

# Zehan Yang

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## QUALIFICATION

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- Strong background using R, SAS and Python for research and projects.
- Sufficient experience in dealing with medical data.
- Proficient in statistical modeling using general linear model.
- Proven ability to identify, analyze, and solve problems.
- Worked both as a member and independently.

## EDUCATION

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- **University of Connecticut** Storrs, CT, USA  
*Ph.D. in Statistics; GPA: 3.93/4.3* Aug 2023(Expected)  
Relevant course: Statistical Computing, Multivariate Statistics, Design of Experiments, Applied Statistics, Mathematical Statistics, Linear Statistical Models, Statistical Inference, Survival Analysis.  
Research Interest: Optimal Subsampling for Big Survival Data.
- **Xi'an Jiaotong University** Xi'an, China  
*Bachelor of Computational Mathematics; GPA: 3.43/4.3* May 2018

## SKILLS SUMMARY

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- **Languages:** R, SAS, C++, Matlab, Python
- **Tools:** LaTeX, Git, HPC Cluster, Slurm Workload Manager

## EXPERIENCE

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- **University of Connecticut** Storrs, CT, USA  
*Research Assistant - Prof. Jun Yan & HaiYing Wang* April 2020 - Current
  - **Optimal Subsampling of Parametric Accelerate Failure Time (AFT) model for Big Survival Data:**
    - Proved the asymptotic properties of the resultant estimator in the general subsampling approach.
    - Proposed optimal subsampling probabilities based on A-optimality and L-optimality from the optimal design of experiment.
    - Developed the two-step algorithm to get the resultant estimator using the optimal subsampling probabilities.
    - Proved the asymptotic properties for the estimator derived by the two-step algorithm and propose the formula to estimate the variance and covariance matrix.
    - Applied the simulation and the real data analysis based on parametric Weibull AFT model.
  - **Optimal Subsampling of Semi-Parametric Accelerate Failure Time model for Big Survival Data:**
    - Proposed a general estimating function for semi-parametric AFT model based on the least-squares approach .
    - Used resampling method to construct a sandwich estimator for the variance-covariance matrix.
    - Constructed A-optimal subsampling probabilities by the slope matrix that was the 'bread' part of the sandwich estimator.
    - Developed the two-step algorithm and the iterative algorithm to get the resultant estimator using the optimal subsampling probabilities.
    - Compared the computational and estimation efficiency for two algorithms.
    - Applied the simulation based on different error distributions. Finished the real data analysis based on a big lymphoma data.
- **University of Connecticut, Health Center** Farmington, CT, USA  
*Research Assistant - Prof. Helen(Zhao) Wu* Sep 2021 - Current
  - **Impact of Mental Disorder and Drug Addiction on Adult Bio-markers Among Low-income Women after Hurricane Ike:**
    - Cleaned the Hurricane Ike data for 1000 observations.
    - Selected patients who had bio-marker testing results before and after Hurricane Ike.
    - Used an ANOVA model to investigate the influence of age, ethnicity, marital status, employment status and annual income on the changes in biomarkers.
    - Implemented a mixed ANOVA model to detect if patients' bio-markers, such as 'IL6', 'Cortisone', 'DHEAS', changed after experiencing Hurricane Ike for different kinds of drug users and mentally disordered patients.
  - **Multiple Consulting projects for medical researchers and medical doctors:**
    - Applied a logistic regression to analyze the relationship between breast cancer biopsy status and patients' personal information based on breast cancer data in Sudan.

- Analyzed Medication Data for diabetics to evaluate if the CPAP machine helped patients control their A1C score.
- Applied Beta regression models to analyze the National Health Service (NHS) Survey data.

## • University of Connecticut

Storrs, CT, USA

*Independent Teaching Assistant*

*Sep 2021 - Current*

- **STAT 3375Q Introduction to Mathematical Statistics I Teaching Assistant:**  
Lead discussion sessions and hold office hours weekly.
- **STAT 3445 Introduction to Mathematical Statistics II Teaching Assistant:**  
Lead discussion sessions and hold an office hour weekly.
- **STAT 1000Q/1100Q Introduction to Statistics Teaching Assistant:**  
Teaching students how to use Minitab during the discussion and grading their Minitab assignments weekly.

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

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- Membership of American Statistical Association
- Membership of New England Statistical Society

## PRESENTATIONS

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- Optimal Subsampling for Parametric Accelerated Failure Time Models with Massive Survival Data. *2022 Joint Statistical Meetings*, Washington D.C., August 6 - August 11, 2022.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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- The 2022 LiDS Student Paper Award by the American Statistical Association.

## PUBLICATIONS

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- Yang, Z., H. Wang, and J. Yan (2022). Optimal Subsampling for Parametric Accelerated Failure Time Models with Massive Survival Data. *Statistics in Medicine* 41(27), 5421–5431.