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## Education

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### New York University, Leonard N. Stern School of Business

Ph.D. in Operations Research — Invited to Beta Gamma Sigma 2016 – 2023  
GPA: 3.91/4.0 — Focus: Probability and Its Applications

### New York University, Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences

s M.S. in Mathematics 2014 – 2016  
GPA: 3.93/4.0 — Focus: Probability and Differential Geometry

### Nankai University, Chern Institute of Mathematics

M.S. in Mathematics 2011 – 2014  
GPA: 4.0/4.0 — Focus: Differential Geometry, Global Analysis on Manifolds

### Nankai University, School of Mathematical Sciences

B.S. in Mathematics — Honored, Shiing-Shen Chern Class 2007 – 2011  
GPA: 3.85/4.0

## Research Interests

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Math for AI and AI for math. Mathematically, my work is rooted in probability theory and differential geometry among other necessary topics.

## Academic Positions

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### Fudan University, Research Institute of Intelligent Complex Systems

Postdoc Researcher Current  
- Conducting research on complex systems and stochastic processes, with applications to optimization and intelligent systems. - Collaborating with interdisciplinary teams on mathematical models for system analysis.

### SIMIS (Shanghai Institute for Mathematics and Interdisciplinary Sciences)

Postdoc Researcher Current  
- Leading research initiatives on mathematical modeling, queueing theory, and stochastic analysis. - Developing solutions to large-scale optimization problems for interdisciplinary projects.

### UC Berkeley, Department of Statistics

Lecturer (position terminated due to visa issues) 2024  
- Delivered undergraduate courses on probability theory, including topics such as stochastic processes, Markov chains, central limit theorem, and Poisson processes. - Developed teaching materials to strengthen conceptual understanding of random variables and probability applications.

### Cardinal Operations

Visiting Scholar 2024  
- Conducted research on stochastic processes, reflected Brownian motion, and queueing theory applications. - Collaborated with data science and engineering teams to implement optimization

strategies for operational systems.

### **New York University, Stern School of Business**

Instructor, Operations Management

2019

- Designed and taught undergraduate courses on operations research, focusing on optimization, scheduling, and queueing theory applied to business problems. - Applied real-world case studies to demonstrate theoretical models' relevance to business operations.

### **New York University, Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences**

Recitation Leader, Mathematics for Economics

2016

- Led problem-solving sessions for students in a course covering combinatorics, probability, and optimization. - Provided practical examples to enhance understanding of mathematical applications in economics.

### **New York University, Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences**

Teaching Assistant, Analysis III

2015

- Developed lecture notes, graded assignments, and created problem sets for a real analysis course. - Supported students in mastering complex mathematical concepts through targeted tutoring and office hours.

## **Publications and Preprints**

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### **Joint Multifractal Spectra for Correlated Gaussian Multiplicative Chaos and an Application to Circular $\beta$ -Ensembles**

Ziran Liu, *Preprint*, 2026.

### **Discrepancy of Pseudorandom Vectors Generated by Elliptic Curves in the Non-Maximal-Period Regime**

Ziran Liu and Chung Pang Mok, *Preprint*, 2026.

### **APS Spectral Flow for Selective Propagation in Geometric Deep Learning**

Ziran Liu, *Preprint*, 2026.

### **State-Dimension Laws for Prediction: Hankel Geometry of Finite-Memory Predictors**

Ziran Liu, *Preprint*, 2026.

### **Information-Constrained Prophet Inequalities via Kolmogorov–Wiener Prediction Theory**

Ziran Liu, *Preprint*, 2026.

### **Gaussian Chaos Noise: Variational Noise Design for Reliable Deep Learning**

Ziran Liu, *Submitted for Publication*, 2026.

### **Effective Hamiltonian and Asymptotics Rate for a Periodic Feynman–Kac Functional**

Ziran Liu, *Preprint*, 2025.

### **Variational Kernel Design for Internal Noise: GCh Noise and Representation Compatibility in Deep Learning**

Ziran Liu, *Submitted for Publication*, 2025.

## Approaching the Prescribed Gaussian Curvature by Discrete Conformality

Ziran Liu and Tianqi Wu, *Submitted for Publication*, 2024.

## Reflected Brownian Motion with Drift in a Wedge

Peter Lakner, Ziran Liu, Josh Reed, *Queueing Systems*, 2023.

## Reflected Brownian Motion and its Applications to Differential Geometry and Index Theory

Ziran Liu, *Ph.D. Thesis*, New York University, 2023.

## Stationary Gaussian Processes and the Kolmogorov–Wiener Prediction Problem

Ziran Liu, *M.S. Thesis*, New York University, 2016.

## Lichnerowicz Type Vanishing Theorem for Mathai-Zhang Index

Ziran Liu, *M.S. Thesis*, Nankai University, 2014.

## A Lichnerowicz Vanishing Theorem for Proper Cocompact Actions

Ziran Liu, *Preprint*, 2013.

## Recent Conferences and Invited Talks

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**RMT Summer School in Japan 2025**, Kyoto University

- Poster Session: [Cognition Meets Coulomb: VERA Beliefs Flow Like Log-Gases – A  \$\Gamma\$ -Convergence Perspective](#)

- September 8–12, 2025

**Nankai University, Symplectic Geometry Seminar**

- Talk: [Lecture on Hofer Length](#)

- June 20, 2025

**The 13th National Conference in Probability and Statistics**, Xiamen, China

- Invited Session I: Probability II, [Advanced Probabilistic Models and Experiment Designs](#)

- November 9, 2024

**INFORMS 2024 Annual Meeting**, Seattle, WA, USA

- Invited Session: [Interacting Particle Systems and Stochastic Networks](#)

- October 23, 2024

## Languages

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English (Native/Bilingual), Chinese (Native/Bilingual)

## Awards and Honors

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**Ernest Kurnow Fellowship**, NYU Stern School of Business

2021 – 2022

**NYU Stern Doctoral Fellowship**, New York University

2016 – 2020

**Outstanding Student Prize**, Nankai University

2009 – 2010

## References

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