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## EDUCATION

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Ph.D., Financial Mathematics, Soochow University, China *Dec. 2014*

*Advisor:* Prof. Wanghui Yu

Joint Ph.D. in Financial Mathematics, University of Pittsburgh, USA *Sep. 2012 - May. 2014*

*Advisor:* Prof. Xinfu Chen

B.Sc., Applied Mathematics, Soochow University, China *Jun. 2009*

## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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Center for Financial Engineering, Soochow University Suzhou, Jiangsu, China  
*Associate Professor* *Aug. 2020 - Now*

Center for Financial Engineering, Soochow University Suzhou, Jiangsu, China  
*Lecturer* *Mar. 2018 - Jul. 2020*

Risk Management Institute, National University of Singapore Singapore  
*Postdoc* (supervised by Prof. Min Dai and Prof. Steven Kou) *Jan. 2015 - Feb. 2018*

## RESEARCH INTEREST

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Financial Engineering, Fintech, Behavioral Finance, Portfolio Selection

## WORKING PAPERS

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1. Exhaustible Resources with Production Adjustment Costs: Spot and Futures Prices (with Min Dai, and Steven Kou)  
*ESAM2018, CFAM2019, FERM2019 Best Paper Award*  
[https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=3459830](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3459830)
2. From Hotelling to Nakamoto: The Economic Meaning of Bitcoin Mining (with Min Dai, Wei Jiang, and Steven Kou)  
*INFORMS2019, AQFC2020, CFAM2020, Tokenomics Conference2020,*  
[https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=3780858](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3780858)
3. Portfolio Selection with a  $k$ th-to-default Credit-Linked Note (with Kangquan Zhi)  
[https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=4607628](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=4607628)
4. A Continuous-Exercise Model for American Call Options with Hedging Constraints (with Xinfu Chen, Xin Lai, and Wanghui Yu)  
[https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=2757541](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2757541)

5. Optimal Switching with Realization Utility (with Yi Ding, and Xiong Xiong), draft forthcoming
6. Realization Utility and Rolling Mental Account (with Jing Xu), in progress
7. Periodic Evaluation with Non-Concave Utility Function (Chen Yang, and Harry Zheng), in progress
8. Miners in Tokenomics: Dynamic Adoption, Distribution, and Valuation (with Wei Jiang), in progress

## PUBLICATIONS IN MATHEMATICAL FINANCE/ECONOMICS

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- [10] Dynamic Trading with Realization Utility, **Journal of Finance**, *forthcoming* (with Min Dai, and Neng Wang)
- [9] Asymptotic Analysis of Long-Term Investment with Two Illiquid and Correlated Assets, **Mathematical Finance**, 2022, 32(4): 1133–1169 (with Xinfu Chen, Min Dai, and Wei Jiang)
- [8] Realization Utility with Path-Dependent Reference Points, **SIAM Journal on Financial Mathematics**, 2022, 13(3):1063–1111 (with Linghui Kong, and Xingye Yue)
- [7] A Pricing Model of Airbag Options with Discrete Monitoring, **Acta Mathematicae Applicatae Sinica, English Series**, *forthcoming* (with Min Hu, Shuiyi Hu, and Fan Zhou)
- [6] A New Weak Solution to an Optimal Stopping Problem, **Discrete and Continuous Dynamical Systems-Series B**, 2020, 25(12): 4823–4837 (with Xinfu Chen)
- [5] On Balanced Growth Path Solutions of a Knowledge Diffusion and Growth Model, **SIAM Journal on Financial Mathematics**, 2019, 10(1): 130–155 (with Xinfu Chen)
- [4] Asymptotic Behavior of Optimal Exercise Strategy for a Small Number of Executive Stock Options, **Journal of Mathematical Analysis and Applications**, 2019, 472(1): 1253–1276 (with Xinfu Chen, Xin Lai, and Wanghui Yu)
- [3] A Variational Inequality Arising from Optimal Exercise Perpetual Executive Stock Options, **European Journal of Applied Mathematics**, 2018, 29(1): 55–77 (with Xinfu Chen, Xin Lai, and Wanghui Yu)
- [2] Regularity of Free Boundary Arising from Optimal Exercise of Perpetual Executive Stock Options, **Interfaces and Free Boundaries**, 2015, 17(1): 69–92 (with Xinfu Chen, Xin Lai, and Wanghui Yu )
- [1] Mathematical Analysis of a Variational Inequality Modeling Perpetual Executive Stock Options, **European Journal of Applied Mathematics**, 2015, 26(2): 193–213 (with Xin Lai, Xinfu Chen, Mingxin Wang, and Wanghui Yu)

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

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- [4] Dynamics of Spike in a Keller-Segel’s Minimal Chemotaxis Model, **Discrete and Continuous Dynamical Systems-Series A**, 2017, 37(2): 1109 –1127 (with Xinfu Chen, Jianghao Hao, Xin Lai, and Yajing Zhang)
- [3] Spectral Analysis for Stability of Bubble Steady States of a Keller-Segel’s Minimal Chemotaxis Model, **Journal of Mathematical Analysis and Applications**, 2017, 446(1): 1105–1132 (with Xinfu Chen, Jianghao Hao, Xin Lai, and Yajing Zhang)
- [2] Existence, Uniqueness, and Stability of Bubble Solutions of a Chemotaxis Model, **Discrete and Continuous Dynamical Systems-Series A**, 2016, 36(2): 805–832 (with Xinfu Chen, Xin Lai, Mingxin Wang, and Yajing Zhang)
- [1] An Eigenvalue Problem Arising from Spiky Steady States of a Minimal Chemotaxis Model, **Journal of Mathematical Analysis and Applications**, 2014, 420(1): 684–704 (with Xinfu Chen, Jianghao Hao, Xin Lai, and Yajing Zhang)

## AWARDS AND GRANTS

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- Distinguished Young Scholar of Soochow University, 2018
- Best Young Scholar Paper Award, Financial Engineering and Financial Risk Management, 2019
- Suzhou Block Chains Technology and Industry Association Expert Think Tank, 2021
- PI, National Science Foundation of China (Youth Program 11901416), Jan. 2020 - Dec. 2022
- PI, National Science Foundation of Jiangsu Province (Youth Program BK20190812), Jul. 2019 - Jun. 2022
- PI, Natural Science Foundation for Universities in Jiangsu Province (19KJD100005), Jul. 2019 - Jun. 2021
- PI, Soochow University excellent graduate teaching materials cultivation project, Aug. 2023 - Dec. 2025

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

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- Board Member of the following Academic Community:
  - (1) *Financial Engineering and Financial Risk Management Branch of China Operations Research Society*,
  - (2) *Quantitative Finance and Insurance Branch, China Research Association of Selective Law and Economic Mathematics*
- Referee for Academic Journals:  
*Mathematical Finance, SIAM Journal on Financial Mathematics, Journal of Economic Dynamics & Control, Mathematics of Operations Research*

## SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

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- 2023 36th Australasian Finance and Banking Conference  
*Sydney, Australia* Dec. 13 - 15, 2023
- 2023 Recent Advances on Quantitative Finance  
*Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hong Kong, China* Aug. 27 - 30, 2023
- 2023 Annual conference of Quantitative Finance and Insurance  
*Zhongnan University of Economics and Law, Wuhan, China* May. 26 - 28, 2023
- 2022 Annual Conference of Financial Engineering and Financial Risk Management  
*Heibei Normal University, Shijiazhuang, China* Dec. 10 - 11, 2022
- CSIAM 2nd Symposium on Financial Mathematics with Financial Engineering and Actuarial Insurance  
*Soochow University, Suzhou, China* Nov. 12 - 13, 2022
- The 19th Chinese Finance Annual Meeting  
*Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Shanghai, China* Oct. 29 - 30, 2022
- 2022 China International Conference in Finance  
*online* Jul. 6 - 8, 2022
- The 11th World Congress of Bachelier Finance Society  
*Chinese University of Hong Kong, New York, USA* Jun. 13 - 17, 2022

- The 18th CSIAM Annual Meeting  
*Changsha, China* *Oct. 29 - Nov. 1, 2020*
- The 11th ORSC Annual Meeting  
*Hefei, China* *Oct. 15 - 18, 2020*
- The 16th Chinese Finance Annual Meeting  
*Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China* *Oct. 25 - 27, 2019*
- 2019 Annual Conference of Financial Engineering and Financial Risk Management  
*Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, Shanghai, China* *Aug. 29 - 30, 2019*
- Quantitative Finance: Workshop 1 on Stochastic Control in Finance  
*National University of Singapore, Singapore* *Jul. 22 - 26, 2019*
- 2019 International Conference on FinTech  
*Shanghai Advanced Institute of Finance, Shanghai, China* *Jun. 10 - 11, 2019*
- 2018 Econometric Society Australasian Meeting  
*Auckland University of Technology, Auckland, New Zealand* *Jul. 1 - 4, 2018*
- The Second PKU-NUS Annual International Conference on Quantitative Finance and Economics  
*Suzhou, China* *May. 20 & 21, 2017*
- 2017 Workshop on Mathematical Finance and Financial Data Processing  
*Qufu Normal University, Qufu, China* *Mar. 31 & Apr. 1, 2017*
- The 5th NUS Workshop on Risk and Regulation  
*National University of Singapore, Singapore* *Jan. 5 & 6, 2017*
- The 9th World Congress of Bachelier Finance Society  
*Manhattan, New York, USA* *Jul. 15 - 19, 2016*
- Berlin-Princeton-Singapore Workshop on Quantitative Finance  
*Princeton University, Princeton, USA* *Jul. 12 & 13, 2016*
- The 5th Berlin Workshop on Mathematical Finance for Young Researchers  
*Humbolt-Universität zu Berlin, Berlin, Germany* *Jun. 1 - 4, 2016*
- The First PKU–NUS Annual International Conference on Quantitative Finance and Economics  
*Peking University HSBC Business School, Shenzhen, China* *May. 7 & 8, 2016*
- The 4th NUS Workshop on Risk and Regulation  
*National University of Singapore, Singapore* *Jan. 7 & 8, 2016*
- The 3rd NUS Workshop on Risk and Regulation  
*National University of Singapore, Singapore* *Jan. 8 & 9, 2015*

## TEACHING

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- Undergraduate
  - Stochastic Processes (2021), *Soochow University*
  - Principles of Financial Engineering (2023), *Soochow University*
- Graduate
  - Principles of Financial Engineering (2020, 2021, 2022, 2023), *Soochow University*

- Case Studies in Financial Engineering (2020, 2021, 2022), *Soochow University*
- Real Options (2021, 2022, 2023), *Soochow University*

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