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## Research Interests

Optimal insurance design · Dependence modeling · Stochastic ordering  
Cyber risk management · Optimal scheduling · Ruin theory and applications

## Education

- Ph.D. in Actuarial Science, University of Waterloo, Canada August 2013
- Master in Actuarial Science, Nankai University, China June 2009
- Bachelor in Mathematics, Chern S. S. Math Program, Nankai University, China June 2006

## Appointments

- Assistant Professor August 2013 - Present  
Department of Mathematical Sciences, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- Part-time Lecturer 2012  
Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science, University of Waterloo
- Research/Teaching Assistant 2009-2013  
Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science, University of Waterloo

## Professional Designations

- Associate of Society of Actuaries 2016
- Associate of China Association of Actuaries 2008

## Research Papers

- Wei, Wei. Shift effect of background risk on optimal insurance design. *Working paper*
- Wang, Lingfeng, and Wei Wei. Pricing cyber risks on power grids. *Working paper*
- Yichun Chi and Wei Wei. Optimal insurance with background risk: an analysis of general dependence structures, *under review*
- Wei Wei. Single machine scheduling with stochastically dependent times, *revised and resubmitted to Journal of Scheduling*

- Yichun Chi and Wei Wei. 2018. Optimum insurance contracts with background risk and higher-order risk attitudes, *ASTIN Bulletin: The Journal of the IAA*, published online
- Wei Wei. 2018. Properties of stochastic arrangement increasing and their applications in allocation problems, *Risks* 6(2): 49
- Wei Wei. 2017. Joint stochastic orders of high degrees and their applications in finance. *Insurance: Mathematics and Economics* 76: 141-148
- Jun Cai, David Landriault, Tianxiang Shi, and Wei Wei, 2017. Joint insolvency analysis of a shared MAP risk process: a capital allocation application. *North American Actuarial Journal*: 1-15
- Ranadeera Gamage Madhuka Samanthi, Wei Wei, and Vytautas Brazauskas, 2017. Comparing the riskiness of dependent portfolios via nested L-statistics. *Annals of Actuarial Science* 11(2): 237-252
- Ranadeera Gamage Madhuka Samanthi, Wei Wei, and Vytautas Brazauskas, 2016. Ordering Gini indexes of multivariate elliptical risks. *Insurance: Mathematics and Economics* 68: 84-91
- Jun Cai, Wei Wei, 2015. Notions of multivariate dependence with applications in optimal portfolio selections. *Journal of Multivariate Analysis* 138: 156-169
- Jun Cai, Wei Wei, 2014. Some new notions of dependence with applications in optimal allocation problems. *Insurance: Mathematics and Economics* 55(1): 200-209
- Jun Cai, Wei Wei, 2012. On the invariant properties of notions of positive dependence and copulas under increasing transformations. *Insurance: Mathematics and Economics* 50(1): 43-49
- Jun Cai, Wei Wei, 2012. Optimal reinsurance with positively dependent risks. *Insurance: Mathematics and Economics* 50(1): 57-63

## Conference Presentations

- 53rd Actuarial Research Conference, London, Canada August 2018  
*Optimal Insurance with Background Risk: An Analysis of General Dependence Structures*
- 22nd International Congress on Insurance: Mathematics and Economics, Sydney, Australia July 2018  
*Optimal Insurance with Background Risk*
- 2nd International Workshop on Optimal (Re)Insurance, Beijing, China July 2018  
Invited: *Optimal Insurance with Background Risk: An Analysis of General Dependence Structures*
- 52nd Actuarial Research Conference, Atlanta, US July 2017  
*Comparison of Insurance Contracts with Background Risks in High-order Risk Attitudes*
- 20th International Congress on Insurance: Mathematics and Economics, Atlanta, US July 2016  
*A Class of Weak Stochastic Orders with Dependence and Their Applications in Optimization Problems*
- 50th Actuarial Research Conference, Toronto, Canada August 2015  
*Ordering Gini Indexes of Multivariate Elliptical Risks with Different Dependence*
- 18th International Congress on Insurance: Mathematics and Economics, Shanghai, China July 2014  
*Notions of Multivariate Dependence with Applications in Optimal Portfolio Selections*

- International Workshop on High-Dimensional Dependence and Copulas, Beijing, China January 2014  
Invited: *A New Class of Dependence Notions with Applications in Finance*
- 2nd Workshop on Insurance Mathematics, Toronto, Canada January 2012  
Invited: *Optimal Allocations of deductibles and policy limits with generalized dependence structures*
- 46th Actuarial Research Conference, University of Connecticut, U.S. August 2011  
*Optimal Reinsurance with Positively Dependent Risks*
- 45th Actuarial Research Conference, Simon Fraser University , Canada July 2010  
*Optimal Reinsurance Strategy in Two Dimensional Risk Model*

## Invited Talks

- Hang Seng Management College, Hong Kong, China. January 2016
- Department of Mathematics, Illinois State University, U.S. October 2015
- Division of Statistics, Northern Illinois University, U.S. March 2015
- Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science, University of Iowa, U.S. February 2013
- Department of Mathematical Sciences, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, U.S. March 2013
- Department of Risk Management and Insurance, Nankai University, China September 2012
- Munich Reinsurance Company, Toronto, Canada June 2011

## Grants

- National Science Foundation (NSF) Grant, \$352,109 2017-2019  
Funding Agency: National Science Foundation  
Project: CPS: Medium: Collaborative Research: An Actuarial Framework of Cyber Risk Management for Power Grids  
PI: Lingfeng Wang, Co-PI: Wei Wei
- Research and Creative Activities Support (RACAS), \$14,350 2017-2018  
Funding Agency: University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee  
Project: New dependence notions with applications in insurance and finance  
PI: Wei Wei
- Competitive Research Funding Schemes, HK\$733,800 2016-2017  
Funding agency: Research Grants Council in Hong Kong  
Project: Analysis and Application of Bounds in Insolvency Problem  
PI: Wing Yan Lee, Co-PIs: Shu Li, Wei Wei, Fei Lung Yuen
- Educational Institution Grant, \$5,000 2016  
Funding Agency: The Society of Actuaries  
PI: Wei Wei

- Individual Grant Competition, \$15,000 2014-2015  
Funding Agency: The Society of Actuaries  
Project: Economical Capital and its optimal allocations in the joint-insolvency risk model  
PI: Tianxiang Shi, Co-PIs: Jun Cai, David Landriault, Wei Wei

## Student Supervision

- Peng Nie. *How to Improve the Catastrophe Insurance System of China: Experiences from American Catastrophe Insurance System*, Capstone Course Study, 2013
- Evelyn Susanne Gaus. *Optimal Reinsurance with Bivariate Pareto Risks*, Master's thesis, 2014
- Ranadeera Gamage Madhuka Samanthi, Ph.D. thesis entitled "Comparing the riskiness of dependent portfolios", co-supervised with Vytautas Brazauskas, 2016. (Now tenure-track assistant professor at Central Michigan University)
- Alexander Kreienbring. *Optimal deductible: a theoretical analysis from an insured's perspective*, Master's thesis, 2018
- Julian Johannes Dursch, *Optimal insurance with background risk: an analysis in the presence of moderate negative dependence*, Master's thesis, 2018

## Service

- Social Committee (Chair since 2015) August 2013-Present  
Department of Mathematical Sciences, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- Actuarial Science Committee August 2013-Present  
Department of Mathematical Sciences, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- Colloquium Committee August 2013- August 2016  
Department of Mathematical Sciences, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- Coordinator of Probability Seminar Fall 2014  
Department of Mathematical Sciences, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- Thesis Defense Committees for four PhD students 2015/2016/2017/2018  
Department of Mathematical Sciences, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- Peer-review for the following journals:  
*Insurance: Mathematics and Economics*  
*Scandinavian Actuarial Journal*  
*ASTIN Bulletin: The Journal of IAA*  
*European Actuarial Journal*  
*Journal of Multivariate Analysis*  
*Journal of Computational and Applied Mathematics*  
*IMA Journal of Management Mathematics*  
*Statistics and Probability Letters*

*Transaction on Reliability: 2015*

*Communications in Statistics: Theory and Methods: 2014*

## **Honors**

- Chinese Government Award for Outstanding Students Studying Aboard 2012
- Dominion of Canada General Insurance Company Graduate Scholarship in Actuarial Science, University of Waterloo 2010-2012
- International Doctoral Student Award, University of Waterloo 2009-2011
- China National Studentship 2004
- First Prize in China Mathematics Olympiad 2002