory

Conference Reviewer

- STOC, SODA, EC, ICALP, ICML, ITCS, KDD, AISTATS, ESA, WebConf, WINE, COCOA

⁸IEEE Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science

⁹International Conference on Machine Learning

¹⁰International Conference on Autonomous Agents and Multiagent Systems

¹¹International Joint Conferences on Artificial Intelligence

¹²International Symposium on Algorithmic Game Theory

¹³EATCS International Colloquium on Automata, Languages and Programming

¹⁴Conference on Web and Internet Economics

TEACHING
EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant - Northwestern University

COMP_SCI 396 - Online Markets	Spring 2020
COMP_SCI 336 - Design & Analysis of Algorithms	Fall 2019
COMP_SCI 212 - Mathematical Foundations of Computer Science	Spring 2019

Teaching Assistant - Stony Brook University

CSE 215 - Foundations of Computer Science	Fall 2015, Spring 2016
CSE 114 - Computer Science I	Spring 2016
CSE 540 - Theory of Computation	Fall 2016