

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Dr. Triantaphyllou did his graduate studies at Penn State University from 1984 to 1990. While at Penn State, he earned a Dual M.S. degree in Environment and Operations Research, an M.S. degree in Computer Science and a Dual Ph.D. degree in Industrial Engineering and Operations Research. Currently, he is an Associate Professor in the Industrial and Manufacturing Systems Engineering Department at the Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, LA, USA.

His research is focused in decision making theory and applications, data mining and knowledge discovery, and the interface of operations research and computer science. Since the years he was a graduate student, he has developed new methods for data mining and knowledge discovery and also has explored some of the most fundamental and intriguing subjects in decision making. In 1999 he has received the prestigious IIE (Institute of Industrial Engineers), OR Division, Research Award for his research contributions in the above fields. Some of his graduate students have also received national awards and distinctions.

He always enjoys sharing the results of his research with his students and is also getting them actively involved in his research activities. He has received teaching awards and distinctions. His research has been funded by federal and state agencies, and the private sector. He has extensively published in some of the top refereed journals and made numerous presentations in national and international conferences.

Dr. Triantaphyllou has a strong inter-disciplinary background. He has always enjoyed organizing multi-disciplinary teams of researchers and practitioners with complementary expertise. These groups try to comprehensively attack some of the most urgent problems in the sciences and engineering. He is a strong believer of the premise that the next round of major scientific and engineering discoveries will come from the work of such inter-disciplinary groups. More details of his work can be found in his web site (<http://www.imse.Rsu.edu/vangeRis/>).