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# Jonathan P Williams

#### **EDUCATION**

# University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

2014 - 2019

Department of Statistics and Operations Research

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

#### **POSITIONS**

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

2019 -

#### PEER-REVIEWED PAPERS

- 1. J P Williams, Y Xie, and J Hannig (2019+). The EAS approach for graphical selection consistency in vector autoregression models. In review.
- 2. 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. To appear in the Journal of the American Statistical Association.
- 3. 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), 1723-1753.
- 4. E Sechi, E Shosha, J P Williams, S Pittock, B Weinshenker, M Keegan, N Zalewski, S Lopez-Chiriboga, J Jitprapaikulsan, E Flanagan (2019). A Population-Based Study of Idiopathic Transverse Myelitis with Aquaporin-4-IgG and Myelin-Oligodendrocyte-Glycoprotein-IgG Assessment (S11.007). Neurology, 92, (15 Supplement) S11.007.
- 5. I Carmichael and J P Williams (2018). An exposition of the false confidence theorem. Stat, 7 (1), p.e201.
- 6. 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**

- 1. 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 (invited).
- Non-penalized variable selection in high-dimensional settings via generalized fiducial inference. Seminar, Department of Statistics, University of Florida Gainesville, January 2019.
- 3. Non-penalized variable selection in high-dimensional settings via generalized fiducial inference. Seminar, Department of Statistics, Iowa State University, January 2019.
- 4. 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.
- Non-penalized variable selection via generalized fiducial inference. AISC 2018 International Conference on Advances in Interdisciplinary Statistics and Combinatorics, UNC Greensboro, October 2018.
- 8. Non-penalized variable selection in high-dimensional settings via generalized fiducial inference. 27th Nordic Conference in Mathematical Statistics, Tartu, Estonia, June 2018 (invited).
- 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.
- 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.
- 11. 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. Fifth Bayesian, Fiducial, and Frequentist Conference, University of Michigan Ann Arbor, May 2018.
- 2. Generalized fiducial inference for high dimensional problems. *Invited Poster Session*, *Joint Statistical Meeting*, Baltimore, MD, July 2017 (**invited** poster with Jan Hannig).
- 3. Non-penalized variable selection in high-dimensional linear model settings via generalized fiducial inference. Fourth Bayesian, Fiducial, and Frequentist Conference, Harvard University, May 2017.
- 4. Covariance Selection in the Linear Mixed Effect Model. Feature Extraction: Modern Questions and Challenges, NIPS, Montreal, Canada, December 2015.

# AWARDS

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 ACTIVITIES

Referee for  $\it Journal$  of Computational and Graphical Statistics (once)

Referee for Journal of Statistical Planning and Inference (once)

Referee for Stat (4 times)

### **TEACHING**

STOR-BIOS Dept Boot Camp for incoming stat and biostat grad students Summer 2017

· Manager of the two-week Boot Camp, and instructor of the real analysis section.

# Teaching Fellow, UNC, Chapel Hill, NC

2014 - 2016

- · Introduction to Statistics (Full teaching responsibilities for a class of 46 and for a class of 83 students).
- · Introduction to Statistics (Teaching Assistant).
- · Undergraduate Regression Analysis (Teaching Assistant).

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

· Research Collaborator, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN 2017 - Present

· Biostatistics Intern, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN Summer 2016

· Statistical Consultant, Caster Concepts, Inc, Albion, MI 2011 - 2014

· Tutor (economics and mathematics), Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, MI 2009 - 2012

### OTHER ACTIVITIES

Fed Challenge Competition - Chicago Federal Reserve District March 2008, November 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011