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RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Decision analysis (group decision making, multi-criteria decision making, and data-driven decision analysis)
- Granular computing and data-driven prediction analysis
- Recommender Systems and graph data mining

ACADEMIC WEBSITES

- **WOS ResearcherID:** <https://webofscience.clarivate.cn/wos/author/record/B-5333-2011>
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EDUCATION

- **Visiting doctoral Student**, Centre for Quantum Computation & Intelligent Systems, University of Technology, Sydney, Australia, Oct. 2012 - Nov. 2013. **Supervisors:** Prof. Jie Lu (IEEE/IFSA Fellow) & Guangquan Zhang.

- **Ph. D** in Management Science & Engineering, Institute of Systems Engineering, Dalian University of Technology, Dalian, China, Sep. 2008 - Oct. 2014. Supervisor: Prof. Chonghui Guo.
- **B.S. in Engineering Management**, School of Economics and Management, China University of Petroleum, Qingdao, China, Sept. 2004 - Jul. 2008.

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- **Professor**, Institute of Systems Engineering, School of Economics and Management, Dalian University of Technology, Dalian, China, since Dec. 2023.
- **Deputy Director**, Institute of Systems Engineering, School of Economics and Management, Dalian University of Technology, Dalian, China, since Dec. 2019.
- **Associate Professor**, Institute of Systems Engineering, School of Economics and Management, Dalian University of Technology, Dalian, China, Dec. 2018 - Dec. 2023.
- **Visiting Scholar**, Department of Computer Science, University of Jaén, Spain, Nov. 2016 - Dec. 2016. **Supervisor: Luis Martínez**.
- **Postdoctoral Fellow in Business Administration**, Faculty of Management and Economics, Dalian University of Technology, Dalian, China, since Jan. 2015.
- **Assistant Professor**, Institute of Systems Engineering, Faculty of Management and Economics, Dalian University of Technology, Dalian, China, Nov. 2014 - Dec. 2018.

SELECTED HONORS AND AWARDS

- **2025 Best Paper Award of Omega Journal**, 2025
- **Springer Nature Editor of Distinction Award Author Service Award**, Springer Nature, 2025
- **Xingliao Talent Program - Young Talents for Cultural Luminaries and the “Four Batches” Program**, 2024
- **Outstanding Reviewer**, Journal of Systems Science & Complexity, 2024
- **Outstanding Reviewer**, Journal of the Operational Research Society, 2022, 2023
- **World’s Top 2% Scientists**, Stanford University, 2020 - 2025

- **Outstanding Reviewer**, Journal of Industrial Engineering and Engineering Management, 2021, 2022, 2023
- **Xinghai Outstanding Young Talents**, Dalian University of Technology, 2020.
- **Publons Global Peer Review Awards**, top 1% of reviewers in Computer Science and Cross-Field, 2019
- **Outstanding Reviewers**, Systems Engineering — Theory & Practice, 2019
- **Science and Technology Star for Young Scholars of Dalian City**, 2018
- **The Third Prize of Excellent Natural Science Academic Papers of Liaoning Province**, 2016, 2018, 2019.
- **The Third Prize of Excellent Natural Science Academic Papers of Dalian City**, 2016, 2017.
- **The First Prize of Excellent Natural Science Academic Papers of Dalian City**, 2015.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

- [1] **PI**, Research on Consensual Sorting Models and Methods for Multi-Criteria Group Decision Making by Considering Personalized Individual Semantics, granted by **National Natural Science Foundation of China** (72371049), CNY390K, 2024.1 - 2027.12.
- [2] **PI**, Consensus-Oriented Models and Methods for Multi-Criteria Sorting Problems in Group Decision Making with Heterogeneous Information, granted by **National Natural Science Foundation of China** (71971039), CNY480K, 2020.1 - 2023.12.
- [3] **PI**, Research on Two-sided Matching Decision Making Methods with Incomplete Information, granted by **National Natural Science Foundation of China** (71501023), CNY182.8K, 2016.1 - 2018.12.
- [4] **PI**, Data-Driven Preference Learning Methods for Multi-Criteria Sorting with Non-Monotonic Preferences, granted by **Natural Science Foundation of Liaoning Province** (2024-MSBA-26), CNY80K, 2024.09 - 2026.08.
- [5] **PI**, Approaches to Two-sided Matching Decision Making with Incomplete Preference Information, granted by the **China Postdoctoral Science Foundation** (2015M570248), CNY80K, 2015.6 - 2017.6.

- [6] **PI**, Consensus-Driven Models and Algorithms for Group Recommender Systems under Big Data environment, granted by **Dalian Science and Technology Bureau** (2018RQ69), CNY100K, 2019.1 - 2020.12.
- [7] **PI**, Consensus-Based Models for Linguistic Group Decision Making and Multi-Criteria Sorting, **the Funds for Xinghai Outstanding Young Talents** (X20190322), CNY400K, 2020.1 - 2023.12.
- [8] **PI**, Data-Driven Multi-Criteria Sorting Methods Considering Non-Monotonic Preferences of Decision Makers, **the Fundamental Research Funds for the Central Universities of China** (DUT23RW406), CNY50K, 2023.01 - 2024.12.
- [9] **PI**, Models and Methods for Linguistic Large-Scale Group Decision Making based on Social Network Trust, **the Fundamental Research Funds for the Central Universities of China** (DUT17RC(4)11), CNY50K, 2017.7 - 2018.12.
- [10] **PI**, Matching Decision Making Methods with Heterogeneous Criteria Sets for Matching Objects, **the Fundamental Research Funds for the Central Universities of China** (DUT15RC(3)003), CNY50K, 2015.1 - 2016.12.
- [11] **PI**, Group Decision Making with Uncertain Information, a Foundation for the Doctoral Student Academic Star of Dalian University of Technology, CNY10K, 2012.11 - 2013.10.
- [12] **Co-PI**, Research on Methods and Applications for Social Network Group Decision Making With Self-Confident Preferences Considering Personalized Individual Semantics, **the Funds for Humanities and Social Sciences of Ministry of Education of China** (23YJC630219), CNY80K, 2023.10 - 2026.7.
- [13] **Participant**, Electronic Medical Record Mining-based ICU Clinical Prediction Models in Smart Healthcare Scenarios, **the Applied Basic Research Program of Liaoning Natural Science Foundation, China** (2023JH2/101300208), CNY300K, 2023.1 - 2024.12.
- [14] **Participant**, Big-Data Driven Intelligent Decision Making Methods and Support Techniques for Smart City Construction in Dalian, a major program granted by Dalian Science and Technology Bureau (2018J11CY009), CNY3M, 2018.1 - 2020.12.
- [15] **Participant**, Clustering Models and Algorithms for Mining Electronic Medical Records, granted by **National Natural Science Foundation of China** (No. 71771034), CNY560K, 2018.1 - 2021.12.

- [16] **Participant**, Evolutionary Clustering Models and Algorithms for Dynamic Data Mining, granted by **National Natural Science Foundation of China** (No. 71171030), CNY450K, 2012.1 - 2015.12.
- [17] **Participant**, Information and Logistics Management in Emerging E-commerce, **the Funds for Creative Research Groups of China** (No. 71421001), CNY8.4M, 2015.1 - 2020.12.
- [18] **Participant**, Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery Based on Optimization and Multivariate Statistical Analysis: Methods and Applications, **the Program for New Century Excellent Talents in University** (NECT-11-0050), CNY300K, 2012.1 - 2014.12.
- [19] **Participant**, Clustering Models and Algorithms for Time Series Data Mining, granted by **National Natural Science Foundation of China** (No. 70871015), CNY230K, 2009.1 - 2011.12.
- [20] **Participant**, Theory and Methods of Product Life Cycle-Oriented Knowledge Coordination Management, granted by the **Key program of National Natural Science Foundation of China** (No. 71031002), CNY1.5M, 2011.1 - 2014.12.
- [21] **Participant**, Feature Representation and Similarity Measures for Time Series, **the Fundamental Research Funds for the Central Universities of China** (DUT11SX04), CNY100K, 2011.1 - 2012.12.
- [22] **Participant**, Path Selection and Policy Design for Regional Creativity Industry Development, **the National Soft Science Research Program** (2013GXS2D018), CNY150K, 2014.1 - 2014.12.
- [23] **Participant**, Enterprise Knowledge Management Methods and Enterprise Ontology, **the National High Technology Research and Development Program** (2008AA04Z107), CNY710K, 2008.10 - 2010.12.

PUBLICATIONS & Edited Special Issues

Monographs [Total: 1]

- [1] **Zhen Zhang**, Wenyu Yu, Zhuolin Li. Modeling Complex Linguistic Information to Support Group Decision Making Under Uncertainty, Springer Nature, Singapore, 2024, ISBN: 978-981-97-3583-9.

Book Chapters [Total: 1]

- [1] **Zhen Zhang**, Chonghui Guo. Association rules evaluation by a hybrid multiple criteria decision method, in: G. Yang (Ed.), *Multidisciplinary Studies in Knowledge and Systems Science*, IGI Global, Hershey PA, 2013, pp. 167-178. (Selected paper from the International Journal of Knowledge and Systems Science)

Journal Articles [Total: 64, SCI: 52, SSCI: 17, ESI highly cited: 22, ESI hot: 6]

- [1] **Zhen Zhang**, Ziyu Xu, Wenyu Yu*. Tourism demand forecasting with multi-source data: A hybrid model incorporating seasonal-trend decomposition, *Annals of Operations Research (ANOR)*, 2026, in press, doi: 10.1007/s10479-025-06832-0. (SCI, **2023 IF=4.5**, ABS 3)
- [2] **Zhen Zhang**, Jize Luo, Wenyu Yu*, Zhuolin Li, Francisco Chiclana. Integrating personalized individual semantics and consistency control to support consensus reaching in 2-rank group decision making, *IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics: Systems (TSMCS)*, 2026, in press, doi: 10.1109/TSMC.2025.3597963. (SCI, EI, **2024 IF=8.7, ABS 3**)
- [3] Qian Liang, Zhongquan Hu, **Zhen Zhang***, Haomin Wang. A multi-criteria preference learning method considering context-dependent decision behavior, *Chinese Journal of Management Science*, 2026, in press, doi: 10.16381/j.cnki.issn1003-207x.2024.1896. (CSSCI, FMS-T1, in Chinese)
- [4] Yuan Gao, **Zhen Zhang***, Wenyu Yu*. Preference learning for multi-criteria sorting with interacting criteria: A framework integrating threshold-based value-driven sorting procedure with attention network, *Information Fusion (INFFUS)*, 2026, 125, 103443, doi: 10.1016/j.inffus.2025.103443. (SCI, EI, **2024 IF=15.5**)
- [5] Gaofeng Yu, **Zhen Zhang**, Jian Wu. A stability analysis for the online retailing cyber security situation piecewise variable weight rating method, *Applied Intelligence*, 2025, 55(18), 1144, doi: 10.1007/s10489-025-06860-0. (SCI, EI, **2024 IF=3.5**)
- [6] Yaya Liu, Yue Wang, Rosa M. Rodríguez, **Zhen Zhang***, Luis Martínez. Automatic consensus models to balance consensus cost, consistency level and consensus degree with attitudinal trust mechanism, *Information Sciences (INS)*, 2025, 716, 122222, doi: 10.1016/j.ins.2025.122222. (SCI, EI, **2024 IF=6.8**)
- [7] Mingshuo Cao, Tiantian Gai, Jian Wu*, Francisco Chiclana, **Zhen Zhang**, Yucheng Dong, Enrique Herrera-Viedma, Francisco Herrera. Social network group decision making: Characterization, taxonomy, challenges and future directions from an AI and LLMs perspective,

Information Fusion (INFFUS), 2025, 120, 103107, doi: 10.1016/j.inffus.2025.103107. (SCI, EI, [2024 IF=15.5, ESI highly cited paper](#))

- [8] Zihang Jia, **Zhen Zhang***, Witold Pedrycz. Generation of granular-balls for clustering based on the principle of justifiable granularity, *IEEE Transactions on Cybernetics (TCYB)*, 2025, 55(4), pp. 1687-1700, doi: 10.1109/TCYB.2025.3534195. (SCI, EI, [2024 IF=10.5, ABS 3](#))
- [9] Zhuolin Li, **Zhen Zhang***, Witold Pedrycz. An incremental preference elicitation-based approach to learning potentially non-monotonic preferences in multi-criteria sorting, *European Journal of Operational Research (EJOR)*, 2025, 323(2), pp. 553-570, doi: 10.1016/j.ejor.2024.11.047. (SCI, EI, [2024 IF=6.0, ABS 4](#))
- [10] Qian Liang, **Zhen Zhang***, Yingsheng Su. Constructive preference elicitation for multi-criteria decision analysis using an estimate-then-select strategy, *Information Fusion (INFFUS)*, 2025, 118, 102926. doi: 10.1016/j.inffus.2024.102926. (SCI, EI, [2024 IF=15.5](#))
- [11] Zhuolin Li, **Zhen Zhang***. Modeling personalized individual semantics in multicriteria decision making with incomplete linguistic preference relations: A preference disaggregation perspective, *IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics: Systems (TSMCS)*, 2025, 55(1), pp. 390-403, doi: 10.1109/TSMC.2024.3472699. (SCI, EI, [2024 IF=8.7, ABS 3](#))
- [12] **Zhen Zhang**, Zhuolin Li*, Wenyu Yu*. Lexicographic optimization-based approaches to learning a representative model for multi-criteria sorting with non-monotonic criteria, *Computers & Operations Research (COR)*, 2025, 175, 106917, doi: 10.1016/j.cor.2024.106917. (SCI, EI, [2024 IF=4.3, ABS 3](#))
- [13] Zhuolin Li, **Zhen Zhang***, Witold Pedrycz. Integrating machine learning models to learn potentially non-monotonic preferences for multi-criteria sorting from large-scale assignment examples, *Omega*, 2025, 131, 103196, doi: 10.1016/j.omega.2024.103219. (SCI, EI, [2024 IF=7.2, ABS 3, 2025 Best Paper Award of Omega](#))
- [14] Shanglei Chai, Wenjun Chu, **Zhen Zhang**, Zhilong Li, Mohammad Zoynul Abedin*. Dynamic nonlinear connectedness between the green bonds, clean energy, and stock price: The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, *Annals of Operations Research (ANOR)*, 2025, in press, doi: 10.1007/s10479-021-04452-y. (SCI, [2024 IF=4.5, ABS 3, ESI highly cited paper](#))
- [15] Shanglei Chai, Zixuan Zhang, **Zhen Zhang***. Carbon price prediction for China's ETS pilots using variational mode decomposition and optimized extreme learning machine, *Annals of*

Operations Research (ANOR), 2025, 345(2-3), pp. 809-830, doi: 10.1007/s10479-021-04392-7. (SCI, 2024 IF=4.5, ABS 3)

- [16] Qian Liang, Chenyu Luo, **Zhen Zhang**, Dong Cheng*. Mining ordinal-cardinal consensus for large-scale group decision making with incomplete fuzzy preference relations, *IEEE Transactions on Fuzzy Systems (TFS)*, 2024, 32(6): 3542-3555, doi: 10.1109/TFUZZ.2024.3375863. (SCI, EI, 2024 IF=11.9)
- [17] Tiantian Gai, Jian Wu*, Changyong Liang, Mingshuo Cao, **Zhen Zhang**. A quality function deployment model by social network and group decision making: application to product design of e-commerce platforms, *Engineering Applications of Artificial Intelligence (EAAI)*, 2024, 133, 108509, doi: 10.1016/j.engappai.2024.108509. (SCI, EI, 2024 IF=8.0)
- [18] Zhuolin Li, **Zhen Zhang**, Wenyu Yu*. Consensus reaching for ordinal classification-based group decision making with heterogeneous preference information, *Journal of the Operational Research Society (JORS)*, 2024, 75(2), pp. 224-245, doi: 10.1080/01605682.2023.2186806. (SCI, SSCI, EI, 2024 IF=2.7, ABS 3, ESI highly cited paper)
- [19] Zhuolin Li, **Zhen Zhang***. Threshold-based value-driven method to support consensus reaching in multicriteria group sorting problems: A minimum adjustment perspective, *IEEE Transactions on Computational Social Systems (TCSS)*, 2024, 11(1), pp. 1230-1243, doi: 10.1109/TCSS.2023.3251351. (SCI, EI, 2024 IF=4.9, ESI highly cited paper)
- [20] Jian Wu, Guangyin Zhang, Yumei Xing, Yujia Liu*, **Zhen Zhang**, Yucheng Dong, Enrique Herrera-Viedma. A sentiment analysis driven method based on public and personal preferences with correlated attributes to select online doctors, *Applied Intelligence (APIN)*, 2023, 53(16), pp. 19093-19114, doi: 10.1007/s10489-023-04485-9. (SCI, EI, 2023 IF=3.4)
- [21] **Zhen Zhang***, Zhuolin Li. Consensus-based TOPSIS-Sort-B for multi-criteria sorting in the context of group decision making, *Annals of Operations Research (ANOR)*, 2023, 325(2), pp. 911-938, doi: 10.1007/s10479-022-04985-w. (SCI, 2023 IF=4.4, ABS 3, ESI highly cited paper)
- [22] Peng Li, Zhiwei Xu, **Zhen Zhang***, Zhuolin Li, Cuiping Wei. Consensus reaching in multi-criteria social network group decision making: A stochastic multicriteria acceptability analysis-based method, *Information Fusion (INFFUS)*, 2023, 97, 101825, doi: 10.1016/j.inffus.2023.101825. (SCI, EI, 2023 IF=14.8, ESI highly cited paper)

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- [24] Tiantian Gai, Mingshuo Cao, Francisco Chiclana, **Zhen Zhang**, Yucheng Dong, Enrique Herrera-Viedma, Jian Wu*. Consensus-trust driven bidirectional feedback mechanism for improving consensus in social network large-group decision making, *Group Decision and Negotiation (GDN)*, 2023, 32(1), pp. 45-74, doi: 10.1007/s10726-022-09798-7. (SSCI, 2023 IF=3.6, **ESI highly cited paper, ESI hot paper**)
- [25] Yiling Yang, Tiantian Gai, Mingshuo Cao, **Zhen Zhang**, Hengjie Zhang, Jian Wu*. Application of group decision making in shipping industry 4.0: Bibliometric analysis, trends and future directions, *Systems*, 2023, 11(2), 69, doi: 10.3390/systems11020069. (SSCI, 2023 IF=2.3, **ESI highly cited paper, ESI hot paper**)
- [26] Yuan Gao, **Zhen Zhang***. Consensus reaching with non-cooperative behavior management for personalized individual semantics-based social network group decision making, *Journal of the Operational Research Society (JORS)*, 2022, 73(11), pp. 2518-2535, doi: 10.1080/01605682.2021.1997654. (SCI, SSCI, EI, 2022 IF=3.6, ABS 3, **ESI highly cited paper, ESI hot paper**)
- [27] Youwei Chen, Pengwei Zhao, **Zhen Zhang**, Juncheng Bai, Yuqi Guo. A stock price forecasting model integrating complementary ensemble empirical mode decomposition and independent component analysis, *International Journal of Computational Intelligence Systems (IJCIS)*, 2022, 15(1), 75, doi: 10.1007/s44196-022-00140-2. (SCI, EI, 2022 IF=2.9)
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- [30] Lin Tang, Leilei Sun, Chonghui Guo, **Zhen Zhang**. Adaptive spectral affinity propagation clustering, *Journal of Systems Engineering and Electronics (JSEE)*, 2022, 33(3), pp. 647-664, doi: 10.23919/JSEE.2022.000060. (SCI, EI, 2022 IF=2.1)

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Invited Talks

- [1] An Incremental Preference Elicitation-Based Approach to Learning Potentially Non-Monotonic Preferences in Multi-Criteria Sorting, South China Normal University (SCNU), Guangzhou, Dec. 15, 2025.
- [2] Data-Driven Preference Learning for Multi-Criteria Sorting Considering Criteria Interactions, Guangzhou University (GZHU), Guangzhou, Dec. 15, 2025.
- [3] Data-Driven Preference Learning for Multi-Criteria Sorting Considering Criteria Interactions, Shantou University (STU), Shantou, Dec. 14, 2025.
- [4] Multi-Granularity Granular-Ball Clustering with Its Applications in Low-Altitude Economy, the

First Forum on Low-Altitude Economy and Management, hosted by Shandong University (Wei-hai), Dec. 13, 2025.

- [5] An Optimization-Driven Framework for Persuader Selection in Social Networks with Opinion Evolution, University of Shanghai for Science and Technology (USST), Shanghai, Dec. 7, 2025.
- [6] An Incremental Preference Elicitation-Based Approach to Learning Potentially Non-Monotonic Preferences in Multi-Criteria Sorting, The 2nd Symposium on Digital Decision-Making, hosted by Shanghai University (SHU), Shanghai, Dec. 6, 2025.
- [7] Data-Driven Preference Learning for Multi-Criteria Sorting Considering Criteria Interactions, Zhejiang Gongshang University (ZJSU), Hangzhou, Nov. 10, 2025.
- [8] Non-Monotonic Preference Learning for Multi-Criteria Sorting, the Second Forum on Intelligent Management, Jinhua, hosted by Shanghai University of Finance and Economics Zhejiang College (SHUFE-ZJ), Nov. 8, 2025.
- [9] An optimization-driven framework for persuader selection in social networks with opinion evolution, Shanghai Maritime University (SHMTU), Shanghai, Nov. 7, 2025.
- [10] Data-Driven Preference Learning for Multi-Criteria Sorting Considering Criteria Interactions, the Forum on Game Theory and Intelligent Decision Making, Xi'an, hosted by Northwestern Polytechnical University (NWPU), Nov. 1, 2025.
- [11] Data-Driven Preference Learning for Multi-Criteria Sorting Considering Criteria Interactions, Xidian University (XDU), Xi'an, Oct. 31, 2025.
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- [13] Data-Driven Preference Learning for Multi-Criteria Sorting Considering Criteria Interactions, the 27th Chinese Conference on Management Sciences, Harbin, Aug. 17, 2025.
- [14] An Incremental Preference Elicitation-Based Approach to Learning Potentially Non-Monotonic Preferences in Multi-Criteria Sorting, the sixth Annual Conference of Intelligent Decision Making and Game Branch, CSOOPM, Hefei, May. 10, 2025.
- [15] Modeling Personalized Individual Semantics in Multi-Criteria Decision Making, Nanjing University of Information Science and Technology (NUIST), May 9, 2025.

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- [17] Group Consensus and Preference Learning for Multi-Criteria Sorting, Jiangsu University of Science and Technology (JUST), Zhenjiang, Oct. 28, 2024.
- [18] Group Consensus and Preference Learning for Multi-Criteria Sorting, Nanjing University of Aeronautics and Astronautics (NUAA), Nanjing, Oct. 20, 2024.
- [19] Modeling Personalized Individual Semantics in Linguistic Decision Making Problems, Nanjing Tech University (NJTU), Nanjing, Oct. 19, 2024.
- [20] Group Consensus and Preference Learning for Multi-Criteria Sorting, Anhui University of Technology (AHUT), Maanshan, Oct. 18, 2024.
- [21] Modeling Personalized Individual Semantics in Linguistic Decision Making, Taiyuan Normal University (TYNU), Online, Oct. 15, 2024.
- [22] Modeling Personalized Individual Semantics in Linguistic Decision Making, the First Chinese Conference on Artificial Intelligence Logic, the 4th International Conference on Artificial Intelligence Logic and Applications, Lanzhou, Aug. 10, 2024.
- [23] Group Consensus and Preference Learning for Multi-Criteria Sorting, Southwest Jiaotong University (SWJTU), Online, Jun. 20, 2024.
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- [27] Consensus Modeling for Group Decision Making Under Multi-Criteria Sorting Context: A Minimum Adjustment Perspective, University of Shanghai for Science and Technology (USST), Dec. 4, 2023.
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- [29] Threshold-Based Value-Driven Method to Support Consensus Reaching in Multicriteria Group Sorting Problems: A Minimum Adjustment Perspective, Nanjing University of Information Science and Technology (NUIST), Online, Apr. 7, 2023.
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- [33] Consensus Modeling for Linguistic Group Decision Making: A Perspective of Personalized Individual Semantics, Anhui University (AHU), Online, Apr. 21, 2022.
- [34] Consensus Modeling for Group Decision Making Considering Bounded Confidence Levels, the First Annual Conference of Intelligent Decision Making and Game Branch, CSCOPEM and the Forum for Data-Driven Decision and Game, Nanjing, Nov. 28, 2020.
- [35] Fusion Models for Multi-Granular Linguistic Distributions and Their Applications in Large-Scale Group Decision Making, the Workshop on Innovative Operation Mode and Intelligent Decision, Liaoning University (LNU), Online, Jul. 4, 2020.
- [36] Managing Linguistic Information in Group Decision Making: A Perspective of Linguistic Distributions, the Forum for Intelligent Decision and Management, The 20th Annual Conference of Systems Engineering Society of China, Chengdu, Oct. 28, 2018.

Courses Teaching

- **Fundamentals of Data Science**, Postgraduates, Spring 2025, 2026
- **Complex Network and Complex Systems**, Postgraduates, Autumn 2024, 2025
- **Theories and Methods for Data-Driven Decision Making**, Postgraduates, Spring 2025, 2026
- **Decision Analysis: Theories and Methods**, Undergraduates, Spring, 2024, 2025, 2026
- **Introduction to Big Data**, Undergraduates, Autumn 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025
- **Decision Theories and Methods**, Postgraduates, Spring 2021, 2022, 2023 2024

- **Complex Network: Theories and Methods**, Postgraduates, Autumn 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023
- **Business Statistics and R**, Undergraduates, Autumn 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022
- **Principles of Management**, Undergraduates, Autumn 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021
- **Information and Knowledge Management**, Postgraduates, Spring 2016
- **Introduction to Knowledge Management**, Undergraduates, Summer 2016

Supervised Students

Ph.D. Students

- Qianqian Chen, enrolled in Sep. 2025
- Zihang Jia, enrolled in Sep. 2024
- Zhuolin Li, enrolled in Sep. 2022
- Yuan Gao, enrolled in Sep. 2021
- Wenyu Yu (co-supervisor), graduated in Sep. 2021
- Shaonan Liu (co-supervisor), graduated in June. 2021
- Weiwei Liu (co-supervisor), graduated in June. 2021

Master Students

- Junting Guo, Shanshan Miao and Xiaotong Wu, enrolled in Sep. 2025
- Fu Xing and Zhihe Yu, enrolled in Sep. 2024
- Ying Li, Zitong Li, Ziyu Xu, enrolled in Sep. 2023
- Yuan Jin, Jize Luo and Yimingxuan Zhou (graduated in June 2025); Nan Yuan and Xiaoyun Zhang (graduated in June 2024); Jinfang Gu and Shuyao Shen (graduated in June 2023); Zhuolin Li, Siyuan Ji and Nan Wang (graduated in June 2022); Yuan Gao (graduated in June 2021); Junliang Gao (graduated in June 2020); Xinyue Kou (graduated in June 2019)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Memberships & Professions

- Senior Member, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)
- Member, INFORMS, INFORMS-GDN Section
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- Member, European Society for Fuzzy Logic and Technology (EUSFLAT)
- Member, Systems Engineering Society of China (SESC)
- Member, Operations Research Society of China (ORSC)
- Member, China Computer Federation (CCF)
- Member, Chinese Association of Automation of China (CAA)
- Member, Chinese Society of Optimization, Overall Planning and Economic Mathematics (CSOOPEM)
- Member, Chinese Association for Artificial Intelligence (CAAI)
- Committee member and Vice secretary-general, Data Science and Knowledge Systems Engineering Branch, SESC
- Executive board member, Intelligent Decision Making and Game Branch, CSOOPEM
- Board member, Uncertain Systems Branch, ORSC
- Committee member, the Youth Working Committee, CSOOPEM
- Vice secretary-general, Business Intelligence Professional Committee of the Chinese Society for Management Modernization (CSMM) (Since 2016)
- Reviewer for the National Nature Science Foundation of China (NSFC) (Since 2018)

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- **Area Editor** of International Journal of Computational Intelligence Systems (SCI, IF: 3.0), since Jul. 2024
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- **Associate Editor** of Journal of Ambient Intelligence and Humanized Computing (IF: 3.662), since Jul. 2022
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- **Associate Editor** of Kybernetes (SCI, IF: 2.9), Jan. 2019 - Apr. 2025
- **Editorial Board Member** of Information Fusion (SCI, IF: 15.5), since Jul. 2023
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- **Editorial Advisory Board Member** of Kybernetes (SCI, IF: 2.9), since Apr. 2025
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- **Academic Editor** of Complexity (SCI, IF: 1.7), since Jan. 2021
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- **Associate Editor** of Frontiers in Artificial Intelligence (Logic and Reasoning in AI Section, ESCI, IF: 4.7), since Jan. 2020
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- **Associate Editor** of Frontiers in Applied Mathematics and Statistics (Optimization Section, ESCI, IF: 1.5), since May 2020
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- **Topical Advisory Panel Member** of Mathematics (SCI, IF: 2.3), since June 2022
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 - The International Conference on Intelligent Systems and Knowledge Engineering (ISKE, 2013, 2017, 2019, 2024)
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 - Joint 17th World Congress of International Fuzzy Systems Association and 9th International Conference on Soft Computing and Intelligent Systems (IFSA-SCIS 2017)
 - The 16th World Congress of the International Fuzzy Systems Association and the 9th Conference of the European Society for Fuzzy Logic and Technology (IFSA-EUSFLAT 2015)
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 - “Intelligent Group Decision Making and Consensus Process”, in the International Conference on Group Decision and Negotiation (GDN 2021, GDN 2022, GDN 2023, GDN 2025, GDN 2026), co-organized by Zhen Zhang, Yucheng Dong, Francisco Chiclana and Enrique Herrera-Videma.

- “Data and Network-Driven Decision Analysis”, in the Annual Conference on Data Science and Knowledge Systems Engineering, Systems Engineering Society of China, 2020, 2025, co-organized by Zhen Zhang, Jian Wu and Yucheng Dong.
- “Data and Network-Driven Decision Analysis”, in the 2021 Annual Conference on Data Science and Knowledge Systems Engineering, Systems Engineering Society of China, co-organized by Zhen Zhang and Yucheng Dong.
- “Consensus for large-scale Group Decision Making”, in the 2020 International Conference on System Science and Engineering 2020 (ICSSE 2020), co-organized by Jian Wu, Yucheng Dong, Zaiwu Gong, Yejun Xu and Zhen Zhang.
- “Managing Uncertainty in Data-Driven Decision Making”, in the 14th International FLINS Conference on Robotics and Artificial Intelligence (FLINS 2020), co-organized by Zhen Zhang, Yucheng Dong and Yejun Xu.
- “Data-Driven Decision Making with Uncertainty”, in the 14th International Conference on Intelligent Systems and Knowledge Engineering (ISKE 2019), co-organized by Luis Martínez, Yucheng Dong and Zhen Zhang.
- “Group Decision Making in Social Networks”, in the 49th International Conference on Computers & Industrial Engineering (CIE 49), co-organized by Jian Wu, Yucheng Dong, Zaiwu Gong, Yejun Xu and Zhen Zhang.
- “Consensus Process in Group Decision Making”, in the 18th International Conference on Group Decision and Negotiation (GDN 2018), co-organized by Yucheng Dong, Zaiwu Gong, Jian Wu, Zhen Zhang and Haiming Liang.
- “Intelligent Decision Support Systems: Models, Methods and Applications”, in the 12th International Conference on Intelligent Systems and Knowledge Engineering (ISKE 2017), co-organized by Zhen Zhang and Jialin Han.