CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

• Doctor of Philosophy

08/2022

- Engineering Systems and Design, Singapore University of Technology and Design, Singapore
- Advisor: Associate Professor Lingjie Duan (Associate Head of Pillar)
- Bachelor of Engineering

06/2017

- Information Engineering, South China University of Technology, Guangzhou, Guangdong, China

WORKING EXPERIENCE

• Research Fellow

09/2022 - 02/2026 (expected)

- Engineering Systems and Design Pillar, Singapore University of Technology and Design, Singapore
- Advisor: Associate Professor Lingjie Duan (Associate Head of Pillar)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- LLM-enhanced network optimization theory
- LLM alignment
- mobile crowdsourcing
- Game theory and mechanism design

AWARDS

- SUTD President's Graduate Fellowship, 2017 2022.
- ACM MobiHoc 2019/SIGMobile student travel grant.

PUBLICATIONS

- Journal papers
 - (J3) **Shugang Hao** and Lingjie Duan, "To Save Mobile Crowdsourcing from Cheap-talk: A Game Theoretic Learning Approach," IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing (**IEEE TMC**), vol. 23, no. 8, pp. 8418-8430, August 2024.
 - (J2) **Shugang Hao** and Lingjie Duan, "To Help or Disturb: Introduction of Crowdsourced WiFi to 5G Networks," IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing (**IEEE TMC**), vol. 22, no. 9, pp. 5583-5596, September 2023.
 - (J1) **Shugang Hao** and Lingjie Duan, "Regulating Competition in Age of Information under Network Externalities," IEEE Journal on Selected Areas in Communications (**IEEE JSAC**), vol. 38, no. 4, pp. 697-710, April 2020.

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• Conference papers

- (C5) **Shugang Hao***, Hongbo Li* and Lingjie Duan, "To Theoretically Understand Transformer-Based In-Context Learning for Optimizing CSMA", in ACM International Symposium on Mobile Ad Hoc Networking and Computing (**ACM MobiHoc**), Houston, Texas, USA, Oct. 27-30, 2025. (* The two authors contributed equally to this work.)
- (C4) Shugang Hao and Lingjie Duan, "Online Learning from Strategic Human Feedback in LLM Fine-Tuning", IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing (IEEE ICASSP, oral), Hyderabad, India, April 6-11, 2025.
- (C3) Shugang Hao and Lingjie Duan, "Algorithm Design for Continual Learning in IoT Networks", IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing (IEEE ICASSP), Hyderabad, India, April 6-11, 2025.
- (C2) **Shugang Hao** and Lingjie Duan, "To Save Crowdsourcing from Cheap-Talk: Strategic Learning from Biased Users," in the 21th International Symposium on Modeling and Optimization in Mobile, Ad hoc, and Wireless Networks (**IEEE WiOpt**), Singapore, August 24-27, 2023.
- (C1) **Shugang Hao** and Lingjie Duan, "Economics of Age of Information Management under Network Externalities," in ACM International Symposium on Mobile Ad Hoc Networking and Computing (ACM MobiHoc), Catania, Italy, July 2-5, 2019.

TEACHING EXPERIENCES

• Teaching Assistant

ESD-40.012 Manufacturing and Service Operation, 2020 Spring & 2019 Spring, Singapore University of Technology and Design.

SERVICES

• Conference Chairs

- Web Chair, ACM SenSys 2024, Hangzhou.
- Local Arrangement Chair, AIoTSys 2024, Hangzhou.
- Local Arrangement Chair, IEEE/IFIP WiOpt 2023, Singapore.

• Technical Program Committee Member

- AIoTSys 2024, Hangzhou.

• Technical Reviewers

- IEEE Journal on Selected Areas in Communications,
- IEEE Transactions on Networking,
- IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing,
- IEEE Internet of Things Journal,
- IEEE Transactions on Wireless Communications,
- ACM Transactions on Sensor Networks,
- IEEE Transactions on Communications,
- IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology,
- IEEE Transactions on Cognitive Communications and Networking,

- IEEE Communication Letters.
- IEEE Wireless Communications Magazine,
- ACM MobiHoc Symposium, IEEE SECON, IEEE ICC, IEEE GLOBECOM, IJCNN.

• Professional Membership

- Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE),
- IEEE Communications Society.

INVITED TALKS

- "The Economics of Competition under Network Externalities,"
 - at Fuzhou University (online), 12/01/2024.
 - at Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou, Guangdong, China, 14/09/2023.
- "To Help or Disturb: Introduction of Crowdsourced WiFi to 5G Networks,"
 - at South China University of Technology, Guangzhou, Guangdong, China, 12/09/2023,
 - at Northwest Normal University (online), 29/09/2022.
- "To Save Crowdsourcing from Cheap-talk: Strategic Learning from Biased Users,"
 - at Sun Yat-sen University (Zhuhai Campus), Zhuhai, Guangdong, China, 09/09/2023.
- "Economics of Age of Information Management under Network Externalities,"
 - at Guangdong University of Technology, Guangzhou, Guangdong, China, 31/08/2019,
 - at Shenzhen Institutes of Advanced Technology, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Shenzhen, Guangdong, China, 30/08/2019,
 - at South China University of Technology, Guangzhou, Guangdong, China, 27/08/2019.