Ruiyi Yang

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EDUCATION

University of Chicago, Chicago, IL.

Sep 2017–Jun 2022 (expected)

- Ph.D. in Computational and Applied Mathematics. GPA: 3.90/4.0
 - Advisor: Daniel Sanz-Alonso.
 - Research interests: Bayesian inverse problems, Gaussian processes, graph-based machine learning, nonparametric statistics.
 - Thesis: Graph Matérn Fields with Applications in Inverse Problems and Machine Learning.

University of California, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA.

Sep 2013–Jun 2017

2019

Feb 2021

- B.S. in Mathematics. GPA: 3.89/4.0
 - College Honors Program.
 - Departmental Highest Honor.
 - Magna Cum Laude.

Publications and Preprints (Authors are ordered alphabetically in all papers.)

- 1. D. Sanz-Alonso, and R. Yang. Finite Element Representations of Gaussian Fields: Balancing Numerical and Statistical Accuracy. *Submitted*, 2021. Preprint available at https://arxiv.org/abs/2109.02777.
- 2. B. Aragam and R. Yang. Uniform Consistency in Nonparametric Mixture Models. *Submitted*, 2021. Preprint available at https://arxiv.org/abs/2108.14003.
- 3. D. Sanz-Alonso and R. Yang. Unlabeled Data Help in Graph-Based Semi-Supervised Learning: A Bayesian Nonparametrics Perspective. *Submitted*, 2021. Preprint available at https://arxiv.org/abs/2008.11809.
- 4. D. Sanz-Alonso and R. Yang. The SPDE Approach to Matérn Fields: Graph Representations. *To appear in Statistical Science*, 2021+. Preprint available at https://arxiv.org/abs/2004.08000.
- 5. J. Harlim, D. Sanz-Alonso, and R. Yang. Kernel Methods for Bayesian Elliptic Inverse Problems on Manifolds. SIAM/ASA Journal on Uncertainty Quantification 8(4), 1414-1445, 2020.
- N. García Trillos, D. Sanz-Alonso, and R. Yang. Local Regularization of Noisy Point Clouds: Improved Global Geometric Estimates and Data Analysis. *Journal of Machine Learning Research*, 20(136):1–37, 2019.

Awards

- Harper Dissertation Fellowship, University of Chicago.
 In recognition of record or achievement and professional promise, one of University of Chicago's highest honors.
- Travel Award, SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering. 2021
- Travel Award, SIAM Conference on Mathematics of Data Science. 2020
- Travel Award, GTDAML Graduate Student Conference.

Talks

- Matérn Gaussian Fields on Graphs: Theory and Applications.
 Joint Statistical Meetings.
 Topic-contributed Session: "Algorithms for Threat Detection" (Virtual).
- Graph-Based Methods for Bayesian Elliptic Inverse Problems on Manifold.
 SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering.
 Minisymposium: "Data-Driven Scientific Computing" (Virtual).
- Graph-Based Approximation of Matérn Gaussian Fields.
 University of Wisconsin-Madison Statistics Seminar (Virtual).

Graph-Based Methods for Inverse Problems on Manifolds and Point Clouds. Jun 2020
 SIAM Conference on Mathematics of Data Science.
 Minisymposium: "Bridging Data Assimilation with Data-driven analysis" (Virtual).

• Local Regularization of Noisy Point Clouds. GTDAML Graduate Student Conference, The Ohio State University. Jun 2019

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

• University of Chicago Teaching Assistant

- CAAM 31210: Applied Functional Analysis. Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Winter 2021

- STAT 24300: Numerical Linear Algebra. Fall 2020

- CAAM 31511: Monte Carlo Simulation. Spring 2020

- STAT 31700: Introduction to Probability Models. Winter 2020

- CAAM 31450: Applied Partial Differential Equations. Spring 2019

- CAAM 31220: Partial Differential Equations. Winter 2019

Skills Matlab, Python, R.