Bradley Sturt

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Research

Optimization under uncertainty (robust, stochastic, dynamic) and machine learning, with applications

Interests to operations management and finance.

Academic University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL

2020 - Present

EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor of Business Analytics

EDUCATION Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

2015 - 2020

Ph.D. in Operations Research

GPA: 5.00/5.00

University of Illinois Urbana Champaign, Champaign, IL

2010 - 2014

B.S. in Computer Engineering, minor in Technology and Management

GPA: 3.97/4.00

Ph.D Thesis "Dynamic Optimization in the Age of Big Data," MIT, April 2020.

Selected Awards

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

The competition is held each year to encourage research among junior faculty and 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, First Place, 2019

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

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".

INFORMS George Nicholson Student Paper Competition, Second 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 for paper titled "Computation of the bootstrap: complexity, exact algorithms and deterministic approximations" with D. Bertsimas.

Research

Journal Papers

- 1. A data-driven approach to multi-stage stochastic linear optimization
 - Management Science, forthcoming, 2021
 - D. Bertsimas, S. Shtern, and B. Sturt
 - Winner of the MIT Operations Research Center Student Paper Competition, 2019
- 2. Two-stage sample robust optimization

Operations Research, forthcoming, 2021

- D. Bertsimas, S. Shtern, and B. Sturt
- 3. Computation of exact bootstrap confidence intervals: Complexity and deterministic algorithms **Operations Research**, Vol. 68, No. 3, pp. 949-964, 2020
 - D. Bertsimas and B. Sturt
 - Second Place in the INFORMS George Nicholson Student Paper Competition, 2017

UNDER REVIEW

- 4. The value of robust assortment optimization under ranking-based choice models B. Sturt
- 5. A nonparametric algorithm for optimal stopping based on robust optimization **Operations Research** (invited for first round revision major revision)
 - B. Sturt
 - Second Place in the INFORMS Junior Faculty Interest Group (JFIG) Paper Competition, 2021
- 6. Dynamic optimization with side information

European Journal of Operational Research (invited for first round revision - major revision)

D. Bertsimas, C. McCord, and B. Sturt

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7. Fast algorithms for robust linear optimization

PREPARATION

H. Lu and B. Sturt

OTHER REFEREED PAPERS

- 9. The path most traveled: Travel demand estimation using big data resources

 Transportation Research Part C: Emerging Technologies, Vol. 58, pp.162-177, 2015
 - J. Toole, S. Colak, B. Sturt, L. Alexander, A. Evsukoff, and M. C. González
- Personalized entity recommendation in heterogeneous information networks with implicit user feedback Proceedings of the 7th ACM International Conference on Web Search and Data Mining, pp. 283-292, 2014
 - X. Yu, X. Ren, Y. Sun, Q. Gu, B. Sturt, U. Khandelwal, B. Norick, and J. Han
- 11. HeteRec: Entity recommendation in heterogeneous information networks with implicit user feedback **Proceedings of the 7th ACM Conference on Recommender Systems**, pp. 347-350, 2013. X. Yu, X. Ren, Y. Sun, B. Sturt, U. Khandelwal, Q. Gu, B. Norick, and J. Han

Teaching

| Instructor | University of Illinois at Chicago | | |
|-----------------------|--|----------------|--|
| | IDS 516, Data Analytics for Business Professionals | Fall 2021 | |
| | IDS 270, Statistics I for Business Scholars | Fall 2021 | |
| | IDS 472, Business Data Mining (Instructor Evaluation Score: 4.61/5.0) | Spring 2021 | |
| | IDS 270, Statistics I for Business Scholars (Instructor Evaluation Score: $\mathbf{4.38/5.0}$) | Fall 2020 | |
| TEACHING ASSISTANT | Massachusetts Institute of Technology | | |
| | 15.097, Robust Optimization (TA Evaluation Score: $6.5/7.0$) | Spring 2019 | |
| | 15.778, Introduction to Operations Management (TA Evaluation Score: $\mathbf{6.7/7.0}$) | Summer 2018 | |
| | 15.093, Optimization Methods (TA Evaluation Score: $7.0/7.0$) | Fall 2017 | |
| | 15.060, Data Models and Decisions (TA Evaluation Score: $\mathbf{6.7/7.0}$) | Fall 2016 | |
| | Invited Talks | | |
| Seminars & Workshops | University of Texas Austin, Operations Research and Industrial Engineering | November 2021 | |
| | Washington University in St. Louis, Olin Business School, BCSCI Research Seminar | November 2021 | |
| | Robust Optimization Webinar (ROW) | November 2020 | |
| | University of Wisconsin Madison, Industrial and Systems Engineering | January 2020 | |
| | University of Michigan, Industrial and Operations Engineering | December 2019 | |
| | Indiana University, Kelley School of Business | December 2019 | |
| | University of Illinois at 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 (USA East Office), ML Research Seminar Series | November 2019 | |
| | MIT Operations Research Center, ORC Seminar | September 2019 | |
| | CMU Tepper School of Business, YinzOR Workshop | August 2019 | |
| | Technion Industrial Engineering, Quant Seminar | January 2019 | |
| | BIRS Workshop on "Models and Algorithms for Sequential Decision-Making under Uncertainty", Banff | January 2019 | |
| Conferences | INFORMS Annual Meeting, Virtual | October 2021 | |
| | SIAM Conference on Optimization (OP21), Virtual | July 2021 | |
| | INFORMS Annual Meeting, Virtual | October 2020 | |
| | International Conference on Continuous Optimization (ICCOPT), Berlin | August, 2019 | |
| | INFORMS Annual Meeting, Seattle | October 2019 | |

INFORMS Annual Meeting, Phoenix

International Symposium on Mathematical Programming (ISMP), Bordeaux

August 2018

INFORMS Annual Meeting, Houston

October 2017

Service

Ad-hoc Reviewer

Management Science, Operations Research, Mathematics of Operations Research, Manufacturing & Service Operations Management, SIAM Journal on Optimization, Production and Operations Management, INFORMS Journal on Optimization, INFORMS Journal on Computing

Miscellaneous

GRADUATE SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Organizer of 15.S60: Computation in Optimization and Statistics, 2017, 2018, 2019

Organized student-taught MIT Sloan elective course during the January term on software tools for operations research (R, Julia, Gurobi, distributed computing). Recruited and coordinated team of teaching assistants, defined course expectations, and managed enrollment.

Coordinator for MIT ORC Fall Seminar Series, 2018

Invited and hosted speakers as student coordinator for Fall seminar series.

Industry Employment Facebook, Menlo Park, CA

YMENT Data Scientist Intern

Summer 2015

Google, Mountain View, CA

 $Software\ Engineering\ Intern$

Summer 2013

 ${\bf Garmin},\,{\rm Olathe},\,{\rm KS}$

 $Software\ Engineering\ Intern$

 $Summer\ 2012$

Computing

R, Python, Julia, C++, x86 Assembly

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