

# Kuo Liang

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Supply Chain Management; Revenue Management; Large-scale Mixed-Integer Programming Algorithm

## EDUCATION

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**Shanghai University of Finance and Economics,** Sep. 2022— June 2025  
*Master's Degree in Management Science and Engineering* (**Rank: 1/71**) 3.98/4.00

- Relevant Coursework: Advanced Operations Research and Optimization Theory (97), Stochastic Models (95), Operations Management (93), Revenue Management (92), Market Mechanism Design (94), Online Learning (92)

**Shanghai University of Finance and Economics,** Sep 2018— June 2022  
*Bachelor's Degree in Information Management and Information System (Outstanding Graduate)*

- Relevant Coursework: Information System Analysis and Design (90); Decision Simulation (91)

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**Research Assistant** Cornell University  
*Supervisor: Ruihao Zhu* July 2024 — Present

- Explored new directions for integrating large language models (LLMs) with operations management. Conducted an in-depth review of relevant literature and developed a comprehensive model library.
- Predicted the label of a random covariate by online non-parametric regression model. Conducted a detailed case study to validate the model's effectiveness and robustness.

**Teaching Assistant** Shanghai University of Finance and Economics  
*Course: Linear and Non-linear Programming* September 2023 — December 2023

- Prepared after-class home-works and programming projects. Attended weekly TA classes and provided students with detailed feedback and guidance to help them understand complex concepts.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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**A Decomposition Framework for Customized Supply-Chain Decisions**  
*Supervisor: Zizhuo Wang (Submitted to MSOM Practice-Based Competition)* March 2023 — Present

- Formulated a third-party logistics company's integrated decision problem as a multi-period mixed-integer program with the objective to minimize total costs under complex coupling constraints.
- Proposed a large-scale acceleration framework incorporating column generation combined with sweeping, column selection techniques and distributed algorithm for the linear relaxation problem.
- Designed a specific rounding algorithm to recover the integer optimal solution. Guaranteed a near-optimal solution within a 1% optimality gap and increased solution speed by 70% compared to the benchmark on both synthetic and real-world datasets.

**Joint Acceptance and Fulfillment Policy in an Omni-channel Environment**  
*Supervisor: Chaolin Yang (Working Paper)* December 2023 — July 2024

- Proposed a two-stage stochastic decision framework including online acceptance and fulfillment for the omni-channel retailer based on the "buy-online ship-from-store" pattern.

- Derived threshold policies for accepting orders and replenishment in a single-item single-period multi-store setting. Provide theoretical guarantees including quasi-convexity and super-modular properties.
- Employed the IPA algorithm and utilized the dual information to obtain the  $\epsilon$ -optimal threshold solution within  $\text{poly}(\frac{1}{\epsilon})$  steps in a multi-item setting.

### **End-to-End Algorithm Implementation for the Full-Link Intelligent Supply Chain.**

*Supervisor: Dongdong Ge (Outstanding Graduation Thesis)*

October 2021 — September 2022

- Implemented end-to-end innovative optimization algorithms to solve the demand prediction, inventory management, and replenishment planning in supply chain management.
- Developed a multivariate hierarchical time-series structure and MES\_LSTM model for seasonal goods demand forecasts, achieving 72% to 97% prediction accuracy and a 10% reduction in RMSE.
- Designed the customized service level resulting in a 16% reduction in safety stock levels and simulated for soft constraint penalties to gain management insights.

### **Acceleration Algorithms for Cardinality Constrained Portfolio Optimization**

*Supervisor: Dongdong Ge*

September 2020 — August 2021

- Solved the cardinality-constrained mean-variance portfolio optimization problem, which was generally NP-hard. Proposed several heuristic methods, namely, the continuous-relaxation based method the  $l_1$ -norm based solution, the integer programming based solution and the SDP based solution.
- Evaluated the efficiency and the accuracy of the proposed methods over the commercial MIQP solver on the real-life stock data and the simulated data sets.

## **OVERSEAS EXPERIENCE**

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### **Summer Camp at the University of Cambridge**

Cambridge, the United Kingdom

*Leader of an Entrepreneurial Project*

August 2019 — September 2019

- Led a cross-campus team, Temple Art Cultural and Creative Project, independently raised funding, liaised with investors. Achieved 770,000 followers and generated a 60% profit margin.
- Attended courses, mastered the commercialization of scientific results, and received excellent grades. Prepared a comprehensive report within 24 hours on a voluntary project for children with autism.

## **INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE**

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### **China Merchants Securities Co., Ltd**

Shanghai, China

*Financial Analysis*

February, 2022 — June, 2022

- Based on financial reports and public websites, independently updated financial databases of JD.com, Alibaba, and Meituan. By Python data mining and Arena simulation, conducted 37 pages of in-depth reports on Amazon's operating rules and business monetization topics within two weeks.

## **HONORS and AWARDS**

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- National Scholarship (China's highest honour for top 1% students) September, 2023
- Third Prize in the National Undergraduate Mathematical Contest in Modeling October, 2022
- Full Scholarship for Summer Study Program at Cambridge August, 2018

## **SKILLS**

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- **Language:** IELTS (Academic): 7.0 (Minimum: 6.5)
- **Programming:** Python(Pytorch, TensorFlow, Scikit-learn, Pandas, etc.); C++; L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X; SQL; R