# Zhentao Shi

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#### Current Positions

• Associate Professor, Georgia Institute of Technology, 2021—present

## **Past Position**

- Associate Professor, the Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2020—2021
- Assistant Professor, the Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2014—2020

# **Degrees**

- Ph.D., Economics, Yale University, 2014
  - Committee: Peter C.B. Phillips (chair), Donald W.K. Andrews, Yuichi Kitamura
- M.A., Economics, Peking University, 2008
- B.A., Finance, Zhejiang University, 2005

### Fields of Concentration

- Econometric Theory
- Applied Econometrics

## **Publications**

"#" marks supervised postgraduate students

- Ji Hyung Lee, Zhentao Shi and #Zhan Gao (2022), "On LASSO for Predictive Regression," Journal of Econometrics
- Zhentao Shi and #Jingyi Huang (2022), "Forward-Selected Panel Data Approach for Program Evaluation," Journal of Econometrics
- Jinyuan Chang, Zhentao Shi and Jia Zhang (2022): "Culling the Herd of Moments with Penalized Empirical Likelihood," Journal of Business & Economic Statistics
- Cheng Hsiao, Zhentao Shi and Qiankun Zhou (2022): "Transformed Estimation for Panel Interactive Effects Models," Journal of Business & Economic Statistics
- Stephen L. Ross and Zhentao Shi (2022), "Measuring Social Interaction Effects when Instruments Are Weak," Journal of Business & Economic Statistics
- Wei Lin, Zhentao Shi, #Yishu Wang and #Ting Hin Yan (2022): "Unfolding Beijing in a Hedonic Way," Computational Economics
- Peter Phillips and Zhentao Shi (2021), "Boosting: Why You Can Use the HP Filter," *International Economic Review*, 62(2), 521-570
- #Kayan Cheng, Naijing Huang and Zhentao Shi (2021), "Survay-Based Forecasting: To Average or Not To Average," in Vladik Kreinovich, Songsak Sriboonchitta, Woraphon Yamaka

- (eds.), Studies in Computational Intelligence: Behavioral Predictive Modeling in Economics, vol. 897, pp 87-104, Springer-Verlag
- #Zhan Gao and Zhentao Shi (2021), "Implementing Convex Optimization in R: Two Econometric Examples," Computational Economics, 58, 1127-1135
- Zhentao Shi and Huanhuan Zheng (2018), "Structural Estimation of Behavioral Heterogeneity," Journal of Applied Econometrics, 33(5), 690-707
- Liangjun Su, Zhentao Shi and Peter Phillips (2016), "Identifying Latent Structures in Panel Data," *Econometrica*, 84(6), 2215-2264
- Zhentao Shi (2016), "Econometric Estimation with High-Dimensional Moment Equalities," Journal of Econometrics, 195, 104-119
- Zhentao Shi (2016), "Estimation of Sparse Structural Parameters with Many Endogenous Variables," *Econometric Reviews*, 35(8-10): 1582-1608
- James Chu, Liping Lu and Zhentao Shi (2009), "Pitfalls in Market Timing Test," *Economic Letters*, 103(3), 123–126
- (in Chinese): Zhentao Shi, Yuefei Zhang, and Yaogguang Chen (2006), "A Comparative Research on the Efficiency of China Mainland and Hong Kong Stock Markets," *Journal of Financial Research*, 6, 33-40
- (in Chinese): Zhentao Shi and Liuyong Yang (2004), "An Analysis of Long-run Gold Price Determinants," Journal of Statistical Research, 6 (2), 21-24

# **Working Papers**

- "High Dimensional Forecast Combinations Under Latent Structures," with Liangjun Su and Tian Xie, 2020, arXiv: 2010.09477, revised and resubmit at Review of Economics and Statistics
- "A Structural Network Pairwise Regression Model with Unobservable Heterogeneity," with Xi Chen, 2016

### Grants Awarded

- Co-investigator: the Research Grants Council (RGC) of Hong Kong, "Identifying the Latent Pattern in Impulse Responses," 2022-2024
- Principle investigator: the Research Grants Council (RGC) of Hong Kong No. 14500118, "A Machine Learning Approach to Combination Weights," HKD 247,520, 2018-2021
- Principle investigator: the Research Grants Council (RGC) of Hong Kong Early Career Scheme (ECS) No. 24614817, "Boosting Methods in Time Series and Panel Data," HKD 353,000, 2017-2019
- Principle investigator: Social Science Faculty, the Chinese University of Hong Kong Direct Grant No. 4052081, "College Roommate Peer Effect on Academic Achievement", 2015-2017

### **Professional Services**

• External reviewer: The Chinese University of Hong Kong (Shenzhen, China), Central University of Finance and Economics (Beijing, China), Research Grants Council of Hong

Kong

- Session organizer: International Conference on Econometrics and Statistics, 2018
- Scientific committee: International Association of Applied Econometrics Conference, 2017
- Referee for Journal of the Royal Statistical Society (Series B), Journal of the American Statistical Association, Review of Economics and Statistics, International Economic Review, Journal of Econometrics, Econometric Theory, Journal of Business and Economic Statistics, Econometric Review, Computational Economics, International Journal of Forecasting, Journal of Time Series Analysis, Journal of Multivariate Analysis, Journal of Statistical Planning and Inference, China Economic Review, Journal of Business Cycle Research, Journal of Productivity Analysis

## **Awards and Honors**

- Dissertation Fellowship, Yale University, 2013—2014
- Ph.D. Research Competition Award, Sim Kee Boon Institute for Financial Economics, Singapore Management University, 2012
- Cowles Foundation Fellowship / University Fellowship, Yale University, 2008—2013
- Excellence Scholarship First Prize, Zhejiang University, 2001—2005

# Postgraduate students

- Ph.D.
  - Jingyi Huang (2018, Barclays Capital Asia Limited)
- M.Phil.
  - Hongqi Chen (2017, Ph.D. program at University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign)
  - Zhan Gao (2018, Ph.D. program at University of Southern California)
  - Jinan Lin (2018, Ph.D. program at University of California Irvine)
  - Yang Chen (2019, Ph.D. program at Chinese University of Hong Kong)
  - Ka Yan Cheng (2021, Ph.D. program at Emory University)