

# ZHIMING ZHONG

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## EDUCATION

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### University of Arizona

Aug 2020 - Present

*PhD Student of Systems and Industrial Engineering*

**Advisor:** Neng Fan

### North China Electric Power University

Sep 2017 - June 2020

*Master of Electric Technical Economics and Management*

**Thesis:** Joint Optimization of Electricity Consumption Plan and Electricity Market Transaction for Energy-Intensive Production Company

*Bachelor of Business Administration*

Sep 2013 - June 2017

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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**Optimization Theory:** Stochastic optimization, robust optimization, large-scale optimization

**Application:** Power systems planning and operations, renewable energy integration, energy policy, energy economics and management, sustainable operations management

## SELECTED PAPERS

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**Zhong, Z.,** Fan, N., & Wu, L. (2021). A Hybrid Robust-Stochastic Optimization Approach for Day-Ahead Scheduling of Cascaded Hydroelectric Systems in Restructured Electricity Market. Submitted to *European Journal of Operational Research*, under revision.

**Zhong, Z.,** Fan, N., & Wu, L. (2021). Robust Optimization for the Day-Ahead scheduling of Cascaded Hydroelectric Systems. Submitted to *IEEE PES General Meeting 2022*.

**Zhong, Z.,** & Li, X. (2021) Emission Reduction and Economic Benefits of the Retirement and Technology Upgrade of Coal-Fired Units-A Robust Generation Expansion Planning Approach. *Chinese Journal of Management Science*, 29(4), 16-25.

**Zhong, Z.,** Zhang, Y., Shen, H., & Li, X. (2020). Optimal Planning of Distributed Photovoltaic Generation for the Traction Power Supply System of High-Speed Railway. *Journal of Cleaner Production*, 263, 121394.

**Zhong, Z.,** Li, X., Liu, X., & Lau, W. (2019). Opportunity Cost Management in Project Portfolio Selection with Divisibility. *Journal of the Operational Research Society*, 70(7), 1164-1178.

Li, X., **Zhong, Z.,** & Yan, J. (2019). Flexibility Reformation Planning of Thermal Power Units with Large-scale Integration of Wind Power. *Automation of Electric Power Systems*, 43(3), 51-57. (Best paper in the special issue "Large-Scale Integration of Renewable Energy Generation into Power Systems")

Li, X., **Zhong, Z.,** Zhang, Y., & Wang, Y. (2017). Uncertain Mean-Variance Model for Project Portfolio Selection Problem with Divisibility. *Journal of Intelligent & Fuzzy Systems*, 32(6), 4513-4522.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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*Graduate Research Assistant:* Exploring Multidimensional Spatial-Temporal Hydropower Operational Flexibilities by Modeling and Optimizing Water-Constrained Cascading Hydroelectric Systems, **U.S. Department of Energy's Project** June 2020 - Present

*Graduate Research Assistant:* Dynamic Multi-project Portfolio Selection and Its Robust Optimization Considering the Synergy and Competition among Projects, **National Natural Science Foundation of China** Sep 2017 - June 2020

## AWARDS

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Third Place of SIE PhD Student Poster Competition	<i>Nov 2021</i>
Outstanding Graduate Student, Beijing ( <b>Top 5% master student in Beijing</b> )	<i>June 2020</i>
Outstanding Master Thesis Award, North China Electric Power University ( <b>Top 5% master thesis in North China Electric Power University</b> )	<i>June 2020</i>
National Scholarship for Graduate Student, China's Ministry of Education ( <b>Top 1% graduate student in North China Electric Power University</b> )	<i>June 2020</i>
First Class Outstanding Master Student Fellowship, North China Electric Power University ( <b>Top 5% master student in North China Electric Power University, being awarded for consecutive 3 years</b> )	<i>2017-2020</i>
Outstanding Senior Scholar Award, Chinese Society of Optimization, Overall Planning and Economical Mathematics (SCOPE), ( <b>Top 5% senior presenters in SCOPE annual meeting, being awarded for consecutive 2 years</b> )	<i>2017-2018</i>
Honorable Mentioned Award in International Mathematical Modeling Contest	<i>Feb 2016</i>
First Class Award of National Mathematical Modeling Contest of China ( <b>Top 10% team in Beijing</b> )	<i>Sep 2015</i>

## ACADEMIC SERVICES

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### Professional Society Service

Reviewer, Energy Systems	<i>2020 - Present</i>
Reviewer, Journal of Cleaner Production	<i>2020 - Present</i>
Reviewer, Optimization Letters	<i>2020 - Present</i>

### University-Related Service

Student Director, Institution of Electricity Management and Optimization, North China Electric Power University	<i>Sep 2017 - June 2020</i>
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