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## Current position

### Michigan State University

Assistant Professor, Epidemiology and Biostatistics  
Research areas: machine learning, causal inference, semiparametric inference

2023–now

## Education

### University of Washington

PhD, Biostatistics  
Dissertation advisor: Marco Carone, PhD and Alex Luedtke, PhD

2016–2021

### The Chinese University of Hong Kong

B.Sc., Mathematics; Minor in Statistics

2012–2016

## Previous Work Experience

### Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania

Postdoctoral researcher, Statistics  
Supervisor: Eric Tchetgen Tchetgen, PhD and Edgar Dobriban, PhD  
Research areas: machine learning, causal inference, semiparametric inference

2021–2023

### Kaiser Permanente Washington Health Research Institute

*Graduate Research Assistant*  
PRimary care Opioid Use Disorders Treatment (PROUD) Trial  
Advisor: Jennifer F. Bobb, PhD

2016–2021

## Teaching Experience

### University of Washington

*Tutor*  
STAT 583: Advanced Theory of Statistical Inference  
Topics including: empirical processes, semiparametric efficiency  
Instructors: Alex Luedtke, PhD and Marco Carone, PhD

Spring 2019

## University of Washington

Teaching Assistant

Winter 2019

BIOST 557: Applied Statistics and Experimental Design

Topics including: one/two-sample t-test, linear models, GLMs, causation versus correlation

Instructor: Brian Lerous, PhD

## University of Washington

Grader

Winter 2018

STAT 582: Advanced Theory of Statistical Inference

Topics including: Bayes methods, decision theory, UMPU test

Instructor: Jon A. Wellner, PhD

## Publications

(† stands for equal contribution.)

## Methodology

1. **Qiu H**, Dobriban E, Tchetgen Tchetgen E (2022). Prediction Sets Adaptive to Unknown Covariate Shift. *arXiv preprint: arXiv:2203.06126*. Accepted by *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Series B (Statistical Methodology)*.
2. **Qiu H**, Luedtke A (2022). Adversarial Meta-Learning of Gamma-Minimax Estimators That Leverage Prior Knowledge. *arXiv preprint: arXiv:2003.05465*. Accepted by *Electronic Journal of Statistics*.
3. **Qiu H**, Carone M, Luedtke A (2022). Individualized treatment rules under stochastic treatment cost constraints. *Journal of Causal Inference*, 10(1), 480–493.
4. **Qiu H**, Luedtke A, Carone M (2021). Universal sieve-based strategies for efficient estimation using machine learning tools. *Bernoulli*, 27(4), 2300–2336.
5. **Qiu H**, Carone M, Sadikova E, Petukhova M, Kessler R, Luedtke A (2020). Optimal individualized decision rules using instrumental variable methods. *Journal of the American Statistical Association* (with discussion), 116(533), 174–191.
6. Bobb J, **Qiu H**, Matthews, A, McCormack J, Bradley K (2020). Addressing identification bias in the design and analysis of cluster-randomized pragmatic trials: a case study. *Trials*, 21(1), 289.
7. **Qiu H**, Luedtke A, van der Laan M (2019). Contribution to discussion of “Entropy Learning for Dynamic Treatment Regimes” by Jiang B, Song R, Li J, Zeng D. *Statistica Sinica*, 29(4): 1666–1678.

## Application

8. Wartko PD, **Qiu H**, Idu A, Yu O, McCormack J, Matthews AG, Bobb JF, Saxon AJ, Campbell CI, Liu D, Braciszewski JM, Murphy SM, Burganowski RP, Murphy MT, Horigian VE, Hamilton LK, Lee AK, Boudreau DM, Bradley KA (2022). Baseline representativeness of patients in clinics enrolled in the PRimary care Opioid Use Disorders treatment (PROUD) trial: comparison of trial and non-trial clinics in the same health systems. *BMC Health Services Research*, 22(1), 1–11.

9. Fitts W, Tassiou NR, Cisse FA, Vogel A, Atakla HG, Sakadi F, **Qiu H**, Conde ML, Balde AT, Bah AK, Hamani ABD, Anand P, Patenaude B, Mateen F (2019). School Status and its Associations among Children with Epilepsy in the Republic of Guinea. *Epilepsy & Behavior*, 97, 275–281.
10. Jang M, Sakadi F, Tassiou NR, Abass CF, Grundy SJ, Woga A, Kenda BA, Lamine CM, Talibé BA, **Qiu H**, Cohen JM, Carone M, Mateen FJ (2018). Impact of Poorly Controlled Epilepsy in the Republic of Guinea. *Seizure*, 61, 71–77.
11. Zhou Y<sup>†</sup>, **Qiu H**<sup>†</sup>, Xu S (2017). Modeling continuous admixture using admixture-induced linkage disequilibrium. *Scientific Reports*, 7, 1–10.

## Preprint/under review

12. **Qiu H**, Tchetgen Tchetgen E, Dobriban E (2023). Efficient and Multiply Robust Risk Estimation under General Forms of Dataset Shift. *arXiv preprint: arXiv:2306.16406*
13. **Qiu H**, Luedtke A (2022). Adversarial Meta-Learning of Gamma-Minimax Estimators That Leverage Prior Knowledge. *arXiv preprint: arXiv:2003.05465*
14. **Qiu H**, Shi X, Miao W, Dobriban E, Tchetgen Tchetgen E (2022). Doubly robust proximal synthetic controls. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2210.02014*
15. **Qiu H**, Cook A, Bobb J (2022). Evaluating tests for cluster-randomized trials with few clusters under generalized linear mixed models with covariate adjustment: a simulation study. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2209.04364*

## Presentations

1. “Doubly Robust Proximal Synthetic Controls.” **Qiu H**, Xu S, Miao W, Dobriban E, Tchetgen Tchetgen E.
  - 2023 American Causal Inference Conference
2. “Distribution-Free Prediction Sets Adaptive to Unknown Covariate Shift.” **Qiu H**, Dobriban E, Tchetgen Tchetgen E.
  - 2022 Joint Statistical Meeting
  - 2022 American Causal Inference Conference (poster)
3. “Optimal individualized decision rules using instrumental variable methods.” **Qiu H**, Carone M, Sadikova E, Petukhova M, Kessler R, Luedtke A.
  - 2021 Joint Statistical Meetings
  - 2020 ENAR Spring Meeting
4. “Constructing asymptotically normal plug-in estimators with highly adaptive Lasso and data adaptive series.” **Qiu H**, Luedtke A & Carone M.
  - 2019 WNAR/IMS/JR (Japanese Region) meeting

## Reviewer for International Journals and Conferences

- *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series B (Statistical Methodology)*
- *Journal of the American Statistical Association*
- *Biometrics*
- *Journal of Causal Inference*
- *Biostatistics*
- *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics*
- *International Journal of Biostatistics*
- *Statistical Methods in Medical Research*
- *Stat*
- 37th Conference on Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence (UAI 2021)

## Awards and Fellowships

### University of Washington

Scholarship for 6th Seattle Symposium in Biostatistics

October 2020

2018 Donovan J. Thompson Award

October 2018

## Software

**RiskEstDShift**    Efficient risk estimation under dataset shift.

**APACpredset**    Asymptotically Probably Approximately Correct prediction sets under unknown covariate shift.

**CAMer**    Continuous Admixture Modeling based on the result of iMAAPs.

## Languages and Skills

Programming:

- proficient: R
- familiar: Python, MATLAB
- basic: SAS, Stan, JAGS, C++, C

Operating systems: Windows, Unix

Other computer skills: Git, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Markdown, Microsoft Office

Languages: English (fluent), Chinese Mandarin (native), Chinese Cantonese (basic)