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EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT

- **Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, USA.** Aug 2020 – present.
Assistant Professor in Quantitative Methods, Krannert School of Management
Homepage: <https://tlim0213.github.io>
- **Fields Institute, Toronto, Canada.** Mar – Jul 2019 & Mar – Jul 2020.
Fields Research Fellow
- **ShanghaiTech University, Shanghai, China.** Sep 2018 – Jun 2020.
Assistant Professor of Mathematics
- **University of Oxford, Oxford, UK.** Oct 2016 – Aug 2018.
Postdoctoral Research Assistant
- **Technische Universität Wien, Vienna, Austria.** May – Sep 2016.
Postdoctoral Research Assistant
- **University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada.** Sep 2011 – May 2016.
PhD in Mathematics

RESEARCH INTERESTS

(i) (Martingale–) Optimal Transport in multi-dimensions and its applications to Economics, Finance and Statistics, (ii) Analysis of Variational problems arising in Physics, Geometry and Data Science, and (iii) Cooperative Game Theory in light of combinatorial Hodge Theory.

PUBLICATIONS

- **On the structure of optimal martingale transport in higher dimensions.** *PhD thesis*. [Link](#)
- with N. Ghoussoub and Y-H. Kim. **Structure of optimal martingale transport in general dimensions.** *Annals of Probability*, 2019. Journal
- with M. Beiglböck and J. Oblój. **Dual attainment for the martingale transport problem.** *Bernoulli*, 2019. Journal
- **Optimal martingale transport between radially symmetric marginals in general dimensions.** *Stochastic Processes and their Applications*, 2020. Journal
- with N. Ghoussoub and Y-H. Kim. **Optimal Brownian stopping when the source and target are radially symmetric distributions.** *SIAM Journal on Control and Optimization*, 2020. Journal
- with S. Eckstein, G. Guo and J. Oblój. **Robust pricing and hedging of options on multiple assets and its numerics.** *SIAM Journal on Financial Mathematics*, 2021. Journal arXiv
- with K. Kang, H. Kim and G. Seo. **Uniqueness and characterization of local minimizers for the interaction energy with mildly repulsive potentials.** *Calculus of Variations and Partial Differential Equations*, 2021. Journal arXiv
- with R.J. McCann. **Geometrical bounds for the variance and recentered moments.** *Mathematics of Operations Research*, 2021. Journal arXiv
- with R.J. McCann. **Isodiametry, variance, and regular simplices from particle interactions.** *Archive for Rational Mechanics and Analysis*, 2021. Journal arXiv

- with R.J. McCann. **On Fejes Tóth's conjectured maximizer for the sum of angles between lines.** *Applied Mathematics and Optimization*, 2021. [Journal](#) [arXiv](#)
- with R.J. McCann. **Maximizing powers of the angle between pairs of points in projective space.** [arXiv](#)
- with R.J. McCann. **On the cardinality of sets in \mathbb{R}^d obeying a slightly obtuse angle bound.** [arXiv](#)
- **Geometry of multi-marginal martingale optimal transportations and duality.** [arXiv](#)
- **A Hodge theoretic extension of Shapley axioms.** [arXiv](#)
- **Hodge theoretic reward allocation for generalized cooperative games on graphs.** [arXiv](#)
- with C. Davis and R.J. McCann. **Classifying minimum energy states for interacting particles (I) – Spherical shells.** [arXiv](#)
- with C. Davis and R.J. McCann. **Classifying minimum energy states for interacting particles (II) – Regular simplices.** [forthcoming](#)

WORK IN PROGRESS

- with R.J. McCann. **Geometry of optimizers on the sphere for intrinsic interaction energy.**
- with J. Zoen-Git Hiew, B. Pass and M. Souza. **Modularity, Legendre transform, and multi-marginal martingale optimal transportations.**

INVITED TALKS & LECTURES

- Dec 2020. *Canadian Mathematical Society Winter Meeting.* [online](#). [Link](#) [Video](#)
- Oct-Nov 2020. *Four lecture series.* [online](#). [Link](#)
- Feb 2020. *Colloquium.* Krannert School of Management, Purdue University, USA.
- Oct 2019. *Korean Mathematical Society (KMS) Annual Meeting.* Hong-Ik University, Seoul, Korea.
- Oct 2019. *Analysis & PDE Seminar.* Georgia Institute of Technology, USA. [Link](#)
- Apr 2019. *Analysis & Applied Math Seminar.* University of Toronto, Canada.
- Mar 2019. *Colloquium Seminar.* Pusan National University, Korea.
- Aug 2018. *Mathematics Seminar.* Seoul National University, Korea.
- Jun 2018. *Mathematical Finance Internal Seminar.* University of Oxford, UK.
- May 2018. *CMO Workshop 18w5080: Stochastic Analysis and its Applications.* Mexico. [Link](#) [Video](#)
- May 2018. *Mathematics Seminar.* University of Bath, UK.
- Apr 2018. *Mathematics Seminar.* University of Central Florida, USA.
- Dec 2017. *Vienna Seminar in Mathematical Finance and Probability.* University of Vienna, Austria.
- Dec 2017. *Mathematics Seminar.* Dublin City University, Ireland.
- Sep 2017. *Martingale Optimal Transport (and Friends).* University of Oxford, UK. [Link](#)
- Jul 2017. *Stochastic Processes and their Applications (SPA) 2017.* Moscow, Russia. [Link](#)
- May 2017. *Oxford-Princeton Workshop on Financial Mathematics & Stochastic Analysis.* UK. [Link](#)
- Jan 2017. *Mathematics Seminar.* Strasbourg University, France.
- Jan 2017. *Advances in Financial Mathematics.* Paris, France. [Link](#)
- Jan 2017. *Mathematics Seminar.* Ecole Polytechnique, Palaiseau, France.

- Jan 2017. *Paris Bachelier Seminar*. Paris, France. [Link](#)
- Nov 2016. *Mathematical Finance Internal Seminar*. University of Oxford, UK. [Link](#)
- Nov 2016. *Model Uncertainty & Robust Finance*. University of Milan, Italy.
- Jul 2016. *Mathematics Seminar*. Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa, Italy.
- Jun 2016. *Mathematics Seminar*. Yonsei University, Seoul, Korea.
- Apr 2016. *Optimal Transportation, Equilibrium, and Applications to Economics*. NYU, USA. [Link](#)
- Mar 2016. *Skorokhod embeddings, Martingale Optimal Transport and their applications*. UK. [Link](#)
- Feb 2016. *Vienna Seminar in Mathematical Finance and Probability*. TU Wien, Austria. [Link](#)
- Sep 2015. *Mathematics Seminar*. Ecole Polytechnique, Palaiseau, France.
- Sep 2015. *European Summer School In Financial Mathematics*. Le Mans, France. [Link](#)
- Aug 2015. *KIAS CMC minischool on Analysis, Geometry, and Optimal Transport*. KIAS, Korea. [Link](#)

ACADEMIC SERVICE & CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION

- Organizer for *ShanghaiTech-Yonsei Mathematics Conference*, 15-16 Nov 2019. [Link](#)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Krannert School of Management, Purdue University

Assistant Professor in Quantitative Methods

2020 – present
West Lafayette, IN, USA

- MGMT 47400-001,002 : Predictive Analytics. Spring 2021.
- MGMT 47400-001,002,003 : Predictive Analytics. Fall 2021. (scheduled)
- MGMT 69000 : Advanced Problems in Management – Optimal Transport Problems. Spring 2022. (scheduled)

ShanghaiTech University

Assistant Professor of Mathematics

2018 – 2020
Shanghai, China

- Stochastic Processes (for 3rd & 4th grades). 2019.
- Linear Algebra (for 2nd grades). 2018.

University of Oxford

Class Tutor

2018
Oxford, UK

- Class Tutor for B8.3 Mathematical Models of Financial Derivatives. 2018.

University of British Columbia

Teaching Assistant and Instructor

2011 – 2016
Vancouver, BC, Canada

- Instructor for MATH 101 (Integral Calculus with Applications to Physics and Engineering). 2016.
- Instructor for Workshops (Direct student groups towards solving math problems). 2015.
- TA for MATH 121 (Honours Integral Calculus). 2015.
- TA for MATH 441 (Mathematical Modeling: Discrete Optimization Problems). 2014.
- TA for MATH 424 (Classical Differential Geometry). 2012 – 2013.

HONOURS & AWARDS

- Fields Research Fellowship. Jul – Dec 2020. University of Toronto, Canada. [Link](#)
- Fields Research Fellowship. June 2019. University of Toronto, Canada. [Link](#)

- Four Year Doctoral Fellowship (4YF) recipient. 2011 – 2015. University of British Columbia, Canada.
- Kwanjeong Scholarship recipient. 2011 – 2016. Kwanjeong Educational Foundation, Seoul, Korea. [Link](#)
- Seoul Scholarship recipient. 2008 – 2010. Seoul Metropolitan Government, Korea.

OTHERS

Military service

- Sergeant. Republic of Korea army. Nov 2000 – Jan 2003.

For the underprivileged

- Supporting four unprivileged children in Tanzania, Nicaragua, Philippines and Mexico for their living and education through CompassionUK.org. 2006 – present.
- Weekly voluntary mathematics teaching for unprivileged children under the guidance of pastor Pyun. 2006 – 2011. Geoyeo-Dong, Seoul, Korea.

Hobbies

- Basketball, Baseball, Snowboarding, Weight training, Playing Piano, Listening Music.