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ACADEMIC POSITIONS	Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, USA Assistant Professor, Visiting Assistant Professor, Information Science, Bowers Computing & Information Science	<b>Jul 2023 –</b> Jan 2023 – Jun 2023
	Faculty Affiliate, Cornell Center for Social Sciences	Jul 2022 –
	Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, USA Research Assistant Professor, Kellogg School of Management	Aug 2022 – Jun 2023
	Research Fellow, Center for Science of Science & Innovation	Sep 2019 –
	Researcher in Residence, Northwestern Institute on Complex Systems	Aug 2016 –
	Microsoft Research, Redmond, WA, USA Visiting Researcher, Microsoft Academic Graph Analytics	Oct 2018 – Nov 2018
	Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA, USA Visiting Scholar, College of Information Sciences & Technology	Jul 2015 – Oct 2015
	Peking University, Beijing, China Undergraduate Research Assistant, Center for Information Sciences	May 2014 – Jun 2016
EDUCATION	Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, USA Ph.D., Industrial Engineering & Management Sciences Thesis: Essays on the Science of Science and Innovation Committee: Noshir Contractor, Dashun Wang & Jorge Nocedal	Aug 2022
	Peking University, Beijing, China B.Sc., Statistics	Jun 2016
	<b>B.Ec.</b> , Economics	Jun 2016
SELECTED AWARDS	<ul> <li>Postdoctoral Speaker Award Finalist, APS Statistical and Nonlinear Phys</li> <li>Top 25 Papers in Social Sciences and Human Behaviour, Nature Commu</li> <li>Conference Travel Award, Northwestern University</li> <li>Rising Star in Data Science (Spotlight), University of Chicago</li> <li>Complex Systems Scholarship, Young Researchers in Complex Systems</li> <li>Top 100 Most-discussed Papers across All Sciences, Altmetric.com</li> <li>Conference Scholarship, Network Science Society Conference</li> <li>Young Network Scientist Award, Society of Young Network Scientists</li> <li>Graduate Fellowship, Northwestern University</li> </ul>	nications 2022 2021 2021

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

¶: equal contributions. Underline: students and postdocs I have mentored.

## JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

[1] Zihang Lin, **Yian Yin**, Lu Liu & Dashun Wang (2023)
SciSciNet: A large-scale open datalake for the science of science research
Scientific Data, **10**, 1: 315. 10.1038/s41597-023-02198-9

[2] Yian Yin, Yuxiao Dong, Kuansan Wang, Dashun Wang & Benjamin F. Jones (2022) Public use and public funding of science *Nature Human Behaviour*, 6, 10: 1344–1350. 10.1038/s41562-022-01397-5 Previous version: NBER Working Paper w28748

[3] Jian Gao, **Yian Yin**, Kyle R. Myers, Karim R. Lakhani & Dashun Wang (2021) Potentially long-lasting effects of the pandemic on scientists *Nature Communications*, **1**, 12: 6188, 10.1038/s41467-021-26428-z

[4] Yian Yin<sup>¶</sup>, Jian Gao<sup>¶</sup>, Benjamin F. Jones & Dashun Wang (2021) Coevolution of policy and science during the pandemic Science, 371, 6525: 128–130. 10.1126/science.abe3084

[5] Kyle R. Myers, Wei Yang Tham, Yian Yin, Nina Cohodes, Jerry G. Thursby, Marie C. Thursby, Peter Schiffer, Joseph T. Walsh, Karim R. Lakhani & Dashun Wang (2020) Unequal effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on scientists Nature Human Behaviour, 4, 9: 880–883. 10.1038/s41562-020-0921-y

[6] Jichao Li, Yian Yin, Santo Fortunato & Dashun Wang (2020) Scientific elite revisited: Patterns of productivity, collaboration, authorship and impact Journal of the Royal Society Interface, 17, 165: 20200135. 10.1098/rsif.2020.0135

[7] Yian Yin, Yang Wang, James A. Evans & Dashun Wang (2019) Quantifying the dynamics of failure across science, startups and security *Nature*, 575, 7781: 190–194. 10.1038/s41586-019-1725-y

[8] Jichao Li, Yian Yin, Santo Fortunato & Dashun Wang (2019) Nobel laureates are almost the same as us Nature Reviews Physics, 1, 5: 301–303. 10.1038/s42254-019-0057-z

[9] Jichao Li, Yian Yin, Santo Fortunato & Dashun Wang (2019) A dataset of publication records for Nobel laureates Scientific Data, 6, 1: 33. 10.1038/s41597-019-0033-6

[10] **Yian Yin** & Dashun Wang (2017)

The time dimension of science: Connecting the past to the future *Journal of Informetrics*, **11**, 2: 608–621. 10.1016/j.joi.2017.04.002

# WORKING PAPERS

[11] Ryan R. Hill<sup>¶</sup>, **Yian Yin**<sup>¶</sup>, Carolyn Stein, Dashun Wang & Benjamin F. Jones Adaptability and the pivot penalty in science and technology R&R, *Nature*. Preprint: *SSRN* 3886142

## SELECTED WORK IN PROGRESS

[12] **Yian Yin** & Dashun Wang

The drifting frontiers between science and society

[13] **Yian Yin** & Dashun Wang Understanding the punctuated dynamics of scientific and technological frontiers

[14] **Yian Yin** & Dashun Wang Universal limits of learning

[16] Mengyi Sun, Sukwoong Choi & Yian Yin Artificial Intelligence accerlerates and diversifies structural biology research [17] Yangfanyu Yang & Yian Yin Knowledge densification and slowed progress in science and technology [18] Wenxuan Tang & Yian Yin Women health-related innovations have lower success rates in paper, patent, and drug reviews [19] Yang Wang, Yian Yin, Lu Liu & Dashun Wang Funding and the end of hot streaks in scientific careers [20] Yifan Qian, Jian Gao, Yian Yin, Benjamin F. Jones, Peter Schifer & Dashun Wang Research topic diversity and convergence among US research universities [21] Jian Gao, Yian Yin, Feixiong Cheng & Dashun Wang Structural transition in scientific knowledge predicts development of novel drugs [22] Alexander C. Furnas, Jian Gao, **Yian Yin** & Dashun Wang The political mobilization of scientists and inventors in the United States **PATENTS** [23] Dashun Wang, Yian Yin, Yang Wang & James A. Evans System and method to predict success based on analysis of failure US Patent Application 17/061,112 **GRANTS**  Proposal lead writer, "Understanding the early predictive signals of exceptional careers", Schmidt Futures Foundation. [Pending] Proposal lead writer, "Developing a quantitative framework to track and assess state-level policy responses to the COVID-19 pandemic", Peter G. Peterson Foundation, \$150,000, 2021/04. • Co-PI/Organizer, "Summer Institute in Computational Social Science (Chicago)", Social Science Research Council, \$8,200, 2021/02. Proposal lead writer, "Quantifying the effects of COVID-19 pandemic on scientific workforce", Department of Defense Minerva Award, \$309,562, 2020/05. PI, "Structures and dynamics of package ecosystems", SICSS Research Grant, \$2,000, 2018/08. **TUTORIALS** • Toward a quantitative understanding of failure • International Conference on Computational Social Science (IC<sup>2</sup>S<sup>2</sup>) 2022/07 **TALKS** • Panelist, Broadening the Agenda of SciSci for Innovation Scholarship in Management Academy of Management Annual Meeting, Boston, MA 2023/08 • Invited speaker, NBER Summer Institute Innovation workshop National Bureau of Economic Research, Boston, MA 2023/07 • Invited speaker, Science Foo Camp Google X, Mountain View, CA 2023/07 • Plenary speaker, Metascience 2023 National Academy of Sciences, Washington, DC 2023/05 • Invited talk, The Science of Networks in Communities (SONIC) Northwestern University, Evanston, IL 2023/04

Quantifying the immediate impact of Large Language Models on career choice

[15] Teng Ye<sup>¶</sup>, Morgan Frank<sup>¶</sup> & Yian Yin<sup>¶</sup>

• <b>Speaker award session</b> , APS - Statistical and Nonlinear Physics American Physics Society March Meeting, Las Vegas, NV	2023/03
• Invited talk, Computational Social Science Seminar MIT Media Lab, Cambridge, MA	2022/12
• Invited talk, Knowledge Engineering Group Seminar Tsinghua University (online)	2022/11
• Invited talk, INFORMS Annual Meeting Indianapolis, IN	2022/10
• <b>Keynote speaker</b> , World Rechallenge Forum, FAILEXPO Ministry of the Interior and Safety, Korea	2022/10
• Panelist, Mathematical Methods in Social Sciences Swarma Club Computational Social Science Workshop (online)	2022/09
• Invited talk, International Workshop on Data-driven Science of Science KDD 2022, Washington, DC	2022/08
• Invited talk, Industrial Engineering Seminar Tsinghua University (online)	2022/07
• Panelist, The Science of Team Science and Innovation NetSci 2022, Shanghai, China (online)	2022/07
• <b>Keynote</b> , International Conference on Science of Science and Innovation National Academy of Sciences, Washington, DC	2022/06
• Invited talk, School of Public Policy Georgia Institute of Technology (online)	2022/04
• Invited talk, School of Computer Science Seminar Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA	2022/03
• Invited talk, Data Science Seminar University of California San Diego (online)	2022/03
• Invited talk, Institute for Computational and Data Sciences Seminar Pennsylvania State University (online)	2022/03
• Invited talk, Information Science Colloquium Cornell University, Ithaca, NY	2022/03
• Invited talk, Interactive Computing Seminar Georgia Institute of Technology (online)	2022/02
• Invited talk, Information Sciences Seminar University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (online)	2022/02
• Invited talk, Computational Social Science Seminar University of Pittsburgh (online)	2022/02
• Invited talk, Engineering Management and Systems Engineering Seminar George Washington University (online)	2022/02
• Invited talk, Industrial Engineering Seminar Purdue University (online)	2022/01

• Invited talk, Mechanical and Industrial Engineering Seminar University of Toronto (online)	2022/01
• Invited talk, System Dynamics Seminar MIT Sloan School of Management, Cambridge, MA	2021/12
• Invited talk, Sociology Department Colloquium University of Chicago, Chicago, IL	2021/11
• Invited talk, Management & Organizations Seminar NYU Stern School of Business (online)	2021/11
• Invited talk, Sociology Department Seminar Purdue University (online)	2021/11
• INFORMS Annual Meeting Anaheim, CA	2021/10
Harvard Business School Digital Doctoral Workshop Boston, MA (online)	2021/09
Minerva Research Network Workshop Wautoma, WI	2021/08
$\bullet$ International Conference on Computational Social Science (IC $^2S^2$ ) Zürich, Switzerland (online)	2021/07
<ul> <li>Networks 2021: A Joint Sunbelt and NetSci Conference Washington, DC (online)</li> </ul>	2021/07
• Seminar, Stanford METRICS International Forum Meta-research Innovation Center, Stanford University (online)	2021/04
• Invited talk, Webinar, Saving Curies Series	2021/03
• Invited talk, Webinar, Swarma Club	2021/01
• Spotlight talk, Rising Stars in Data Science Workshop Data Science Institute, University of Chicago (online)	2021/01
• The 7 <sup>th</sup> Satellite on Quantifying Success, NetSci 2020 Roma, Italy (online)	2020/09
• Invited talk, Webinar ML Collective	2020/09
	2020/07
Seminar, Northwestern Institute on Complex Systems	2020/06
• Invited talk, Webinar, Aggregate Intellect (ai.science)	2020/02
• Invited talk, Northwestern Data Science Night	2020/02
• Invited talk, Michigan Institute for Data Science Symposium University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI	2019/11
• Seminar, Northwestern Institute on Complex Systems	2019/10

• Invited talk, Institute for Research on Innovation & Science Summit University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI	2019/09
• Invited talk, Great Lakes Data Science Workshop University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN	2019/09
• International Conference on Computational Social Science ( ${\rm IC}^2{\rm S}^2$ ) Amsterdam, Netherlands	2019/07
<ul> <li>NetSci 2019: International Workshop and Conference on Network Science Burlington, VT</li> </ul>	2019/05
• Invited talk, Center for Neuroscience Seminar Zhejiang University, Zhejiang, China	2018/12
	2018/07
• Summer Institute in Computational Social Science (SICSS) Chicago, IL	2018/06
Seminar, Northwestern IEMS-OM Collaborative Workshop	2018/04
Northwestern Computational Research Day	2018/04
Seminar, Northwestern SIAM Bridging the Gap	2017/11
Northwestern Current Research & Future Careers Symposium	2017/08
• Invited talk, AI & Public Policy Symposium Tsinghua University, Beijing, China	2017/07
• Invited talk, Kaifeng Institute on Geometry and Statistical Learning Swarma Club, Beijing, China	2017/07
<ul> <li>Symposium for the Society of Young Network Scientists, NetSci 2017 Indianapolis, IN</li> </ul>	2017/06
<ul> <li>NetSci 2017: International Workshop and Conference on Network Science Indianapolis, IN</li> </ul>	2017/06
Seminar, Northwestern Institute on Complex Systems	2017/05
Seminar, Kellogg MORS Macro Brown Bag	2017/05
Kellogg-Booth Student Symposium, Chicago, IL	2017/04
Chicago Area SIAM Student Conference, Chicago, IL	2017/04
PhD students	
<ul><li>Xinyu Yang, Cornell University</li><li>Keigo Kusumegi, Cornell University</li><li>Simon Trlifaj, Central European University</li></ul>	2023-2028 2023-2028 2023
<ul> <li>Jichao Li, National University of Defense Technology <i>Current appointment</i>: Assistant Professor, National University of Defense Techno     </li> </ul>	2017-2019 logy

MENTORING

## **Undergraduate students**

• Zihang Lin, Fudan University	2021-2023
Current appointment: PhD student, Northwestern University	
• Zifeng Liu, Xi'an Jiaotong University	2021-2022
Current appointment: Master student, Georgia Institute of Technology	
• Zishan Gu, Sun Yat-sen University	2020
Current appointment: PhD student, Ohio State University	

#### **TEACHING**

#### Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

Teaching Assistant

## Computational Social Science: Emerging Topics: MORS 521 / IEMS 490

• Spring 2023, PhD course for management and engineering students.

## Social Dynamics & Networks: MORSX 945

• Winter 2022/2023, EMBA course at Kellogg School of Management.

#### Social Dynamics & Network Analytics: MORS 457

• 9 sessions (2017-2022), MBA course at Kellogg School of Management.

#### **Human & Machine Intelligence**: MORS 950

• Spring 2021, MBA course at Kellogg School of Management.

## Statistical Decision Analysis: MECNX 434

• Winter 2018, EMBA core course at Kellogg School of Management.

#### **Data Science and Programming Workshops**

• Summer 2018, serial workshop by Northwestern Research Computing.

## Summer Institute in Computational Social Science (SICSS), Chicago, IL

Instructor

#### **Computational Social Science**

• SICSS-Chicago 2021, 30 students from social and computational science.

## ACADEMIC SERVICE

#### Organizer

• Summer Institute in Computational Social Science (SICSS-Chicago) 2021

### **Award Committee**

• Best Paper Award Committee, 2022 International Conference on Computational Social Science (IC<sup>2</sup>S<sup>2</sup>)

### **Program Committee**

• Co-Chair, International Conference on the Science of Science and Innovation (ICSS	SI) 2023
• ICDM: International Workshop on AI for Science of Science (AI4SciSci)	
• International Conference on Complex Networks and Their Applications	2023
• International Conference on Computational Social Science (IC <sup>2</sup> S <sup>2</sup> )	2023
ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM)	I) 2023
• ACM International Conference on Web Search and Data Mining (WSDM)	2023
• International Workshop and Conference on Network Science (NetSci)	2023
• ACM International Conference on Web Science (WebSci)	2022-2023
• International World Wide Web Conference (TheWebConf)	2021-2023
• International AAAI Conference on Web and Social Media (ICWSM)	2021-2023
Best Program Committee Member Award (2021)	

## Referee

• Funding Agencies: National Science Foundation.

- Multidisciplinary Sciences: Nature, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, Nature Communications, Nature Human Behaviour, Science Advances, Royal Society Open Science, Scientific Reports, PLOS One.
- Physical Sciences: Europhysics Letters (Distinguished Reviewer Award), Physica A: Statistical Mechanics and its Applications, EPJ Data Science.
- Computing & Information Sciences: ACM Transactions on Intelligent Systems and Technology, IEEE Transactions on Big Data, IEEE Transactions on Network Science and Engineering, Journal of Informetrics (Outstanding Reviewer Award), Scientometrics, Quantitative Science Studies, Journal of the Association for Information Science and Technology, PeerJ Computer Science.
- Social & Management Sciences: Journal of Computer-Mediated Communication, Science and Engineering Ethics, Social Network Analysis and Mining, AI & Society: Knowledge, Culture and Communication, Annual Meeting of the Academy of Management (Best Reviewer Award, Technology and Innovation Management).

#### IN THE PRESS List of selected media coverage

### Public use and public funding of science

- Wire: Science has a communication problem and a connection problem
- New things under the sun: Do academic citations measure the impact of new ideas?
- Kellogg Insight: Does public benefit from scientific research it funds?
- Phys.org: Government-funded scientific research reflects public interest, study finds
- Altmetric: Breaking down barriers Rethinking assumptions on research and impact

### Adaptability and the pivot penalty in science and technology

- New things under the sun: Building a new research field
- Science: Pivot into COVID-19 research eases as publishing surge starts to level off

### Potentially long-lasting effects of the pandemic on scientists

- Forbes: The bad news, good news, bad news about COVID's impact on scientific research
- Science: The pandemic's slowing of research productivity may last years
- Nature: The COVID pandemic has harmed researcher productivity and mental health
- Scientific American: A high-speed scientific hive mind emerged from the COVID pandemic
- *Physics World*: New non-COVID research projects plunge by a third since the start of the pandemic
- GenomeWeb: Pandemic, productivity, and optimism
- Other coverages include ScienMag, Lab Manager, Medical News, and Scitech Daily.

#### Coevolution of policy and science during the pandemic

- The Scientist: WHO leads in using solid science to draft COVID-19 policy
- EurekAlert: Policymakers draw heavily from highly cited COVID-19 science
- Kellogg Insight: How well does COVID public policy align with science?
- Other coverages include Science Policy News, ScienMag, Lab Manager, Tyee and FROMTBOT.

#### Unequal effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on scientists

- Forbes: COVID's surprising toll on careers of women scientists
- Forbes: COVID-19's effects on women in science intensify disparities
- The Atlantic: How science beat the virus
- Times Higher Ed: Pandemic lockdown holding back female academics, data show
- Times Higher Ed: Childcare the key limit on scientists' pandemic working hours

- Inside Higher Ed: University research: a time of disparate change
- Inside Higher Ed: Keeping COVID-19 from sidelining equity
- Inside Higher Ed: Implementing pandemic equity measures for faculty
- Scientific American: Women in science may suffer lasting career damage from COVID-19
- Scientific American: COVID has laid bare the inequities that face mothers in STEM
- Science: Pandemic hits scientist parents hard
- The Scientist: Pandemic pressures may drive young scientists away from autism research
- AAAS: Institutions must support minority researchers impacted by COVID-19
- Wire: COVID-19 changed scientists' research methods, will this change science itself?
- EurekAlert: Pandemic disproportionately affects scientists with young children
- Kellogg Insight: The pandemic has slashed scientists' productivity
- Other coverages include Medium, Spectrum News, Science Policy News, ThePaper.cn, Deccan Herald, Lab Manager, ScienMag, Oxford Student, Phys.org, Psychology Today, ASBMB Today, Marketplace, Chemistry Views and Chemistry World.

## Scientific elite revisited: Patterns of productivity, collaboration, authorship and impact

- Daily Mail: The Nobel curse is REAL
- The Times: Scientists fall foul of Nobel curse
- Other coverages include Phys.org and Chemistry World.

## Quantifying the dynamics of failure across science, startups and security

- Inc.: 5 ways to avoid startup failure by increasing your team's learning speed
- Fast Company: Science reveals the tipping point between success and failure
- Global Advisors: Why failing fast is critical if you want to eventually win
- Washington Post: The lasting lesson of this Super Bowl: failure is necessary
- Forbes: Don't fail fast fail smart
- MIT Technology Review: How the data mining of failure could teach us the secrets of success
- Harvard Business Review: The tipping point between failure and success
- Scientific American: Failure found to be an "essential prerequisite" for success?
- Medium: Ignite success sooner: 2 ways to fail better
- Discover Magazine: How failing could actually help us succeed
- Science Daily: Failure prognosis: Data science predicts which failures will ultimately succeed
- Business Insider: Researchers found a key reason certain people succeed while others fall behind, and it starts with learning from past mistakes
- Communications of ACM: How the data mining of failure could teach us the secrets of success
- Lancet: Offline: It's time to prepare your anti-CV
- Kellogg Insight: Why do some people succeed after failing while others continue to flounder?
- Other coverages include Science Policy News, Lab Manager, YCombinator Hacker News, China.org, Xinhua, News Ghana, Slate France, internetactu, ZAP, Sohu News and Phys.org.

#### Nobel laureates are almost the same as us

- Physics Today: The Nobel Prize in physics: The papers
- Kellogg Insight: Nobel Prize winners They're just like us!
- Inside Science: Getting ready for the 2019 Nobel Prizes