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ACADEMIC University of Illinois Chicago, Chicago, IL

EMPLOYMENT Assistant Professor of Information and Decision Sciences

Aug 2020 - Present

Aug 2015 - June 2020

Education Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

Ph.D. in Operations Research

University of Illinois Urbana Champaign, Champaign, IL

Aug 2010 - June 2014

B.S. in Computer Engineering, minor in Technology and Management Graduated with Highest Honors and University Honors (Bronze Tablet)

Industry BallotIQ, Ann Arbor, MI

Co-Founder June 2024 - Present

Facebook, Menlo Park, CA

Data Scientist Intern

June 2015 - Aug 2015

Google, Mountain View, CA

Software Engineering Intern

June 2013 - Aug 2013

Garmin, Olathe, KS

Software Engineering Intern

June 2012 - Aug 2012

Selected Awards Roger J-B Wets Junior Researcher Best Paper Prize in Stochastic Programming, 2025

The competition is held every three years by the Stochastic Programming Society in recognition of the most outstanding paper in stochastic programming authored by a researcher within seven years of receiving their PhD. Awarded for solo-author paper titled "A nonparametric algorithm for optimal stopping based on robust optimization".

Operations Research Meritorious Service Award, 2024

Awarded to a select number of reviewers that have "gone above and beyond normal expectations".

WDSM Test of Time Paper Award, 2024

Awarded by the ACM International Conference on Web Search and Data Mining (WSDM'24) for 2014 paper on recommendation systems titled "Personalized entity recommendation in heterogeneous information networks with implicit user feedback".

Management Science Meritorious Service Award, 2023

Awarded to select group of reviewers for consistently writing "timely, unbiased, and thoughtful" reports.

INFORMS Junior Faculty Interest Group (JFIG) Paper Competition, 2nd Place, 2021

The competition is held each year to increase the visibility of research conducted by junior faculty within the fields of operations research and management science. Awarded for solo-author paper titled "A nonparametric algorithm for optimal stopping based on robust optimization".

MIT Operations Research Center Student Paper Competition, 2019

Awarded to one paper written by students each year in the MIT ORC PhD Program, recognizing outstanding achievement in operations research. Awarded to B. Sturt for paper titled "A data-driven approach to multi-stage stochastic linear optimization".

INFORMS George Nicholson Student Paper Competition, 2nd Place, 2017

The competition is held each year to honor outstanding papers in the field of operations research and the management sciences written by a student. Awarded to B. Sturt for paper titled "Computation of the bootstrap: complexity, exact algorithms and deterministic approximations".

MIT Sloan Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, 2017

Awarded to one graduate student in the MIT Sloan School of Management each academic year for excellence in MBA teaching. Nominated and selected by MBA students as a teaching assistant in Fall 2016 for the class "15.060: Data, Models and Decisions".

UIUC Campus Honors Program Outstanding Senior Award, 2013

Awarded to select undergraduates in the Campus Honors Program at UIUC, which is comprised of 125 top students in each academic year.

Publications

All authorship listed alphabetically by last name (except for 10-12) Corresponding author for 1-4, 7, 14

1. On the Sparsity of Optimal Linear Decision Rules for a Class of Robust Optimization Problems with Box Uncertainty Sets

Haihao Lu and Bradley Sturt Operations Research, 2025

2. Improving the Security of United States Elections with Robust Optimization

Braden L. Crimmins, J. Alex Halderman, Bradley Sturt Operations Research, 2024

3. The Value of Robust Assortment Optimization under Ranking-Based Choice Models Bradley Sturt

Management Science, 2024

4. A Nonparametric Algorithm for Optimal Stopping based on Robust Optimization Bradley Sturt

Operations Research, Vol. 71, No. 5, 2023

- Winner of the Roger J-B Wets Junior Researcher Paper Prize in Stochastic Programming, 2025
- Second Place in the INFORMS Junior Faculty Interest Group Paper Competition, 2021

5. A Data-Driven Approach to Multistage Stochastic Linear Optimization

Dimitris Bertsimas, Shimrit Shtern, Bradley Sturt Management Science, Vol. 69, No. 1, 2023

— Winner of the MIT ORC Student Paper Competition (awarded to Sturt), 2019

6. Group Fairness in Dynamic Refugee Assignment

Daniel Freund, Thodoris Lykouris, Elisabeth Paulson, Bradley Sturt, Wentao Weng Proceedings of the 24th ACM Conference on Economics and Computation (extended abstract), 2023

7. Dynamic Optimization with Side Information

Dimitris Bertsimas, Chris McCord, Bradley Sturt European Journal of Operational Research, Vol. 304, No. 2, 2023

8. Two-Stage Sample Robust Optimization

Dimitris Bertsimas, Shimrit Shtern, Bradley Sturt *Operations Research*, Vol. 70, No. 1, 2022

9. Computation of Exact Bootstrap Confidence Intervals: Complexity and Deterministic Algorithms

Dimitris Bertsimas and Bradley Sturt Operations Research, Vol. 68, No. 3, 2020

— Second Place in the INFORMS George Nicholson Paper Competition (awarded to Sturt), 2017

10. The Path Most Traveled: Travel Demand Estimation Using Big Data Resources

Jameson Toole, Serdar Colak, Lauren Alexander, Bradley Sturt, Alexandre Evsukoff, Marta González Transportation Research Part C: Emerging Technologies, Vol. 58, 2015

11. Personalized Entity Recommendation in Heterogeneous Information Networks with Implicit User Feedback

Xiao Yu, Xiang Ren, Yizhou Sun, Quanquan Gu, Bradley Sturt, Urvashi Khandelwal, Brandon Norick, Jiawei Han

Proceedings of the 7th ACM Intl. Conference on Web Search and Data Mining, 2014

— Winner of the Test of Time Paper Award in WSDM'24

12. HeteRec: Entity Recommendation in Heterogeneous Information Networks with Implicit User Feedback

Xiao Yu, Xiang Ren, Yizhou Sun, Bradley Sturt, Urvashi Khandelwal, Quanquan Gu, Brandon Norick, Jiawei Han

Proceedings of the 7th ACM Conference on Recommender Systems, 2013

WORKING PAPERS

13. Group Fairness in Dynamic Refugee Assignment

Daniel Freund, Thodoris Lykouris, Elisabeth Paulson, Bradley Sturt, Wentao Weng

14. The Blessing of Strategic Customers in Personalized Pricing

Zhi Chen, Bradley Sturt, Weijun Xie

Patents

1. Single-Ballot Logic and Accuracy Testing

Bradley Sturt, J. Alex Halderman, Braden L. Crimmins U.S. Patent Application No. 18/905,050, filed April 3, 2025.

2. Robust Election Logic and Accuracy

Braden L. Crimmins, J. Alex Halderman, Bradley Sturt. U.S. Patent Application No. 18/394,391, filed June 27, 2024.

Invited Seminar &	2025 UBC, Sauder School of Management, Operations and Logistics Division	October 2025	
Workshop	Oxford, Saïd Business School, Operations and Technology Management	June 2025	
TALKS	University of Maryland, Workshop on AI and Analytics for Social Good	May 2025	
	CUHK, Systems Engineering and Engineering Management	May 2025	
	UCLA, Anderson School of Management, Decisions Operations & Technology Management	ement April 2025	
	2024		
	2024 MIT, Operations Research Center	October 2024	
	Cornell University, Operations Research and Information Engineering	October 2024	
	University of Southern California, Industrial and Systems Engineering	September 2024	
	Microsoft Research, Security Privacy and Cryptography	June 2024	
	University of Illinois Chicago, Workshop on Frontiers of AI in Business and Society	May 2024	
	2023		
	Robust Optimization Webinar	December 2023	
	INSEAD, Workshop on Information and Learning in Decisions and Operations	July 2023	
	Northwest on Heimster Industrial Engineering and Management Crimes	Ctt0000	
	Northwestern University, Industrial Engineering and Management Science Virginia Tech, Industrial and Systems Engineering	September 2022 May 2022	
	University of Illinois Chicago, Business Analytics Organization Speaker Series	April 2022	
	Oniversity of finites chicago, Business finally ties of guinzation operated series	11pr 00 2022	
	2021		
	Washington University in St. Louis, Olin Business School	November 2021	
	University of Texas Austin, Operations Research and Industrial Engineering	November 2021	
	2020		
	Robust Optimization Webinar	$November\ 2020$	
	University of Wisconsin Madison, Industrial and Systems Engineering	January 2020	
	2019		
	University of Michigan, Industrial and Operations Engineering	December 2019	
	Indiana University, Kelley School of Business	$December\ 2019$	
	University of Illinois Chicago, College of Business Administration	$December\ 2019$	
	Princeton University, Operations Research and Financial Engineering	November 2019	
	University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Gies College of Business	November 2019	
	Oracle Labs, ML Research Seminar Series	November 2019	
	CMU Tepper School of Business, YinzOR Workshop MIT, Operations Research Center	August 2019 September 2019	
	Technion Industrial Engineering, Quant Seminar	January 2019	
	BIRS Workshop on "Models and Algorithms for Sequential Decision-Making	January 2019	
	under Uncertainty", Banff		
Conference	INFORMS Annual Meeting, Atlanta	October 2025	
Talks	International Conference on Stochastic Programming (ICSP), Paris	August 2025	
	INFORMS Applied Probability Conference, Atlanta	June 2025	
	INFORMS Annual Meeting, Seattle International Symposium on Mathematical Programming (ISMP), Montreal	October 2024 July 2024	
	Election Verification Network Conference, Washington DC	March 2024	
	International Conference on Stochastic Programming (ICSP), Davis	July 2023	
	Statewide Certification Testing of Election Systems National Conference, Huntsville	June 2023	
	SIAM Conference on Optimization (OP23), Seattle	$June\ 2023$	
	INFORMS Annual Meeting, Indianapolis	October 2022	
	INFORMS Revenue Management and Pricing (RMP) Section Conference, Virtual	June 2022	

	INFORMS Annual Meeting, Virtual SIAM Conference on Optimization (OP21), Virtual INFORMS Annual Meeting, Virtual International Conference on Continuous Optimization (ICCOPT), Berlin INFORMS Annual Meeting, Seattle INFORMS Annual Meeting, Phoenix International Symposium on Mathematical Programming (ISMP), Bordeaux INFORMS Annual Meeting, Houston	October 2021 July 2021 October 2020 August 2019 October 2019 November 2018 August 2018 October 2017
Instructor	University of Illinois Chicago IDS 532, Introduction to Operations Management (Instructor Evaluation: 4.73/5) IDS 435, Optimization for Analytics (Instructor Evaluation: 4.48/5) IDS 532, Introduction to Operations Management (Instructor Evaluation: 4.87/5) IDS 532, Introduction to Operations Management (Instructor Evaluation: 4.67/5) IDS 532, Introduction to Operations Management (Instructor Evaluation: 4.72/5) IDS 532, Introduction to Operations Management (Instructor Evaluation: 4.72/5) IDS 516, Data Analytics for Business Professionals (Instructor Evaluation: 4.80/5) IDS 270, Statistics I for Business Scholars (Instructor Evaluation: 4.75/5) IDS 270, Statistics I for Business Professionals (Instructor Evaluation: 4.75/5) IDS 270, Statistics I for Business Scholars (Instructor Evaluation: 3.63/5) IDS 270, Statistics I for Business Scholars (Instructor Evaluation: 4.38/5)	Spring 2025 Spring 2025 Fall 2024 Spring 2024 Fall 2023 Fall 2022 Fall 2022 Spring 2022 Fall 2021 Fall 2021 Spring 2021 Spring 2021 Fall 2020
TEACHING ASSISTANT	Massachusetts Institute of Technology 15.097, Robust Optimization (TA Evaluation: 6.5/7) 15.778, Introduction to Operations Management (TA Evaluation: 6.7/7) 15.093, Optimization Methods (TA Evaluation: 7.0/7) 15.060, Data Models and Decisions (TA Evaluation: 6.7/7)	Spring 2019 Summer 2018 Fall 2017 Fall 2016
Journal Reviewer	Management Science, Operations Research, Manufacturing & Service Operations Manufacturing & Service Operations Manufacturing & Service Operations Manufacturing & Service Operations Management, SIAM Journal on Optimization, Mathematical Production and Operations Management, INFORMS Journal on Computing, INFO Optimization, Journal of Optimization Theory and Applications	Programming,
Conference and Award Reviewer	INFORMS Pierskalla Best Paper Award, Committee Member ACM Conference on Economics and Computation, Program Committee INFORMS Pierskalla Best Paper Award, Committee Member	2024 2024 2023
UIC ACTIVITIES	UIC Business AI Council Member UIC Information and Decision Sciences Seminar Organizer UIC Business Workshop on Frontiers of AI in Business and Society, Co-organizer UIC Business Ad Hoc Committee on Business Analytics and Artificial Intelligence UIC Business Workshop on Diversity and Effective Teaching, Panelist UIC Information and Decision Sciences PhD Committee Member	2025-Present Spring 2025 May 2024 Summer 2024 October 2023 2023-Present