Boyi Hu

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Machine learning, large-scale multi-omics data, precision medicine, functional data analysis, semi-parametric models, empirical likelihood

TRAINING & EDUCATION

Postdoctoral Research Scientist in Biostatistics

10/2023 - PRESENT

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY IRVING MEDICAL CENTER

New York, NY 10032, USA

• Advisors: Professor Yuanjia Wang and Professor Annie J. Lee

Ph.D. in Statistics

09/2018 - 08/2023

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada

- Supervisor: Professor Jiguo Cao
- Thesis: Functional regression models

M.Sc. in Statistics

09/2016 - 08/2018

University of British Columbia Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

- Supervisor: Professor Jiahua Chen
- Thesis: An R package for monitoring test under density ratio model and its applications

M.Sc. in Mathematical Science

09/2014 - 06/2016

LAKEHEAD UNIVERSITY

Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada

• Supervisor: Professor Deli Li

B.Sc. in Applied Mathematics

09/2009 - 06/2013

University of Science and Technology of China

Hefei, Anhui, China

HONORS & AWARDS

Finalist, <i>ARISE</i> (Aging Research – Innovations in Statistical Exploration) program; selected for presentation in the ARISE Webinar Series (ASA Statistics and Data Science in Aging Interest Group)	2025
Alzheimer's Association International Conference 2025 (AAIC) Fellowship	2025
Finalist, Poster competition, 14th Annual Taub Institute Research Retreat	2024
Simon Fraser University Graduate Fellowship	2022 - 2023
Mitacs Accelerate Fellowship	2020 - 2021
Simon Fraser University Big Data Graduate Scholarships	2019
University of British Columbia International Tuition Award	2016

PUBLICATIONS & PREPRINTS

A. Original, peer-reviewed articles (In chronological order)

Statistical Methodology Publications:

1. **Boyi Hu** and Jiguo Cao (2024). "Locally Sparse Estimation for Simultaneous Functional Quantile Regression". Revision invited by *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics*, resubmitted.

- 2. **Boyi Hu**, Hua Liu, Jinhong You and Jiguo Cao (2024). "Convolution Smoothing based Locally Sparse Estimation for Functional Quantile Regression". Revision invited by *Journal of Agricultural, Biological, and Environmental Statistics*, resubmitted.
- 3. **Boyi Hu**, Xixi Hu, Hua Liu, Jinhong You and Jiguo Cao (2022). "Simultaneous Functional Quantile Regression". Accepted by *Statistica Sinica*. https://doi.org/10.5705/ss.202021.0248
- 4. Weiwei Zhuang, **Boyi Hu** and Jiahua Chen (2019). "Semiparametric Inference for the Dominance Index under the Density Ratio Model". *Biometrika*. 106(1), 229-241.

B. Preprints

Substantive Area Publications:

1. **Boyi Hu**, Badri N. Vardarajan, Philip L. De Jager, David A. Bennett, Yuanjia Wang and Annie J. Lee (2025). TPClust: Temporal Profile-Guided Disease Subtyping Using High-Dimensional Omics Data. Submitted to *Nature Methods*. https://www.biorxiv.org/content/early/2025/08/07/2025.08.05.668514

C. Working papers

- 1. **Boyi Hu**, Jinfeng Lu, David A. Bennett, Annie J. Lee and Badri N. Vardarajan (2025). Novel Short Tandem Repeats on the Telomere-to-Telomere Reference Genome are Associated with Alzheimer's Disease Neuropathology.
- 2. **Boyi Hu**, and Jiahua Chen (2025). Non-Parametric and Data-Driven Basis Function Estimation Under the Density Ratio Model.
- 3. **Boyi Hu**, and Jiguo Cao (2025). A Semi-Parametric Functional Generalized Linear Model with Density Ratio Structure.

D. Posters

- 1. "TPClust: Temporal Profile-Guided Disease Subtyping Using High-Dimensional Omics Data". *2025 Joint Statistical Meetings (JSM)*, Nashville, Tennessee, USA, 08/2025.
- 2. "TPClust: Temporal Profile-Guided Disease Subtyping Using High-Dimensional Omics Data". *Alzheimer's Association International Conference (AAIC) 2025*, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, 07/2025.
- 3. "Alzheimer's Disease Subtyping Using Longitudinal Clinical Data and Brain Transcriptome". *14th Annual Taub Institute Research Retreat*, New York, NY, USA, 09/2024.
- 4. "A Semi-Parametric Approach for Longitudinal Outcome-Guided Disease Subtyping Using High-Dimensional Omics Data". *2024 Columbia University Postdoctoral Research Symposium*, New York, NY, USA, 05/2024.

TALKS & PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks:

- Invited talk at 2025 Lifetime Data Science (LiDS) Conference: Novel Machine Learning Method Identifies Alzheimer's Disease Subtypes Using Longitudinal Clinical Data and High-dimensional Omics Data. 05/2025
- Invited talk at Department of Mathematics and Statistics, York University: Functional Regression Models. (remote via Zoom) 10/2023
- Invited seminar talk at School of Mathematics and Statistics, Carleton University: Functional Quantile Regression.
- International Workshop on Complex Functional Data Analysis: Simultaneous Functional Quantile Regression.(remote via Zoom)

Contributed Talks:

- 2025 International Conference on Alzheimer's and Parkinson's Diseases and Related Neurological Disorders
 (AD/PD): Novel Machine Learning Method Identified Alzheimer's Disease Subtypes Using Longitudinal Clinical
 Data and High-dimensional Omics Data. (Virtual)
- 2024 Joint Statistical Meetings (JSM): A Semi-Parametric Approach for Longitudinal Outcome-Guided Disease Subtyping Using High-Dimensional Omics Data. 08/2024
- 2023 Statistical Society of Canada (SSC) Annual Meeting: Simultaneous Functional Quantile Regression.

- 2022 Statistical Society of Canada (SSC) Annual Meeting: Convolution Smoothed Semi-parametric Quantile Functional Linear Regressions with Locally Sparse Adaptation.
 06/2022
- 2021 Canadian Statistical Sciences Institute (CANSSI) Showcase: Simultaneous Functional Quantile Regression. 11/2021

MENTORING & TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Mentoring	Experience	for Master's	Students'	Practicum

Masters' students, Department of Biostatistics, Columbia University

Yaduo Wang	09/2024 - 05/2025
• Xuesen Zhao	01/2024 - 05/2024
• Zuoqiao Cui	01/2024 - 05/2024
Zhengwei Song	01/2024 - 05/2024

Guest Lecturer, Columbia University

• BIST P9186-Statistical Practice and Research for Interdisciplinary Sciences (SPRIS) 04/2025

• BIST P9186-Statistical Practice and Research for Interdisciplinary Sciences (SPRIS) 04/2024

Teaching Assistant, Simon Fraser University

Held weekly labs and office hours, created and marked assignments and exams, delivered lectures in place of the instructor during their absence

STAT 380-Intro to Stochastic Process	01/2022 - 04/2022
STAT 330-Introduction to Mathematical Statistics	09/2021 - 12/2021
STAT 831-Statistical Theory	01/2020 - 04/2020
Statistics Workshop	09/2019 - 12/2019
Statistics Workshop	05/2019 - 08/2019
STAT 380-Intro to Stochastic Process	01/2019 - 04/2019
Statistics Workshop	09/2018 - 12/2018

Teaching Assistant, University of British Columbia

Held weekly labs and office hours, marked assignments and exams

• STAT 344-Sample Surveys	09/2017 - 12/2017
• STAT 251-Introductory Probability and Statistics	01/2017 - 04/2017
STAT 300-Intermediate Statistics for Applications	09/2016 - 12/2016

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Mitacs Accelerate Internship

11/2020 - 06/2021

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada

- Developed a machine learning-based wine recommendation engine for Quini, a startup company, as part of the Mitacs Accelerate program
- Advisor: Professor Jiguo Cao

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Poster Judge

• 2024 Columbia University Postdoctoral Research Symposium

Reviewer

- Biometrics
- · Statistics in Medicine
- Journal of Agricultural, Biological, and Environmental Statistics
- Stat

Volunteer

- Volunteer at 2018 Joint Statistical Meetings (JSM), Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada
- Volunteer at International Chinese Statistical Association (ICSA)-Canada Chapter 2017 Symposium, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada