JIAKUN LI

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EDUCATION

University of Minnesota Twin Cities • Minneapolis, MN

August 2023 – Current

Ph.D. in Biostatistics • GPA: 4.0/4.0

College of William & Mary • Williamsburg, VA

August 2019 – May 2023

B.S. in Mathematics • GPA: 3.98/4.0 • summa cum laude

PROGRAMMING & TECHNICAL SKILLS

- R, Python, SQL, MATLAB, Wolfram Mathematica, LaTeX, RMarkdown, Shell Script.
- Statistical & Machine Learning Modelling, Optimization Models, Data Science, Database

RESEARCH & WORK EXPERIENCE

$\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{Graduate Research Assistant} - \text{University of Minnesota} \\ \text{Minneapolis, MN} \end{array}$

Aug 2023 - Present

- Conduct methods research on Bayesian Matrix Factorization models to analyze large scale integrated multi-source omics and neuroimaging data.
- Build pipelines to process and analyze integrated MRI imaging data and clinical data for multiple cohorts to identify sensitive, clinical-ready biomarkers for Friedreich's Ataxia patients.
- Perform analysis on UKBiobank GWAS data of up to 500,000 samples and 15,000+ biomolecules to discover causal genes, proteins, and other risk factors for Alzheimer's Disease.
- Specialize in using machine learning methods to analyze and predict multiple integrated data.

Undergraduate Research Assistant – College of William & Mary Williamsburg, VA

Apr 2022 – May 2023

- Use various machine learning methods including dimensionality reduction, clustering, and time series analysis to investigate the bimodality of neural responses of the Honey Bee antennal lobe.
- Code differential equation models and data visualization in MATLAB and Python.

Undergraduate Independent Research – College of William & Mary Williamsburg, VA

Feb 2022 - May 2023

- Use a stage structured matrix model to investigate the effects of density dependence and annual catch distribution on Chesapeake Blue Crab population dynamics.
- Build stochastic agent-based models in R and implement MCMC algorithms to analyze survival data.

Publication

- N. Georgiou-Karistianis, L.A. Corben, E.F. Lock, H. Bujalka, ... J. Li, ..., et al. (2024) Neuroimaging Biomarkers for Friedreich Ataxia: A Cross-Sectional Analysis of TRACK-FA. *The Lancet Neurology* (Submitted)
- J. Li, R. Iaci, M. Patel (2024, in prep) A Novel Classification Method of Neural Response to Mechanosensory Stimuli in the Honey Bee Antennal Lobe.

Presentation & Poster

- J. Li, Density Dependent Matrix-Based Modeling of Blue Crab Callinectes sapidus Population Dynamics in the Chesapeake Bay. 115th Annual Meeting of the NSA (National Shellfisheries Association). Baltimore, MD. March 27th, 2023
- J. Li, A Density-Dependent Stage Structured Population Model of the Chesapeake Blue Crab. W&M Summer 22' Applied Math Research Seminar. William & Mary, July 7th, 2022.

Awards & Honors

- Dean's Ph.D. Scholar's Award
- Phi Beta Kappa
- William & Mary Cissy Patterson Prize
- W&M Summer REU Program Research Fellowship

RELEVENT COURSEWORK

• Statistical Theory I & II , Optimization for Machine Learning, Advanced Regression Analysis, Probability Theory, Mathematical Statistics, Statistical Learning