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EDUCATION

University of Waterloo

September 2017 - Present

PhD in Statistics

Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science

University of British Columbia

August 2015 - April 2017

MSc in Statistics

Department of Statistics

University of Notre Dame

August 2012 - May 2015

BSc in Applied Mathematics

Department of Applied and Computational Mathematics and Statistics

RESEARCH INTERESTS

High Dimensional Data Analysis, Functional Data Analysis, Machine Learning

RECENT PROJECTS

Longitudinal Data Analysis with High Dimensional Covariates

September 2019 - Present

• Proposed supervised and unsupervised learning framework for handling time-varying biomarkers in cancer related applications.

Dimensional Reduction for High Dimensional and Functional Data January 2018 - Present

 Proposed an innovative framework for efficient dimension reduction of high dimensional and functional data, which can serve as alternative to principal component analysis (PCA).

Legal Study on Labor Unions in British Columbia, Canada September 2016 - November 2019

• Conducted appropriate statistical analysis, provided oral and written reports, and prepared the data analysis for the research paper.

Bayesian Inference for Time Series

January 2016 - April 2017

• Proposed an innovative inference method for autoregressive stochastic volatility model using Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC).

RESEARCH PAPERS

- 1. Xie, Y., Rice, G., and Kolkiewicz, A. (2019+). Projection pursuit based tests of normality with functional data. Under revision. Journal of Statistical Planning and Inference.
- 2. Xie, Y., Rice, G., and Kolkiewicz, A. (2019+). Functional time series forecasting via projection pursuit. Ready for submission.
- 3. Jiang, S. and Xie, Y. (2019+). Dynamic prediction for time-to-event data based on a functional projection pursuit algorithm. Working paper.
- 4. Xie, Y., Rice, G., and Kolkiewicz, A. (2019+). Dimension reduction using projection pursuit in functional change-point detection. Working paper.

- 5. Xie, Y., Rice, G., and Kolkiewicz, A. (2019+). Change-point detection based on empirical characteristic functionals. Working paper.
- 6. Xie, Y. and Nolde, N. (2019+). A flexible inference method for an autoregressive stochastic volatility model. Working paper.

CONFERENCES

11th International Conference on Bioinformatics Models, Methods and Algorithms

February 2020

Xie, Y. and Jiang, S. (2020). Variable Selection Based on a Two-stage Projection Pursuit Algorithm.

2019 Statistical Society of Canada Annual Meeting

May 2019

Xie, Y., Rice, G., and Kolkiewicz, A. (2019). An Application of Projection Pursuit in Functional Data Analysis: Functional Normality Test.

2018 Statistical Society of Canada Annual Meeting

June 2018

Xie, Y. and Nolde, N. (2018). A Flexible Inference Method for an Autoregressive Stochastic Volatility Model with an Application to Risk Management.

HONORS AND AWARDS

| UWGS Scholarship | 2017, 2018, 2019 |
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| Department Chairs Award | 2018 |
| Statistical Society of Canada Annual Meeting Best Poster Award | 2018 |
| Statistical Society of Canada Annual Meeting Student Travel Award | 2016 |

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant Mathematical Statistics, Applied Linear Models, Computational Statistics and Data Analysis

Teaching Assistant
Elementary Statistics for Applications

 $September\ 2017\ -\ December\ 2018$ University of Waterloo

September 2015 - April 2017 University of British Columbia

PROGRAMMING SKILLS

R, Python, Tensorflow, Keras, SQL, Winbugs

REFERENCES

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