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# Jonathan P Williams

#### PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

Assistant Professor (tenure-track), Department of Statistics, NC State University

Research Collaborator, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN

2017 Biostatistics Intern, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN

Statistical Consultant, Caster Concepts, Inc, Albion, MI

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#### **EDUCATION**

### University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

2014 - 2019

Department of Statistics and Operations Research

PhD Statistics

Advisors: Dr. Jan Hannig (UNC) and Dr. Curtis Storlie (Mayo Clinic)

#### New York University, New York, NY

2012 - 2014

Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences

MS Mathematics Advisor: Dr. Ying Lu

# Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, MI

2008 - 2012

Honors College

BS double major in Economics and Mathematics, minor in Finance

Summa Cum Laude

### PEER-REVIEWED PAPERS

- 1. N Son, **J P Williams**, C Afoakwah, S K Ng, Q Huynh, and J Byrnes (2020+). The progression of a heart attack: A population-based longitudinal cohort study. *In review*.
- 2. **J P Williams**, Y Xie, and J Hannig (2019+). The EAS approach for graphical selection consistency in vector autoregression models. *In review*.
- 3. **J P Williams**, C B Storlie, T M Therneau, C R Jack Jr, and J Hannig (2019). A Bayesian approach to multi-state hidden Markov models: application to dementia progression. *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, pp.1–21.
- 4. **J P Williams** and J Hannig (2019). Non-penalized variable selection in high-dimensional linear model settings via generalized fiducial inference. *The Annals of Statistics* 47 (3), pp.1723–1753.
- 5. E Sechi, E Shosha, J P Williams, S J Pittock, B G Weinshenker, B M Keegan, N L Zalewski, A S Lopez-Chiriboga, J Jitprapaikulsan, and E P Flanagan (2019). Aquaporin-4 and MOG autoantibody discovery in idiopathic transverse myelitis epidemiology. Neurology 93 (4), pp.e414–e420.
- 6. I Carmichael and **J P Williams** (2018). An exposition of the false confidence theorem. Stat 7 (1), pp.e201.
- J P Williams and Y Lu (2015). Covariance Selection in the Linear Mixed Effect Model, Journal
  of Machine Learning Research: Workshop and Conference Proceedings 44, pp.277–291. (NIPS
  conference session)

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

- The EAS approach for graphical selection consistency in vector autoregression models. 12th International Conference of the European Research Consortium for Informatics and Mathematics Working Group on Computational and Methodological Statistics (CMStatistics 2019), University of London, UK, December 2019.
- The EAS approach for graphical selection consistency in vector autoregression models. Sixth Bayesian, Fiducial, and Frequentist Conference on Model Uncertainty, Duke University and SAMSI, May 2019.
- 3. Non-penalized variable selection in high-dimensional settings via generalized fiducial inference. Seminar, Department of Statistics, University of Florida Gainesville, January 2019.
- 4. Non-penalized variable selection in high-dimensional settings via generalized fiducial inference. Seminar, Department of Statistics, Iowa State University, January 2019.
- Non-penalized variable selection in high-dimensional settings via generalized fiducial inference. Seminar, Department of Statistics, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, December 2018.
- Non-penalized variable selection in high-dimensional settings via generalized fiducial inference. Seminar, Department of Statistics, North Carolina State University, December 2018.
- Non-penalized variable selection via generalized fiducial inference. Graduate Seminar, Department of Statistics and Operations Research, UNC Chapel Hill, November 2018.
- 8. Non-penalized variable selection via generalized fiducial inference. AISC 2018 International Conference on Advances in Interdisciplinary Statistics and Combinatorics, UNC Greensboro, October 2018.
- 9. Non-penalized variable selection in high-dimensional settings via generalized fiducial inference. 27th Nordic Conference in Mathematical Statistics, Tartu, Estonia, June 2018.
- A Bayesian approach to multi-state hidden Markov models: application to dementia progression. Graduate Seminar, Department of Statistics and Operations Research, UNC Chapel Hill, September 2017.
- 11. Non-penalized variable selection in high-dimensional linear model settings via generalized fiducial inference. *Graduate Seminar*, Department of Statistics and Operations Research, UNC Chapel Hill, February 2017.
- 12. A Bayesian approach to multi-state hidden Markov models: application to dementia progression. *Tea Time for Science*, Biomedical Statistics and Informatics, Health Sciences Research, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN, August 2016.

# POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- Non-penalized variable selection via generalized fiducial inference. Recycled Poster Session of the North Carolina Chapter of the American Statistical Association, SAS Campus, NC, September 2019.
- Non-penalized variable selection via generalized fiducial inference. Fifth Bayesian, Fiducial, and Frequentist Conference, University of Michigan Ann Arbor, May 2018.
- Generalized fiducial inference for high dimensional problems. Invited Poster Session, Joint Statistical Meeting, Baltimore, MD, July 2017.
- Non-penalized variable selection in high-dimensional linear model settings via generalized fiducial inference. Fourth Bayesian, Fiducial, and Frequentist Conference, Harvard University, May 2017.
- 5. Covariance Selection in the Linear Mixed Effect Model. Feature Extraction: Modern Questions and Challenges, NIPS, Montreal, Canada, December 2015.

### **AWARDS**

• Best poster award, Recycled Poster Session of the NC ASA	September 2019
• Graduate Student Travel Grant – 1,000 USD	Summer 2018
• Carl M. Erikson Mathematics Department Scholarship	2011 - 2012
• Regents Scholarship	2009 - 2012
• National Scholars Program Scholarship	2008 - 2012
• Leader Award Scholarship	2009 - 2011

# PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

- Session Chair; Statistics for complex inference problems in data science. 12th International Conference of the European Research Consortium for Informatics and Mathematics Working Group on Computational and Methodological Statistics (CMStatistics 2019), University of London, UK, December 2019.
- Session Chair; Statistical Controversies in Forensic Evidence Interpretation. *International Chinese Statistical Association Conference*, Raleigh, NC, June 2019.

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• Referee for <i>Biometrics</i>	1 time
• Referee for Communications in Statistics – Theory and Methods	1 time
• Referee for Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics	1 time
• Referee for <i>Computers</i>	1 time
• Referee for <i>PLOS ONE</i>	1 time
• Referee for <i>Stat</i>	4 times
• Referee for Journal of Statistical Planning and Inference	1 time

### COMPUTING SKILLS

R, Python, Julia, Linux, HPC environments Examples of my written code/programs are available on my website

# **TEACHING**

• Linear models (graduate; ST 705 NCSU)	Spring '20
$\bullet$ Fundamentals of statistical inference II (graduate; ST 502 NCSU)	Fall '19
• STOR-BIOS grad student boot camp (real analysis section; UNC)	Summer '17
• Introduction to statistics (first year undergraduate; STOR 155 UNC)	Spring '16, Fall '16
• Tutor (economics and mathematics undergraduate; EMU)	'09 - '12

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

Fed Challenge Competition - Chicago Federal Reserve District 3/'08, 11/'08, 11/'09, 11/'10, 11/'11