# MENGXIN WANG

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## **Employment**

#### The University of Texas at Dallas Richardson, TX Naveen Jindal School of Management Assistant Professor of Operations Management Aug 2023 - Present Uber Technologies, Inc. San Fransisco, CA Data Science Intern June 2020 - Aug 2020 Education University of California, Berkeley Berkeley, CA Ph.D. in Industrial Engineering and Operations Research May 2023 Minor in Statistics and Machine Learning Advisor: Prof. Zuo-Jun (Max) Shen University of California, Berkeley Berkeley, CA M.S. in Industrial Engineering and Operations Research May 2018 Tsinghua University Beijing, China

#### Research Interests

Machine Learning; OM-Marketing Interface; Choice Modeling; Revenue Management; Digital Platforms; Generative AI

June 2017

#### Papers Under Review or Revision

- "Large Language Models for Market Research: A Data-augmentation Approach," M. Wang, D. J. Zhang, and H. Zhang, under review at Marketing Science.
  - Sponsored by OpenAI's Researcher Access Program

B.Eng. in Industrial Engineering (Summa Cum Laude)

- Preliminary version accepted at the NeurIPS SFLLM Workshop, 2024
- "A Learning and Optimization Framework for Personalized Product Design," M. Wang, M. Qi, and Z. M. Shen, under revision at Management Science.
- "Urban Courier: Operational Innovation and Data-driven Coverage-and-Pricing," M. Wang, M. Qi, J. Cao, and Z. M. Shen, under revision at Manufacturing & Service Operations Management.

#### **Journal Publications**

- "Optimizing Offline Product Design and Online Assortment Policy: Measuring the Relative Impact of Each Decision," M. Wang, H. Zhang, P. Rusmevichientong, and Z. M. Shen, **Management Science**, 2024.
  - Finalist, Jeff McGill Student Paper Award, 2022
- "Content Promotion for Online Content Platforms with Diffusion Effect," Y. Lin, M. Wang, H. Zhang, R. Zhang, and Z. M. Shen, Manufacturing & Service Operations Management, 2024.
  - Finalists, Minority Issues Forum Paper Competition, 2024
  - Second Place, OR/MS Tomorrow Mini-poster Competition, 2022
  - Winner, Best Student Paper of Social Media Analytics, 2022 (Primary Awardee: Yunduan Lin)
- "Modeling and Analysis of the Waiting Time of Rapid Response Process in Acute Care," N. Chen, M. Wang, X. Xie, L. Zheng, and C.H. Swartz, **IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters**, 2018.

## Books, Conference and Workshops

- "A Simple Test of Expected Utility Theory with GPT," M. Wang, NeurIPS 2023 SoLaR Workshop, Spotlight, 2023.
- "Online Retailing Inventory Management," M. Wang and Z. M. Shen, Invited book chapter for Research Handbook on Inventory Management, 2023.
- "Smart Feasibility Pump: Reinforcement Learning for (Mixed) Integer Programming," M. Wang, M. Qi, and Z. M. Shen, ICML 2021 RL for Real Life Workshop, Spotlight, 2021.

#### Presentations and Talks

- "Large Language Models for Market Research: A Data-augmentation Approach"
  - Bass FORMS Conference (2025, scheduled), POMS Annual Conference (2025, scheduled), INFORMS Annual Meeting (2024), INFORMS MSOM Conference (2024)
- "A Learning and Optimization Framework for Personalized Product Design"
  - INFORMS RMP Section Conference (2024), POMS Annual Conference (2024), INFORMS Annual Meeting (2023), POMS Annual Conference (2023)
- "Optimizing Offline Product Design and Online Assortment Policy: Measuring the Relative Impact of Each Decision"
  - POMS Annual Conference (2022), INFORMS RMP Section Conference (2022)
- "Urban Courier: Operational Innovation And Data-driven Coverage-and-pricing"
  - ISTDM (2021), INFORMS Annual Meeting (2020), INFORMS Annual Meeting (2019)

## Teaching

Instructor	UT Dallas
OPRE 6304: Operations Analytics	Spring 2024, Fall 2024
OPRE 3310: Supply Chain and Operations Management	Fall 2023, Fall 2024

## Graduate Student Instructor and Co-instructor

UC Berkelev IEOR 253/CEE 258: Supply Chain and Logistics Management *Spring 2021* IEOR 242: Applications in Data Analytics Spring 2019, Fall 2019, Fall 2020

#### Services

#### Ad-hoc Reviewer

Journal: Management Science (MS), Manufacturing & Service Operations Management (MSOM), Production and Operations Management (POM)

Conference: 2024 MSOM Sustainable Operations SIG conference, NeurIPS 2022 Workshop on RL for Real Life, NeurIPS 2022 Workshop on Progress and Challenges in Building Trustworthy Embodied AI

## **Professional Services**

Session co-chair, "Efficient Learning Methods and Revenue Management Applications", INFORMS, 2024 Session co-chair, "Machine Learning and Analytics for Revenue Management", POMS, 2024 Member, Ph.D. Admissions Committee for the OM Area, JSOM, UT Dallas, 2023 Session co-chair, "Innovation and algorithm advances in online marketplace", INFORMS, 2022

## Honors and Awards

IEOR Faculty Fellowship	2022
Teaching Effectiveness Award	2022
Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award	2021
Graduate Remote Instruction Innovation Fellowship	2021
IEOR Department Award	2017-2020
Graduate Division Block Grant Award	2017

Beijing Outstanding Graduate	2017
University Outstanding Graduate	2017
Boeing Fellowship	2016
Science and Technology Innovation Fellowship	2016
Academic Excellence Fellowship	2015-2016
Tsinghua-Changhong Fellowship	2014

# Computing

Python, R, Gurobi, Tensorflow, PyTorch