AKANG WANG

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EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University — Pittsburgh, PA
Doctor of Philosophy in Chemical Engineering — *May 2020*
Thesis advisor: Chrysanthos E. Gounaris
GPA: 3.95/4.00

Tianjin University — Tianjin, China
Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering — *Jul. 2015*

Nankai University — Tianjin, China
Bachelor of Arts in Finance — *Jul. 2015*

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Ph.D. Research, Process Systems Engineering, Carnegie Mellon University — *Sept. 2015 - Present*

Supply Chain Optimization

- Implemented tailored branch-price-and-cut algorithms to exactly solve several variants of vehicle routing problems (time windows, multiple trips, heterogeneous fleets, multiple periods, release dates, uncertain demands) and closed numerous previously open benchmark instances
- Established a scenario-sampling framework to estimate the marginal cost of serving individual customers and delivered academic codes to Air Liquide for commercial use
- Proposed a novel branch-and-cut algorithm for solving the continuous-time inventory routing problem that arises in the industrial gas business (e.g., Air Liquide) and obtained superior results over the state-of-the-art approach
- Built a novel mixed-integer linear programming model for the full truckload pickup and delivery problem and demonstrated its effectiveness and efficiency through extensive computational studies on industrial data from Braskem

Global Optimization

- Developed a customized branch-and-bound approach for irregular shape nesting and solved five-polygon nesting instances to global optimality for the firsts time in literature
- Incorporated strengthened intersection cuts to deal with reverse convex quadratic constraints and achieved superior computational performance over the state-of-the-art global solvers on solving circle-packing instances

SKILLS

Professional Expertise: Operations Research, Mathematical Optimization, Process Optimization
Application Software: CPLEX, Gurobi, GAMS, CBC
Programming Languages: C++, Python, OpenMP
Languages: Mandarin (native), English (fluent)

PUBLICATIONS

A. Wang and C. E. Gounaris. A branch-price-and-cut approach for the multi-trip vehicle routing problem with time windows and release dates. *In Preparation*, 2019a

A. Wang, X. Li, J. E. Arbogast, and C. E. Gounaris. A novel branch-and-cut algorithm for continuous-time inventory routing. *In Preparation*, 2019b

A. Wang, J. E. Arbogast, G. Bonnier, and C. E. Gounaris. Estimation of marginal cost to serve individual customers. *In Preparation*, 2019a

A. Wang and C. E. Gounaris. On tackling circle-circle non-overlapping constraints. *In Preparation*, 2019b

A. Subramanyam, **A. Wang**, and C. E. Gounaris. A scenario decomposition algorithm for strategic time window assignment vehicle routing problems. *Transportation Research Part B: Methodological*, 117:296–317, 2018

A. Wang, C. L. Hanselman, and C. E. Gounaris. A customized branch-and-bound approach for irregular shape nesting. *Journal of Global Optimization*, 71(4):935–955, 2018b

S. Shi, L. Wang, **A. Wang**, R. Huang, L. Ding, R. Su, W. Qi, and Z. He. Bioinspired fabrication of optical fiber spr sensors for immunoassays using polydopamine-accelerated electroless plating. *Journal of Materials Chemistry C*, 4(32):7554–7562, 2016

PRESENTATIONS

A. Wang and C. E. Gounaris. A customized branch-and-bound approach for circle packing. *INFORMS Annual Meeting*, 2018

A. Wang, C. L. Hanselman, and C. E. Gounaris. A novel branching scheme for problems with reverse convex quadratic constraints and its application to packing problems. *AIChE Annual Meeting*, 2018a

A. Wang, C. L. Hanselman, and C. E. Gounaris. Irregular shape nesting via branch-and-bound using custom relaxations. *INFORMS Annual Meeting*, 2017

A. Wang and C. E. Gounaris. A branch-price-and-cut approach for robust vehicle routing. *INFORMS Annual Meeting*, 2017

HONORS & AWARDS

H. William and Ruth Hamilton Prengle Graduate Fellowship, Carnegie Mellon University *Apr. 2018*
James C. Meade Graduate Fellowship, Carnegie Mellon University *Dec. 2016*
Institutional Honor, Tianjin University *Jul. 2015*
Shanghai Pudong Development Bank Endeavour Fellowship, Tianjin University *Dec. 2014*
National Scholarship, Tianjin University *Dec. 2013*
Shanghai Pudong Development Bank Scholarship, Tianjin University *Dec. 2012*

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Journal reviewer: *Optimization Letters*, *Optimization and Engineering*, *Integer Programming and Combinatorial Optimization 2019* (subreviewer)
Conference session chair: *INFORMS Annual Meeting 2018*
Conference organizing committee: *YinzOR 2019*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant, Carnegie Mellon University *Jan. 2016 - May 2019*

- Optimization Modeling and Algorithms, Chemical Process Systems Design, Special Topics in Process Systems Engineering (CMU courses for undergraduate and graduate students)
- Models and Algorithms for Supply Chain Optimization (CAPD short course for industrial participants)