

Yi-Chen Zhang

Curriculum Vitae



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EDUCATION

- 2013 – 2018 **Doctor of Philosophy**
Statistics and Probability
Michigan State University, USA
- 2007 – 2009 **Master of Science**
Graduate Institute of Statistics
National Central University, Taiwan
- 2003 – 2007 **Bachelor of Science**
Department of Mathematics
National Central University, Taiwan

WORK EXPERIENCE

- Algorithm Engineer** CURRENT, FROM JUL. 2018
APTIV — Global Technology Company
Scene Perception Algorithm Team (Oct. 2020-Present)
Fused Road Model (FRM) Team (Sep. 2018-Sep. 2020)
 - Mainly develop fusion algorithms for object trail processing
 - Fused track converter for ROS, Appsil, and AA variants
 - Design FRM state machine and mode manager
 - Error handling for vision, object fusion, and vehicle state inputs
 - Coverity Static Analysis including AUTOSAR and MISRA C++
 - Develop unit test and component test for FRM component
 - Sporadically acted as the scrum master for FRMAutonomous Driving Behavior Team (Jul. 2018-Aug. 2018)
 - Develop a prediction and cost function based algorithm to perform cooperative social behavior
 - Work in Otto code migration from urban to highway

Teaching Assistant AUG. 2013 – MAY. 2018
Department of Statistics and Probability, MSU
 - TA for many undergraduate courses.
 - Instructor at lower level undergraduate course in Summer 2015

Research Assistant JAN. 2016 – DEC. 2016
Computational Mathematics, Science and Engineering, MSU
 - Work in neuroimaging data, including movement correction, denoising, registration, and Fourier analysis.

Research Assistant AUG. 2010 – JUL. 2013
Institute of Statistical Science, Academia Sinica
 - Functional clustering and classification
 - Functional linear model and its prediction
 - Missing value imputation and outlier detection for functional data
 - Assistant for Chiou, J.-M., *Annals of Applied Statistics*, 2012

Corporal AUG. 2009 – AUG. 2010
Military Service, Taiwan

Network Administrator JUL. 2007 – JUL. 2009
Graduate Institute of Statistics, NCU

Network Administrator FEB. 2005 – JUN. 2007
Mathematics Computation Laboratory, NCU

Newtork Assistant FEB. 2004 – JAN. 2005
Mathematics Computation Laboratory, NCU

COMPUTER SKILLS

- EXPERT R, MATLAB, C++, Linux, Git, \LaTeX
- INTERMEDIATE Python, Perl, ROS, HPCC, TikZ
- BEGINNER MySQL, PHP, OpenMP, MPI

SKILLS

Machine Learning

I have been interested in machine learning such as clustering and classification. My education and research have cemented this interest into a passion. I greatly enjoy carrying out statistics research with potential practical applications.

Leadership Communication

I believe in action over long-winded discussions. I listen to everyone's viewpoints and use my judgment to immediately act based on consensus to achieve goals quickly and efficiently.

DOCTORAL RESEARCH

“Functional Data Analysis with Application to Traffic Flow Data”

My research examined the use of functional principal component analysis (FPCA) to analyze traffic flow data. We propose a non-parametric functional data approach to process traffic flow data, a functional naive Bayes classifier to classify traffic flow pattern, a mixture prediction approach to predict future traffic flow, and a two-step segmentation procedure to estimate both the number and locations of the mean change-points of a traffic flow sequence.

AWARDS

- 2017 **Dissertation Continuation Fellowship**
College of Natural Science, MSU
- 2018 **Dissertation Completion Fellowship**
College of Natural Science, MSU

PUBLICATIONS

- Zhang, Y.-C.** (2020+). *Dynamical Highway Vehicle Lane Classification Using Vehicle Trails*. (In preparation)
- Zhang, Y.-C.** (2020). *Road Geometry Estimation Using Vehicle Trails: A Linear Mixed Model Approach*. (submitted to IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Transportation Systems)
- Zhang, Y.-C.** and Sakhanenko, L. (2019). *The Naive Bayes Classifier for Functional Data*. *Statistics & Probability Letters* 152, 137-146.
- Chiou, J.-M., **Zhang, Y.-C.**, Chen, W.-H., and Chang, C.-W. (2014). *A Functional Data Approach to Missing Value Imputation and Outlier Detection for Traffic Flow Rate Data*. *Transportmetrica B: Transport Dynamics* 2, 106-129.
- Fan, T.-H., Wang, Y.-F., and **Zhang, Y.-C.** (2014). *Bayesian Model Selection in Linear Mixed Effects Models with AR(1) Errors Using Mixture Priors*. *Journal of Applied Statistics* 41, 1814-1829.