

# YUFAN ZHANG

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## PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

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**University of California San Diego**

2023 - present

Postdoctoral Researcher

Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

## EDUCATION

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**Shanghai Jiao Tong University**

2017 - 2022

Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering

**Chongqing University**

2013 - 2017

Bachelor in Electrical Engineering

## HONORS & AWARDS

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**Top Articles in Outstanding S&T Journals of China**

2022

**Frontrunner 5000 Paper**, China Association for Science and Technology

2022

**SJTU Outstanding PHD Graduate**, Shanghai Jiao Tong University

2022

**Outstanding Doctoral Graduate Development Scholarship**, Shanghai Jiao Tong University

2022

**Outstanding PHD Student Scholarship**, Shanghai Jiao Tong University

2020

**Best Conference Paper of IEEE Power & Energy Society General Meeting**, PESGM

2020

**Sieyuan Electrics Co. Scholarship**, Shanghai Jiao Tong University

2019

**Outstanding Undergraduate of Chongqing University**, Chongqing University

2017

**Undergraduate National Scholarship**, Chinese Ministry of Education

2016

**Freshmen Scholarship of Chongqing University**, Chongqing University

2013

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Energy Forecasting

Interaction between Power and Traffic Networks

Machine Learning Applications in Power Systems

Decision Making under Uncertainty

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Preprints

4. **Y. Zhang**, H. Wen, Y. Bian, and Y. Shi, "Deriving loss function for value-oriented renewable point forecasting," arXiv preprint arXiv:2310.00571, 2023.

3. **Y. Zhang**, M. Jia, H. Wen, and Y. Shi, "Value-oriented renewable energy forecasting for coordinated energy dispatch problems at two stages," arXiv preprint arXiv:2309.00803, 2023.

2. **Y. Zhang**, H. Wen, T. Feng, and Y. Chen, "Targeted demand response: Formulation, Implications, and fast algorithms," arXiv preprint arXiv:2211.14806, 2022.

1. X. He, H. Wen, **Y. Zhang**, and Y. Chen, "Enabling fast unit commitment constraint screening via learning cost model," arXiv preprint arXiv:2212.00483, 2022.

### Journal Papers

13. **Y. Zhang**, S. Dey, and Y. Shi, "Optimal vehicle charging in bilevel power-traffic networks via charging demand function," IEEE Transactions on Smart Grid, 2023.

12. **Y. Zhang**, H. Wen, and Q. Wu, "A contextual bandit approach for value-oriented prediction interval forecasting," IEEE Transactions on Smart Grid, 2023.

11. **Y. Zhang**, Q. Wu, Q. Ai and J. P. S. Catalão, "Closed-Loop aggregated baseline load estimation using contextual

- bandit with policy gradient,” IEEE Transactions on Smart Grid, vol. 13, no. 1, pp. 243-254, 2022.
10. **Y. Zhang**, H. Wen, Q. Wu and Q. Ai, ”Optimal adaptive prediction intervals for electricity load forecasting in distribution systems via reinforcement learning,” IEEE Transactions on Smart Grid.
  9. **Y. Zhang**, Q. Ai, F. Xiao, R. Hao, and T. Lu, ”Typical wind power scenario generation for multiple wind farms using conditional improved wasserstein generative adversarial network,” International Journal of Electrical Power & Energy Systems, vol. 114, p. 105388, 2020.
  8. **Y. Zhang**, Q. Ai, H. Wang, Z. Li, and X. Zhou, ”Energy theft detection in an edge data center using threshold-based abnormality detector,” International Journal of Electrical Power & Energy Systems, vol. 121, p. 106162, 2020.
  7. **Y. Zhang**, Q. Ai, H. Wang, Z. Li, and K. Huang, ”Bi-level distributed day-ahead schedule for islanded multi-microgrids in a carbon trading market,” Electric Power Systems Research, vol. 186, p. 106412, 2020.
  6. **Y. Zhang**, Q. Ai, and Z. Li, Grouping of dynamic electricity consumption behaviour: An f-divergence based hierarchical clustering model,” IET Generation, Transmission & Distribution, vol. 15, no. 22, pp. 3164–3175, 2021
  5. **Y. Zhang**, Q. Ai, and Z. Li, ”Admm-based distributed response quantity estimation: a probabilistic perspective,” IET Generation, Transmission & Distribution, vol. 14, no. 26, pp. 6594–6602, 2020.
  4. **Y. Zhang**, Q. Ai, and Z. Li, ”Intelligent demand response resource trading using deep reinforcement learning,” CSEE Journal of Power and Energy Systems, 2021
  3. **Y. Zhang**, Q. Ai, Z. Li, S. Yin, K. Huang, M. Yousif, and T. Lu, ”Data augmentation strategy for small sample short-term load forecasting of distribution transformer,” International Transactions on Electrical Energy Systems, vol. 30, no. 7, p. e12209, 2020.
  2. **Y. Zhang**, Q. Ai, and Z. Li, ”Improving aggregated baseline load estimation by gaussian mixture model,” Energy Reports, vol. 6, pp. 1221–1225, 2020.
  1. S. Yin, Q. Ai, Z. Li, **Y. Zhang**, and T. Lu, ”Energy management for aggregate prosumers in a virtual power plant: A robust stackelberg game approach,” International Journal of Electrical Power & Energy Systems, vol. 117, p. 105605, 2020.

## Conferences Papers

2. X. He, J. Tian, **Y. Zhang**, H. Wen, and Y. Chen, ”Fast constraint screening for multi- interval unit commitment,” in 2023 62nd IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC). IEEE, 2023, pp. 577–583.
1. **Y. Zhang**, Yuquan Liu, Zhiwen Yu, Wen Xiong, Li Wang, Qian Ai, Zhaoyu Li, Kaiyi Huang, Ran Hao, and Ziqing Jiang, ”Improving aggregated load forecasting using evidence accumulation k-Shape clustering,” 2020 IEEE Power & Energy Society General Meeting (PESGM), Montreal, QC, Canada, 2020.

## TEACHING

### Courses:

MAE 243: Electric Power Systems Modeling  
*Guest lecturer*

UC San Diego  
 Fall quarter 2023

### Supervision experience:

3. Jiajun Han, Value-oriented forecasting for risk-manageable operation. *M.Sc. student* Fall quarter 2023
2. Yuexin Bian, Optimal arrival scheduling of electric vehicles. *Ph.D. student with UCSD* Summer quarter 2023
1. Zhaoyu Li, Power-gas network equilibrium: a potential game perspective. *Ph.D. student with SJTU* 2022

### Teaching Training:

2. Pathways to Scientific Teaching Winter quarter 2024
1. Fundamental teaching workshop Winter quarter 2024

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

**Journal Reviewers:** IEEE Transactions on Industrial Informatics, IEEE Transactions on Power Systems, IEEE Transactions on Smart Grid, IET Renewable Power Generation, Applied Energy, Energy Reports, Sustainable Energy, Grids and Networks, Electric Power Systems Research

**Co-organizer:** Power & Energy Seminar Series at UC San Diego

## INVITED TALKS

7. *Deriving Closed-form Loss Function for Value-oriented Renewable Energy Forecasting*, UCSD Power & Energy Seminar, California. January 2024
6. *Optimal vehicle charging in bilevel power-traffic networks via charging demand function*, INFORMS Annual Meeting. October, 2023
5. *Demand response model identification and forecasting with differentiable optimization neural network (OptNet): A gradient-based approach*, Power & Energy Society General Meeting. July, 2023
4. *Closed-loop aggregated load estimation*, Power & Energy Society General Meeting. July, 2023
3. *Optimal vehicle charging in bilevel power-traffic networks via charging demand function*, Columbia University. April 2023
2. *Value-oriented forecasting for power systems*, UCSD Power & Energy Seminar, California. February 2023
1. *Improving aggregated load forecasting using evidence accumulation k-Shape clustering*, Power & Energy Society General Meeting. August, 2020