

# Nur Kaynar

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## Academic Appointments

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**Samuel Curtis Johnson Graduate School of Management**

**SC Johnson College of Business**

**Cornell University**

Assistant Professor of Operations, Technology and Information Management (OTIM) 2022 - *present*

## Education

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**University of California, Los Angeles**

2017-2022

Anderson School of Management

Ph.D. in Decisions, Operations, and Technology Management

**Bilkent University, Turkey**

2015-2017

M.Sc., Industrial Engineering

**Bilkent University, Turkey**

2010-2015

B.Sc., Industrial Engineering

## Publications

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**Discovering Causal Models with Optimization: Confounders, Cycles, and Feature Selection.**

with Auyon Siddiq, Frederick Eberhardt.

*Management Science*, 2024.

Accepted for presentation in the 16<sup>th</sup> INFORMS Workshop on Data Mining and Decision Analytics.

Available online: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=3873034>

**Estimating Effects of Incentive Contracts in Online Labor Platforms.**

with Auyon Siddiq.

*Management Science*, 69.4, 2106-2126, 2023.

**Data-driven Decision Support Tools for Assessing the Vulnerability of Community Water Systems to Groundwater Contamination in Los Angeles County.**

with Kelsea Best, Aisha Najera Chesler, Michelle Miro, and Rachel Kirpes.

*Environmental Science & Policy*. 393-400, 2021.

**Approaches to Analyzing the Vulnerability of Community Water Systems to Groundwater Contamination in Los Angeles County.**

with Kelsea Best, Aisha Najera Chesler, Michelle Miro, and Rachel Kirpes.

*Research in Mathematics and Public Policy*. Springer, Cham, 19-28, 2020.

**Equitable decision making approaches over allocations of multiple benefits to multiple entities**

with Özlem Karsu.

*Omega*. 81:85-98, 2017.

## Working Papers

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**Causal Product Networks: A Data-driven Methodology for Modeling Basket-Shopping Consumer Behavior.**

with Vishal Gaur and Ziwei Zhu. Reject and Resubmit at *Management Science*.

**Long-Term Policy Prediction with Causal Graphs: Insights from Healthy Grocery Shopping.**

with Dmitry Mitrofanov. Under Review.

## Teaching

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### Johnson Graduate School of Management **Cornell University**

*Business Data Analysis with SQL*, Cornell Tech MBA program Summer 2024

*Business Data Analysis with SQL*, MBA program Spring 2024

*Introduction to Python for Business*, MBA program Spring 2023-2024

### Anderson School of Management, **University of California, Los Angeles**

*Optimization*, Master of Business Analytics Program Teaching Assistant 2020 - 2022

*Data and Decisions*, MBA Program Teaching Assistant 2019 - 2021

## Conferences and Talks

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### **Modeling Basket Shopping Consumer Behavior Using Causal Product Networks**

Consortium For Operational Excellence in Retailing (COER), June 2024

INFORMS Revenue Management and Pricing (RMP) Section Conference, July 2024

Bilkent University, September 2024

### **Long-Term Policy Prediction with Causal Graphs: Insights from Healthy Grocery Shopping**

MSOM Conference, July 2024

### **Discovering Causal Models with Optimization**

London Business School Seminar, September 2023

Johns Hopkins Carey Business School, October 2023

INFORMS Annual Meeting, October 2023

Cornell Bower CIS, Department of Statistics and Data Science Seminar, November 2023

16<sup>th</sup> INFORMS Workshop on Data Mining and Decision Analytics, October 2021

INFORMS Annual Meeting, October 2021

INFORMS Healthcare Conference, July 2021

California Institute of Technology, HSS Seminar, July 2021

Imperial-LBS-UCL ORMS Seminars, June 2021

MSOM Conference, June 2021

INFORMS Annual Meeting, November 2020

### **Estimating Effects of Incentive Contracts in Online Labor Platforms**

INFORMS Annual Meeting, October 2019

### **A Spatial Model of the Opioid Epidemic in California**

INFORMS Annual Meeting, October 2018

## Service

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Reviewer for Management Science, Manufacturing & Service Operations Management, Production and Operations Management, ICMLA, UAI, JMLR.

Session Chair/Co – Chair, INFORMS

2021, 2022, 2023

Member of the technical program committee and referee for 20<sup>th</sup> IEEE 2021 International Conference on Machine Learning and Applications (ICMLA, 2021).

Committee member for 8<sup>th</sup> Causal Inference Workshop at 37<sup>th</sup> Conference on Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence (UAI, 2021).

## Workshops

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*Workshop on Research Design for Causal Inference*, 2022. **Northwestern Pritzker School of Law.**

*Causality*, 2022. **Simons Institute for Theory and Computing**, University of California, Berkeley.

*Causal Discovery & Causality-Inspired Machine Learning*, 2020. **Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS).**

*Women in Mathematics and Public Policy*, 2019. **Institute for Pure & Applied Mathematics**, University of California, Los Angeles.