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<b>HORNORS AND AWARDS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <b>Pierre-Simon Laplace Early Career Technical Achievement Award</b>, IEEE Signal Processing Society, 2022</li><li>2. <b>Best Paper Award</b>, IEEE Signal Processing Society, 2021, 2022</li><li>3. <b>Amazon Scholar</b>, 2022</li><li>4. <b>Best Paper Runner-Up Award</b>, The Conference on Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence (UAI), 2022 (top 2 of the total 712 submissions)</li><li>5. <b>Research Award</b>, Facebook (Meta) Research Award Program, 2021, 2022</li><li>6. <b>Best Student Paper Award (as advisor)</b>, NeurIPS Workshop on Scalability, Privacy, and Security in Federated Learning, 2020</li><li>7. <b>Best Paper Award</b>, International Consortium of Chinese Mathematicians (ICCM), 2020</li><li>8. <b>Research Award</b>, IBM Faculty Research Award Program, 2020</li><li>9. <b>Research Award</b>, NSF-Intel Joint Program for Future Wireless Systems Research, 2020</li><li>10. <b>Best Student Paper Award (Third Place, as advisor)</b>, Asilomar Conference on Signals, Systems and Computers, 2018</li><li>11. <b>Best Paper Prize Finalist (top 3)</b>, Young Researchers in Continuous Optimization Program from Mathematical Optimization Society 2013, 2016</li><li>12. <b>The Black &amp; Veatch Faculty Fellow</b>, Iowa State University, 2014-2017</li></ol>	

- RESEARCH AREA**
1. Distributed Signal and Information Processing
  2. Machine Learning Algorithms
  3. Mathematical Optimization Theory and Applications
- TEACHING**
1. Spring 2019, Spring 2022, *EE 3015 Signal and System*
  2. Fall 2017- Fall 2021, *EE 5239 Nonlinear Programming*
  3. Spring 2017, *IE 631 Nonlinear Programming*
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  5. Spring 2016, 2015, *IE 487/587 Big Data Optimization*
  6. Fall 2015, *IE 341 Production System*
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  3. W.-C. Liao, **M. Hong**, Z.-Q. Luo, H. Farmanbar, X. Li, H. Zhang, "System and Method for Joint Power Allocation and Routing for Software Defined Networks", US 20150119050, granted, 2019
  4. N. Zhang, W.-C. Liao, **M. Hong**, H. Baligh and Z.-Q. Luo, "Systems and Methods for Performing Traffic Engineering In a Communications Network", International Patent Application No. PCTIB2016051777, published
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11. M. Razaviyayn<sup>\*</sup>, T. Huang, S. Lu, M. Nouiehed, M. Sanjabi, **M. Hong**, “Non-convex Min-Max Optimization: Applications, Challenges, and Recent Theoretical Advances”, *IEEE Signal Processing Magazine*, Vol. 37, No 5, pp. 55-66, 2020

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15. K. Tang, N. Kan, J. Zou, C. Li, X. Fu, **M. Hong**, H. Xiong\*, "Multi-user Adaptive Video Delivery over Wireless Networks: A Physical Layer Resource-Aware Deep Reinforcement Learning Approach", accepted, *IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology*, 2020
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3. "Recent Advances of Zeroth-Order Optimization with Applications in Adversarial ML", IEEE GlobalSIP 2018 Symposium on Signal Processing for Adversary Machine Learning, Nov 2018
4. "Rate Optimal Methods for Distributed Non-Convex Optimization and Learning", Harvard University, ISS Seminar, Nov, 2018
5. "Rate Optimal Methods for Distributed Non-Convex Optimization and Learning", IBM AI Lab, Boston, Nov, 2018
6. "Rate Optimal Methods for Distributed Non-Convex Optimization and Learning", MIT LIDS, Nov, 2018
7. "Optimization and Signal processing", 2018 Workshop On New Computing-Driven Opportunities for Optimization, China, August 2018
8. "Rate Optimal Methods for Distributed Non-Convex Optimization and Learning", CMU ECE Department, May, 2018
9. "Rate Optimal Methods for Distributed Non-Convex Optimization and Learning", University of Wisconsin at Madison, Institute of Discovery, April, 2018
10. "Rate Optimal Methods for Distributed Non-Convex Optimization and Learning", CISS 2018, Princeton University
11. "Learning based Approach for Non-Convex Optimization and Resource Allocation", Zurich Seminar, Feb 2018
12. "Distributed and Learning Based Methods for Non-convex Optimization and Information Processing", ECE Department, Northwestern University, Jan. 2018
13. "Distributed and Learning Based Methods for Non-convex Optimization and Information Processing", IMA Data Science Seminar, University of Minnesota, Jan. 2018
14. "Distributed and Learning Based Methods for Non-convex Optimization and Information Processing", Chinese University of Hong Kong, Dec. 2017
15. "Learning to Optimize: Training Deep Neural Networks for Fast Wireless Resource Management", INFORMS 2017, Houston, Nov 2017
16. "The Proximal Primal-Dual Approach for Nonconvex Linearly Constrained Problems", 2017 DIMACS Workshop on Distributed Optimization, Information Processing, and Learning, Rutgers University, Aug 2017
17. "Learning to Optimize: Training Deep Neural Networks for Fast Wireless Resource Management", Nokia Machine Learning Workshop, Sept 2017
18. "The Proximal Primal-Dual Approach for Nonconvex Linearly Constrained Problems", Conference on Nonconvex Statistical Learning 2017, University of Southern California
19. "Optimization and Learning for Next Generation Wireless Systems", ECE Department, University of Minnesota, Mar. 2017
20. "Non-Convex Modeling and Computation for Machine Learning and Information Processing", ECE Department, UC Davis, Feb. 2017
21. "Non-Convex Optimization for Data and Information Processing", IE Department, Texas A&M University, Feb. 2017
22. "Recent Advancement in Nonconvex First-Order Primal Dual Methods: From Theory to Applications", Statistical Machine Learning Group, *Princeton University*, August 2016



23. "Does ADMM Converge for Nonconvex Problems?", *ICCOPT 2016, Japan*, August 2016
24. "A Unified Algorithmic Framework for Block-Structured Optimization Involving Big Data", The Department of Automation, *University of Science and Technology of China*, June 2016
25. "Modern first-order methods for large-scale optimization", *Modern Optimization and Application (MOA)*, invited short course, June 2016
26. "Iteration Complexity Analysis of Block Coordinate Descent Method", Math Department, *The University of Alabama*, March 2016
27. "A Unified Algorithmic Framework for Block-Structured Optimization Involving Big Data", ECEE Department, *Arizona State University*, February 2016
28. "A Unified Algorithmic Framework for Block-Structured Optimization Involving Big Data", CS Department, *The Johns Hopkins University*, December 2015
29. "A Unified Algorithmic Framework for Block-Structured Optimization Involving Big Data", CS Department, *University of Iowa*, October 2015
30. "Stochastic Proximal Gradient Consensus Over Time-Varying Multi-Agent Network", *INFORMS*, Philadelphia, 2015
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33. "Flexible ADMM for Block-Structured Convex and Nonconvex Optimization", *ICIAM*, Beijing, 2015
34. "A Unified Algorithmic Framework for Block-Structured Optimization Involving Big Data", ISEE Department, *Zhejiang University*, August 2015
35. "Iteration Complexity Analysis of Block Coordinate Descent Method", The State Key Laboratory of Scientific and Engineering Computing, *the Chinese Academy of Sciences*, July, 2015
36. "Convergence Analysis of Alternating Direction Method of Multipliers for a Family of Nonconvex Problems", *ISMP*, Pittsburgh 2015
37. "Flexible ADMM for Block-Structured Convex and Nonconvex Optimization", *University of Houston*, November, 2014
38. "The Block Successive Upper-Bound Minimization Methods of Multipliers", *INFORMS*, San Francisco, November, 2014
39. "Iteration Complexity Analysis of Block Coordinate Descent Method", *SIAM conference on Optimization*, San Diego, May, 2014
40. "Provision of Next-Generation Wireless Networks: A Large-Scale Optimization Approach", *Oregon State University*, Corvallis, March, 2014
41. "Large-Scale Structured Optimization: Algorithms and Applications", *Iowa State University*, Ames, February, 2014
42. "Large-Scale Structured Optimization: Algorithms and Applications", *NJIT*, Newark, February, 2014
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