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RESEARCH INTERESTS Simulation and Statistical Inference for Stochastic Processes, Applied Probability, Rare-Event Analysis, Sensitivity Analysis, Energy Systems, Experimental Design.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Centrum Wiskunde & Informatica, Amsterdam, Netherlands

2015-Present

Postdoctoral Researcher in Stochastics

Supervisor: Bert Zwart

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, USA

2013-2015

Postdoctoral Fellow in Industrial & Systems Engineering and Biomedical Engineering

Supervisor: Enlu Zhou, Peng Qiu

EDUCATION

Stanford University, Stanford, CA, USA

2008-2013

Ph.D. in Computational and Mathematical Engineering

Supervisor: Peter W. Glynn

Thesis title: Unbiased Estimation with Biased Samplers

Stanford University, Stanford, CA, USA

2006-2008

M.S. in Computational and Mathematical Engineering ¹

Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea

1998-2006

B.S. in Mathematics and B.S. in Computer Science

(Military service: 2002–2005)

Awards

- INFORMS Simulation Society Outstanding Simulation Publication Award, 2016
- Finalist, George Nicholson Student Paper Competition, 2013
- Best Student Paper Award (MS/OR focused), Winter Simulation Conference, 2012
- Samsung Fellowship, 2008–2012
- Seoul National University Merit Scholarship, 2005–2006
- ACM SIGSIM Travel Award, 2012
- NSF Financial Support for WSC 2012

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] "Sample-path large deviations for Levy processes and random walks with Weibull increments," with M. Bazhba, J. Blanchet, and B. Zwart. arXiv:1710.04013. Submitted to Probability Theory and Related Fields.
- [2] "Sample-path large deviations for heavy-tailed Lévy processes and random walks," with J. Blanchet and B. Zwart. arXiv:1606.02795. Submitted to *Annals or Probability*. (under revision for second round review.)
- [3] "Importance sampling of heavy-tailed iterated random functions," with B. Chen and B. Zwart. arXiv:1609.03182. Submitted to Advances in Applied Probability. (under revision for second round review.)
- [4] "Lyapunov conditions for differentiability of Markov chain expectations: the absolutely continuous case," with P. W. Glynn. arXiv:1707.03870. To be submitted to *Mathematics of Operations Research*.

 $^{^1{}m Officially}$ granted in 2013

- [5] "Efficient rare-event simulation for multiple jump events in regularly varying random walks and compound Poisson processes," with B. Chen, J. Blanchet, and B. Zwart. arXiv: 1706.03981. Submitted to *Mathematics of Operations Research*. (under revision for second round review.)
- [6] "Space filling design for non-linear models," with E. Zhou and P. Qiu. arXiv:1710.11616. To be submitted to Stochastic Systems.
- [7] "Unbiased estimation with square root convergence for SDE models," with P. W. Glynn. Operations Research, 63(5): 1026–1043, 2015. 2016 INFORMS Simulation Society Outstanding Simulation Publication Award. The preprint of this paper was also recognized as a Finalist in 2013 George Nicholson Student Paper Competition.
- [8] "Exact estimation for Markov chain equilibrium expectations," with P. W. Glynn. *Journal of Applied Probability (Special Jubilee Issue)*, 51A: 377-389, 2014.
- [9] "An iterative algorithm for sampling from manifolds," with E. Zhou and P. Qiu, *Proceedings* of the 2014 Winter Simulation Conference, 2014.
- [10] "A new approach to unbiased estimation for SDEs," with P. W. Glynn, *Proceedings of the* 2012 Winter Simulation Conference, 2012. Best MS/OR focused Student Paper.

Working Papers

- [11] "On heavy-tailed simulation estimators," with B. Chen.
- [12] "Rare event simulation for cascading failures in power grids," with T. Nesti, N. Vasmel, and B. Zwart
- [13] "Sample-path large deviations for heavy-tailed Markov additive processes" with B. Chen and B. Zwart
- [14] "Quasi-variational problems in heavy-tailed large deviations theory," with B. Zwart and J. Blanchet
- [15] "Lyapunov conditions for differentiability of Markov chain expectations: the contracting case," with P. W. Glynn.

SERVICES

Program Committee:

- 2016 Winter Simulation Conference (Analysis and Methodology Track)
- 2017 International Conference on Machine Learning (Reviewer)

Referee:

- Operations Research, Mathematics of Operations Research, Bernoulli, Advances in Applied Probability, IIE Transactions, Journal of Simulation, Proceedings of the Winter Simulation Conference, Proceedings of the 2016 MCQMC

Talks

 $Sample\ path\ LDP\ for\ heavy-tailed\ processes$

- Mark Kac Lecture, Utrecht, November 2017 (scheduled)
- Applied Probability Society Conference, Evanston, July 2017
- Extreme Value Analysis Conference, Delft, June 2017
- INFORMS Annual Meeting, Nashville, November 2016
- IBM Watson, September 2016
- Lévy 2016 Summer School, July 2016

 ${\it Efficient \ rare-event \ simulation \ for \ multiple \ jump \ events \ heavy-tailed \ processes}$

- INFORMS Annual Meeting, Houston, October 2017

Perfect estimation with imperfect samplers

- ORIE department, Cornell University, April 2017
- Operations Research Seminar, Tinbergen Institute, December 2016
- Computational Statistics Seminar, Oxford University, November 2016
- Retrospective Monte Carlo Workshop, University of Warwick, July 2016
- Applied Mathematics Department, Ecole Polytechnique, Paris, June 2016
- IMS-ISBA Joint Meeting MCMSki 2016, Lenzerheide, January 2016
- Scientific Meeting, Centrum Wiskunde & Informatica, November 2015
- OR department, Naval Postgraduate School, August 2015
- IE department, Seoul National University, December 2014
- IME department, Pohang University of Science and Technology, December 2014
- SME department, Sungkyunkwan University, December 2014
- Applied Probability Seminar, Georgia Tech, September 2014
- ISE department, Virginia Tech, March 2014
- ISysE department, Korean Advanced Institute of Sceince and Technology, December 2013
- INFORMS Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, October 2013
- ICME Colloquium, Stanford University, February 2013
- Winter Simulation Conference, Berlin, December 2012

Sensitivity analysis for Markov chains

- Queueing Colloquium, Centrum Wiskunde & Informatica, May 2016
- INFORMS Annual Meeting, San Francisco, November 2014
- SIAM Seminars on Current Research in Engineering & Applied Mathematics, Stanford, March 2012

An iterative algorithm for sampling from manifolds

- Winter Simulation Conference, Savannah, December 2014

Unbiased MLMC for rare event simulation of stochastic recursions

- MCQMC 2016, Stanford University, August 2016

Perfect estimation and response-surface-filling design

- ISysE department, Korean Advanced Institute of Sceince and Technology, March 2015
- IME department, Pohang University of Science and Technology, February 2015
- ISE department, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, February 2015

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Stanford University, Stanford, CA, USA

Instructor Summer 2011

Taught math refresher course for the incoming students at Stanford Engineering School. Duties: Developing course contents and giving lectures.

- CME 001: Math Refresher Course, Probability and Statistics Session

Teaching Assistant

Autumn 2012, Spring 2012

Duties: Holding office hours, writing problem sets, final exams and their solutions, grading, and giving supplementary lectures and review sessions

- CME 100: Vector Calculus
- MS&E 322: Stochastic Calculus and Control

Course Assistant Winter 2007

Duties: Holding office hours, helping writing exams, and grading.

- MS&E 121: Introduction to Stochastic Modeling

Professional Experience

Gamevil Inc., Seoul, Korea

2003-2005

Software Engineer (Alternative military service)

- Worked on: Developing software libraries for mobile games. Developing mobile games. Administering online game server and user database.

Wisefree Inc., Seoul, Korea

2002-2003

Software Engineer (Alternative military service)

- Worked on: Developing intranet system for LG Siltron and Korean national police.