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# **EDUCATION**

#### National University of Singapore, Singapore

2020 - Present

Ph.D. Candidate in Operations Research and Analytics

Advisors: Joel Goh, Sıdıka Tunç Candoğan

University of Science and Technology of China, China

2016 - 2019

M.S. in Management Science and Engineering

Jiangnan University, China

2012 - 2016

B.S. in Industrial Engineering

#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Topics: Data-Driven Operations in Healthcare; Behavioral Interventions; Mental Health Platforms

Methodologies: Econometric Analysis; Field Experiments; Data Analytics

# Published Work

#### <sup>P</sup> Practitioner co-author

- Guang Cheng, Jingui Xie, Zhichao Zheng, <sup>P</sup>Haidong Luo, <sup>P</sup>Oon-Cheong Ooi. Extubation Decisions with Predictive Information for Mechanically Ventilated Patients in the ICU. *Management Science*. 2024. Article in Advance.
- 2. <sup>P</sup>Stephanie Q. Ko, Guang Cheng, <sup>P</sup>Tze Yeong Teng, Joel Goh. Home-First or Hospital-First? A Propensity Score-Weighted Retrospective Cohort Study. *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association*, 2024, 25(9):105154.
- Guang Cheng, Sarah Y. Gao, Yancheng Yuan, Chenxiao Zhang, Zhichao Zheng. On the Test Accuracy and Effective Control of the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Case Study in Singapore. INFORMS Journal on Applied Analytics, 2022, 52(6):524-538.
- Jingui Xie, Guang Cheng, Zhichao Zheng, PHaidong Luo, POon-Cheong Ooi. To Extubate or Not to Extubate: Risk Factors for Extubation Failure and Deterioration with Further Mechanical Ventilation. Journal of Cardiac Surgery, 2019, 34(10): 1004–1011.

### WORKING PAPERS

- 5. Guang Cheng, Sıdıka Tunç Candoğan, Joel Goh, Bilal Gokpinar. The Role of Contextual Information in Customer Reviews: A Field Experiment on a Mental Health Platform. **Major Revision** at *Management Science*.
  - Finalist, 2025 POMS PITM Best Student Paper Competition

- Select for presentation at Workshop on Empirical Operations Management 2025
- Guang Cheng, <sup>P</sup>Joshua M. Hagood, <sup>P</sup>Ryan L. Melvin, <sup>P</sup>Adam F. Kohutnicki, <sup>P</sup>Mitchell H. Tsai, Joel Goh. The Impact of Introducing Release Times for Operating Rooms on Surgery Waiting Times.

# WORK-IN-PROGRESS

- 7. Incentive Design for Hospital at Home (with Joel Goh, Eryn J. He, Sergei Savin)
- 8. Appointment Management in Outpatient Clinics (with Joel Goh and Hong Ming Tan)
- 9. Retain Clients on Mental Health Platforms Using Behavioral Nudges (with Sıdıka Tunç Candoğan and Yueyang Zhong)

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### Instructor

• DAO1704 Decision Analytics using Spreadsheets (BBA core)

Spring 2023

- $\circ\,$  Teaching evaluation: 4.2/5 (department average: 4.0)
- o Teaching Excellence Award for Graduate Instructor

#### **Guest Lecturer**

• DBA4811 Analytics for Consulting (BBA)

Spring 2025

- Conducted two lectures on machine learning techniques and their applications.
- PHM5014 Causal Inference in Precision Medicine (MScPHM)

Fall 2024

Presented the Safe Space experiment to illustrate real-world applications of causal inference,
demonstrating how empirical methods inform policy and operational decisions in real business.

#### Teaching Assistant

• DBA4811 Analytics for Consulting (BBA)	Spring 2025
• DBA5103 Operations Research and Analytics (MSBA)	Fall 2022
• IE4214 Revenue Management and Pricing Analytics (BEng)	Spring 2022

# Conference Presentations

The Role of Contextual Information in Customer Reviews: A Field Experiment on a Mental Health Platform

• INFORMS Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, USA (scheduled)	Oct 2025
• MSOM Conference, London, UK (scheduled)	June 2025
• POMS Annual Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, USA (scheduled)	May 2025
• Workshop on Empirical Operations Management, Hong Kong, China	$\mathrm{Jan}\ 2025$
• The 15th POMS-HK International Conference, Hong Kong, China	Jan 2025
• INFORMS Annual Meeting, Seattle, Washington, USA	Oct 2024
• The 16th International Annual Conference of CSAMSE, Xiamen, China	Jul 2024

The Impact of Introducing Release Policy for Operating Rooms on Surgery Waiting Times

• INFORMS Annual Meeting, Phoenix, Arizona, USA	Oct 2023
• POMS Annual Conference, Orlando, Florida, USA	May 2023
• The 13th POMS-HK International Conference, Hong Kong, China	Jan 2023

• INFORMS Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, Indiana, USA Oct 2022 • POMS Annual Conference, Orlando, Florida, USA (Online) Apr 2022 Extubation Decisions with Predictive Information for Mechanically Ventilated Patients in ICU • POMS Annual Conference, Orlando, Florida, USA (Online) Apr 2022 • The 13th International Annual Conference of CSAMSE, Shanghai, China (Online) Jul 2021 • The 10th POMS-HK International Conference, Hong Kong, China Jan 2019 Professional Experience • Visiting Scholar, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, Virginia, USA, Aug 2023 – Dec 2023 • Research Assistant, Singapore Management University, Singapore, Jul 2019 – Jun 2020 SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES Journal Reviewer • Humanities and Social Sciences Communications Conference Reviewer • MSOM 2025 Conference Session Chair • INFORMS Annual Meeting Oct 2025 • INFORMS International Meeting Jul 2025 • POMS-HK International Conference Jan 2025 • POMS Annual Conference May 2023 • Analytics for X Conference Sept 2022 • POMS Annual Conference Apr 2022 **Organizing Committee** • Analytics for X Conference Sept 2021 Honors and Awards

• Finalist, POMS PITM Best Student Paper Competition	2025
• Teaching Excellence Award for Graduate Instructor	2023
• NUS Research Scholarship, National University of Singapore	2020-2024
• JData Data Mining Competition Top 10, JD.com, inc.	2017
• National Scholarship, Ministry of Education of People's Republic of China	2015

#### SKILLS

Programming & Packages: Python, R, MATLAB, SQL, Gurobi

Languages: English (Fluent), Mandarin (Native)