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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Candidate in Economics, Columbia University	2014 – 2020 (Expected)
B.A. Economics, University of California, Los Angeles	2012 – 2014
Transfer, Diablo Valley College	2010 – 2012

FIELDS OF SPECIALIZATION

Microeconomics Theory, Behavioral Economics

JOB MARKET PAPER

“Ordered Reference Dependent Choice”

We introduce a unified framework under which the weak axiom of revealed preferences (WARP) and domain-specific standard postulates (e.g., Independence for choices over lotteries, Stationarity for choices over future consumption) are jointly relaxed using a general reference dependence approach. This leads to four models, one for choices over generic alternatives and one each for risk, time, and social preferences, where behavioral departures from WARP and standard postulates are explained by a common source -- changing preferences due to reference dependence. In each model, reference alternatives are given by the maximization of complete and transitive order, which determine the preference parameters that explain choices.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

“Avoidable Risk: An Experiment on Context-Dependent Risk Aversion”

“Consideration Sets and WARP Violations in Sequence of Real Choices”

AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND GRANTS

Dissertation fellowship, Department of Economics, Columbia University	2019 – 2020
Lewis A. Sanders Endowed Fellowship in Economics	2018 – 2019
Dean's Fellowship, Columbia University	2014 – 2019
CELSS Research Grant	2019
Wueller Teaching Award, Best TA for Master's Classes (Runner-Up)	2018
CELSS Research Grant	2017

TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIP

Graduate Micro (Game Theory, Mechanism Design), Georg Noldeke, Navin Kartik	Spring 2019
Graduate Micro (Decision Theory, General Equilibrium), Bernard Salanie	Fall 2018
Graduate Micro (Game Theory, Mechanism Design), Qingmin Liu, Navin Kartik	Spring 2018
Intermediate Microeconomics, Qingmin Liu	Fall 2017
Graduate Micro (Game Theory, Mechanism Design), Mark Dean	Spring 2017
Graduate Micro (Decision Theory, General Equilibrium), Pietro Ortoleva, Bernard Salanie	Fall 2016
Intermediate Microeconomics, Qingmin Liu	Spring 2016
Intermediate Macroeconomics, Jasmina Arifovic	Fall 2015

PERSONAL

Place of Birth: Kuala Lumpur, 1992

Citizenship: Malaysia

Languages: Malay (Native), English (Native), Chinese (Native), Cantonese (Basic), Indonesian (Basic)

REFERENCES

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