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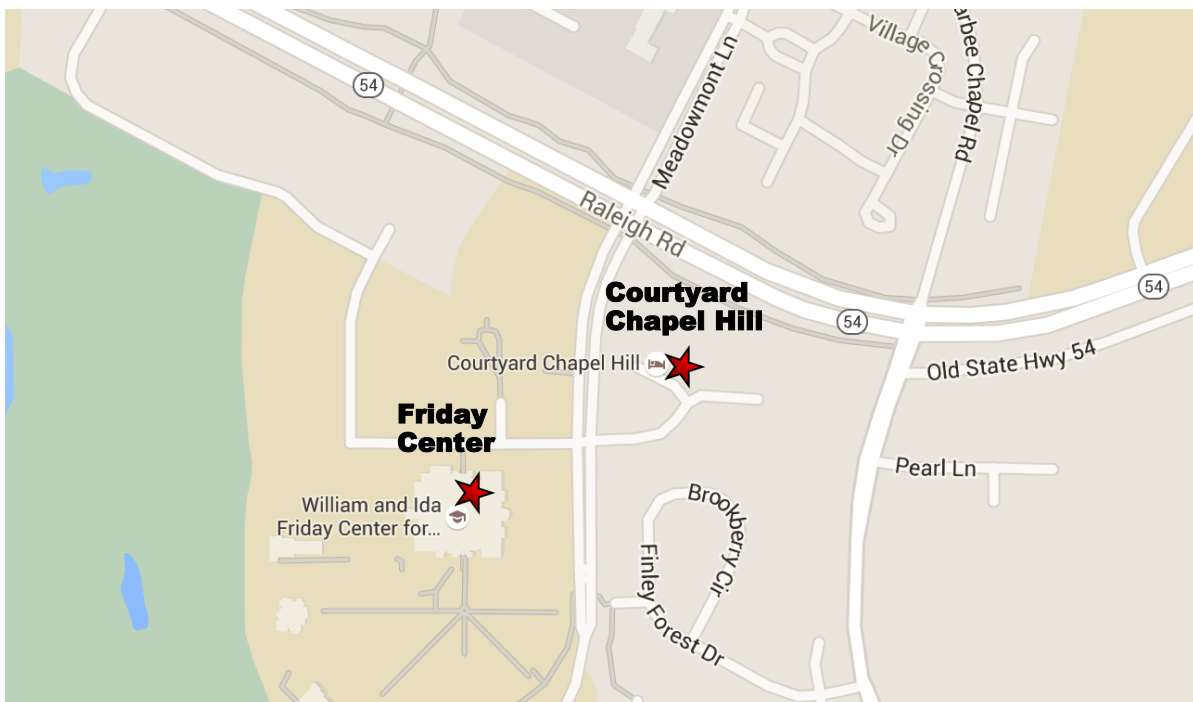


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SCHEDULE

MONDAY, JUNE 6

7:30-8:30am	Registration & Continental Breakfast - Atrium Center
8:30-8:55am Dogwood AB	Welcome Professor Amarjit Budhiraja Chair, Department of Statistics and Operations Research, UNC
9:00-10:30am	Parallel Sessions
Dogwood AB	Theoretical Statistical Learning (organized by Yin Xia, UNC; chaired by Jan Hannig, UNC)
9:00-9:30am	Florentina Bunea (Cornell University) <i>Minimax Optimal Variable Clustering in G-Models</i>
9:30-10:00am	Andrew Nobel (UNC) <i>Large Average Submatrices of a Gaussian Random Matrix: Behavior of Global and Local optima</i>
10:00-10:30am	Kai Zhang (UNC) <i>Packing Inference of Correlation for an Arbitrarily Large Number of Variables</i>
Azalea AB	Distributed Optimization Methods for Machine Learning (organized and chaired by Yan Xu, SAS)
9:00-9:30am	Alireza Yektamaram (Lehigh University and SAS) <i>A Nonconvex Hessian-free Method for Deep Learning Problems</i>
9:30-10:00am	Jorge Silva (SAS) <i>Learning Good Ensembles: New Approaches</i>
10:00-10:30am	Patrick Koch (SAS) <i>Local Search Optimization for Hyper-Parameter Tuning</i>
Mountain Laurel AB	Applied Learning and Analysis (organized and chaired by Cynthia Rudin, MIT)
9:00-9:30am	John Guerard (McKinley Capital Mgt., LLC) <i>Robust Regression and Data Mining of Financial Data</i>
9:30-10:00am	Edward McFowland III (University of Minnesota) <i>Efficient Identification of Heterogeneous Treatment Effects in Randomized Experiments via Anomalous Pattern Detection</i>

10:00-10:30am Stefano Traca (MIT)
Regulating Greed Over Time

Bellflower AB

Network Inference

(organized by Karl Rohe, Univ. Wisconsin Madison; chaired by Bailey Fosdick, Colorado State)

9:00-9:30am Can Le (University of Michigan)
Structure of sparse random networks

9:30-10:00am Daniel Sussman (Harvard University)
Unbiased Estimation of Causal Effects under Network Interference

10:00-10:30am Alexander Volfovsky (Harvard/ Duke)
Testing and estimation for relational data

10:30-11:00am Break - Atrium Center

11:00am-12:00pm **Plenary Talk** (chaired by Richard Smith, SAMSI & UNC)
Dogwood AB Bin Yu, UC Berkeley

12:00-1:30pm **Lunch** - Trillium AB

1:30-3:00pm **Parallel Sessions**

Dogwood AB

New Regularization Techniques

(organized by Ji Zhu, Univ. Michigan; chaired by Annie Qu, UIUC)

1:30-2:00pm Yunzhang Zhu (Ohio State University)
High-dimensional Multivariate Regression

2:00-2:30pm Fang Han (University of Washington)
Optimal Structure-Induced Network Estimation

2:30-3:00pm Qing Mai (Florida State University)
Multiclass Sparse Discriminant Analysis

Azalea AB

Machine Learning on Big Data

(organized and chaired by Matt Taddy, Univ. of Chicago)

1:30-2:00pm Daniel Roy (University of Toronto)
Sparse Random Graphs arising from Exchangeable Random Measures

2:00-2:30pm Rebecca Steorts (Duke University)
Why infinite exchangeable mixture models fail for sparse data sets yet microclustering succeeds

2:30-3:00pm Yichao Wu (NCSU)
Principal Weighted Support Vector Machines for Sufficient Dimension Reduction in Binary Classification

Mountain Laurel AB**High Dimensional Learning Methods and Theory**

(organized by Xiaotong Shen, Univ. of Minnesota; chaired by Wei Sun, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center)

1:30-2:00pm Jan Hannig (UNC)
Generalized fiducial inference for high-dimensional data

2:00-2:30pm Yiyuan She (Florida State University)
Indirect Gaussian Graph Learning beyond Gaussianity

2:30-3:00pm Zhigen Zhao (Temple University)
A new approach to multiple testing of grouped hypotheses

Bellflower AB**New Mining Tools for Complex Data**

(organized by Hao Helen Zhang, U. Arizona; chaired by Xiaoli Gao, UNC-Greensboro)

1:30-2:00pm Ping Ma (University of Georgia)
Smoothing spline ANOVA for super-large samples

2:00-2:30pm Junming Yin (University of Arizona)
Latent Space Inference of Internet-Scale Networks

2:30-3:00pm Boxiang Wang (University of Minnesota)
Another Look at DWD

3:00-3:30pm Break - Atrium Center

3:30-5:00pm **Parallel Sessions**

Dogwood AB**Machine Learning for Imaging and Medical Applications**

(organized and chaired by Donglin Zeng, UNC)

3:30-4:00pm Dinggang Shen (UNC)
Machine Learning in Medical Imaging Analysis

4:00-4:30pm Yuanjia Wang (Columbia University)
Support Vector Hazards Machine: A Counting Process Framework for Learning Risk Scores for Censored Outcomes

4:30-5:00pm Ming Yuan (University of Wisconsin Madison)
Structured Correlation Detection with Application to Colocalization Analysis in Dual-Channel Fluorescence Microscopic Imaging

Azalea AB**High-dimensional Inference**

(organized and chaired by Kai Zhang, UNC)

3:30-4:00pm

Anru Zhang (University of Wisconsin at Madison)

Rate-Optimal Perturbation Bounds for Singular Subspaces with Applications to High-Dimensional Statistics

4:00-4:30pm

Han Liu (Princeton University)

Combinatorial Inference

4:30-5:00pm

Shu Lu (UNC)

*Confidence Regions and Intervals for Sparse Penalized Regression Using Variational Inequality Techniques*Mountain Laurel AB**Topics on High Dimensional Learning and Inference**

(organized and chaired by Genevera Allen, Rice Univ.)

3:30-4:00pm

Johannes Lederer (University of Washington)

Efficient Feature Selection With Big Data

4:00-4:30pm

Weijie Su (Stanford University)

Multiple Testing and Adaptive Estimation via the Sorted L-One Norm

4:30-5:00pm

Stefan Wager (Stanford University)

*Causal Inference with Random Forests*Bellflower AB**Biopharmaceutical Applications**

(organized and chaired by Robert Warnock, UCB Biosciences Inc.)

3:30-4:00pm

Bhargav Reddy (UCB Biosciences Inc.)

Predicting Disease State in Crohn's Patients using Clinical Trial Data

4:00-4:30pm

Holger Frohlich (UCB Biosciences Inc.)

Re-Use of Randomized Clinical Trials Data for Predictive Modeling in Epilepsy and Systemic Lupus Erythematosus

4:30-5:00pm

Scott Clark (Eli Lilly)

Discussion and vision of future developments in pharmaceutical research

TUESDAY, JUNE 7

7:30-8:30am Continental Breakfast - Atrium Center

8:30-10:00am **Parallel Sessions**

Dogwood AB**The Challenges of machine learning methods and computing tools for large-scale data**

(organized by Annie Qu, UIUC; chaired by Yufeng Liu, UNC)

8:30-9:00am Heping Zhang (Yale University)

Inference with unequal knowledge: nuisance penalized regression, conditional distance correlation, and prior LASSO

9:00-9:30am Annie Qu (UIUC)

A Group-Specific Recommender System

9:30-10:00am Yuan Zhang (University of Michigan)

Estimating network edge probabilities by neighborhood smoothing

Azalea AB**Inference and Estimation in Statistical Machine Learning**

(organized and chaired by Han Liu, Princeton)

8:30-9:00am Adel Javanmard (USC)

Online Rules for Control of False Discovery Rate

9:00-9:30am Zhao Ren (University of Pittsburgh)

Robust Covariance/Scatter Matrix Estimation via Matrix Depth

9:30-10:00am Zhaoran Wang (Princeton University)

Probing the Pareto Frontier of Computational-Statistical Tradeoffs

Mountain Laurel AB**Network Analysis and Inference tools**

(organized by Kai Zhang, UNC; chaired by Mu Zhu, Univ. Waterloo)

8:30-9:00am Shankar Bhamidi (UNC)

Change Point Detection in Evolving Network Models

9:00-9:30am Xi Luo (Brown University)

Network Communities and Variable Clustering: A Covariance Matrix Approach

9:30-10:00am Pingshou Zhong (Michigan State University)

Tests for Covariance Structures with High-dimensional Repeated Measurements

Bellflower AB**Discovery of Features and Patterns**

(organized by Cynthia Rudin MIT; chaired by Yiyuan She, Florida State Univ.)

8:30-9:00am

Genevera Allen (Rice University)

Algorithmic Regularization Paths: A New Approach to Variable Selection for High-Dimensional, Highly Correlated Data

9:00-9:30am

Lauren Hannah (Columbia University)

Statistically Summarizing Labeled Text Data

9:30-10:00am

Shawn Mankad (Cornell University)

Single Stage Prediction with Text Data using Dimension Reduction Techniques

10:00-10:30am

Break - Atrium Center

10:30-11:30am

Dogwood AB**Plenary Talk** (chaired by Michael Kosorok, UNC)

Susan A. Murphy, University of Michigan

Assessing Time-Varying Causal Effect Moderation in Intensive Time-Varying Treatment

11:30-1:00pm

Lunch - Trillium AB

1:00-2:30pm

Parallel SessionsDogwood AB**Network and Graphical Models**

(organized by Hernando Ombao, UC Irvine; chaired by Yunzhang Zhu, Ohio State)

1:00-1:30pm

Ali Shojaie (University of Washington)

Network Reconstruction from High Dimensional Ordinary Differential Equations

1:30-2:00pm

Lina Lin (University of Washington)

Estimation of High-dimensional Graphical Models using Regularized Score Matching

2:00-2:30pm

Shuo Chen (University of Maryland)

Network induced large covariance matrix estimation

Azalea AB**Flexible Methods for Genomic data**

(organized by Yufeng Liu, UNC; chaired by Guan Yu, UNC)

1:00-1:30pm

Wei Sun (Fred Hutchinson)

A Two-Step Approach to Estimate the Skeletons of High-Dimensional Directed Acyclic Graphs

1:30-2:00pm	Yuying Xie (Michigan State University) <i>Joint Estimation of Multiple Dependent Gaussian Graphical Models with Applications to Mouse Genomics</i>
2:00-2:30pm	Dongmei Li (University of Rochester) <i>An evaluation of statistical methods for RNA-Seq data analysis</i>

Mountain Laurel AB**Computational Methods in Statistics**

(organized and chaired by Sahand Negahban, Yale Univ.)

1:00-1:30pm	Constantine Caramanis (UT Austin) <i>High-dimensional EM algorithm</i>
1:30-2:00pm	Sahand Negahban (Yale University) <i>Restricted Strong Convexity and Weak Submodularity</i>
2:00-2:30pm	Garvesh Raskutti (University of Wisconsin Madison) <i>High-dimensional Poisson auto-regressive models for dynamic network modeling</i>

Bellflower AB**New developments for analyzing complex data**

(organized and chaired by Xingye Qiao, SUNY Binghamton)

1:00-1:30pm	Xi Chen (NYU) <i>Optimal Stopping and Worker Selection in Crowdsourcing: an Adaptive Sequential Probability Ratio Test Framework</i>
1:30-2:00pm	Jacob Bien (Cornell University) <i>Lag Structured Modeling for High Dimensional Vector Auto-regression</i>
2:00-2:30pm	Ganggang Xu (Binghamton University) <i>A simple averaged post-model-selection confidence interval</i>

2:30-3:00pm Break - Atrium Center3:00-4:30pm **Parallel Sessions**Dogwood AB**Causal Inference**

(organized and chaired by Eric Laber, NCSU)

3:00-3:30pm	Tyler McCormick (University of Washington) <i>Standard errors for exchangeable relational arrays</i>
3:30-4:00pm	Long Nguyen (University of Michigan) <i>Bayesian Nonparametric Multilevel Clustering with Group-Level Contexts</i>
4:00-4:30pm	Cynthia Rudin (MIT) <i>Causal Falling Rule Lists</i>

Azalea AB**Machine Learning for Structured Data**

(organized by Xiaotong Shen, Univ. Minnesota; chaired by Shu Lu, UNC)

- 3:00-3:30pm Shuheng Zhou (University of Michigan)
High-dimensional statistical modeling and estimation with matrix variate data
- 3:30-4:00pm Xingye Qiao (Binghamton University)
Noncrossing Ordinal Classification
- 4:00-4:30pm Cun-Hui Zhang (Rutgers University)
Nonparametric Shrinkage Estimation

Mountain Laurel AB**Inference for regularized estimation in high dimensions**

(organized and chaired by Ali Shojaie, Univ. Washington)

- 3:00-3:30pm Max G'Sell (CMU)
Model selection via sequential goodness-of-fit testing
- 3:30-4:00pm Mladen Kolar (University of Chicago)
Post-Regularization Confidence Bands for High-Dimensional Nonparametric Models with Local Sparsity
- 4:00-4:30pm Sen Zhao (University of Washington)
High-Dimensional Hypothesis Testing with the Lasso

Bellflower AB**New learning tools for complex data and beyond**

(organized by Yufeng Liu, UNC; chaired by David Pritchard UNC)

- 3:00-3:30pm J. Paul Brooks (Virginia Commonwealth University)
Estimating L1-Norm Best-Fit Lines
- 3:30-4:00pm Chengyong Tang (Temple University)
Precision Matrix Estimation by Inverse Principal Orthogonal Decomposition
- 4:00-4:30pm Mu Zhu (University of Waterloo)
Networks, Small G Proteins, and Basketball Games

4:30-6:30pm **Poster Session - Atrium Center**

6:30-8:30pm **Banquet - Trillium AB**
 Speaker: J.S. Marron (UNC)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8

7:30-8:30am	Continental Breakfast - <u>Atrium Center</u>
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8:30-10:00am	Parallel Sessions
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Dogwood AB**Machine learning for precision medicine**

(organized by Yufeng Liu, UNC; chaired by Chengyong Tang, Temple Univ.)

8:30-9:00am

Donglin Zeng (UNC)

Estimating Personalized Diagnostic Rules via Weighted Support Vector Machines

9:00-9:30am

Yingqi Zhao (Fred Hutchinson)

Develop Parsimonious and Robust Treatment Strategies for Target Populations

9:30-10:00am

Haoda Fu (Eli Lilly)

*Personalized Medicine, Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence: Challenges and Opportunities*Azalea AB**New developments on sufficient dimension reduction and envelope estimation**

(organized and chaired by Yichao Wu, NCSU)

8:30-9:00am

Andreas Artemiou (Cardiff University)

Robustifying sufficient dimension reduction against inliers and outliers

9:00-9:30am

Zhihua Su (University of Florida)

Groupwise Envelope Models for Imaging Genetic Analysis

9:30-10:00am

Xin Zhang (Florida State University)

*Some Recent Advances in Envelope Methodology*Mountain Laurel AB**New Sparse Methods for Regression and Classification**

(organized by Hao Helen Zhang; University of Arizona; chaired by Zhigen Zhao, Temple Univ.)

8:30-9:00am

Ning Hao (University of Arizona)

A rotate-and-solve procedure for high dimensional classification

9:00-9:30am

Gen Li (Columbia University)

Supervised Integrative Principal Component Analysis

9:30-10:00am

Sijian Wang (University of Wisconsin Madison)

Sparse additive index model for group variable selection

10:00-10:30am Break - Atrium Center

10:30-11:30am **Plenary Talk** (chaired by Eric Laber, NCSU)
Dogwood AB Michael R. Kosorok, UNC
The Evolution of Data Science and Statistics

11:30-1:00pm **Lunch** - Trillium AB

1:00-2:30pm **Parallel Sessions**

Dogwood AB **Data Integration and Meta Analysis**
 (organized and chaired by Quefeng Li, UNC)
 1:00-1:30pm Haitao Chu (University of Minnesota)
Bayesian Hierarchical Models for Multiple Diagnostic Tests Meta-analysis
 1:30-2:00pm Shuangge Ma (Yale University)
Integrating multidimensional omics data for cancer prognosis
 2:00-2:30pm Chi Song (Ohio State University)
A Bayesian Method for Transcriptomic Meta-analysis – Exploring the Homogeneity and Heterogeneity

Azalea AB **Flexible Learning Tools and Applications**
 (organized and chaired by Yuying Xie, MSU)
 1:00-1:30pm Wei Sun (Yahoo)
Provable Sparse Tensor Decomposition and Its Application to Personalized Recommendation
 1:30-2:00pm Peng Wang (University of Cincinnati)
Selection by Partitioning the Solution Paths
 2:00-2:30pm Tian Zheng (Columbia University)
Topic-adjusted visibility metric for scientific articles

Mountain Laurel AB **New Sparse Learning Techniques**
 (organized by Yin Xia, UNC; chaired by Jingxiang Chen UNC)
 1:00-1:30pm Botao Hao (Purdue University)
Simultaneous Clustering and Estimation of Multiple Graphical Models
 1:30-2:00pm Aaron Molstad (University of Minnesota)
Indirect multivariate response linear regression

2:00-2:30pm Xue Wang (Penn. State University)
Folded Concave Penalized Nonconvex Learning via a Modern Optimization Lens

2:30-3:00pm Break - Atrium Center

3:00-4:30pm **Parallel Sessions**

Dogwood AB **Data Science and Networks: Methodology and Applications**
 (organized and chaired by Shankar Bhamidi, UNC)

3:00-3:30pm Bailey Fosdick (Colorado State University)
Multiresolution models for networks

3:30-4:00pm Anand Vidhyashankar (George Mason University)
Implicit Networks in High Dimensional Problems

4:00-4:30pm James Wilson (University of San Francisco)
A Significance-based Community Extraction Method for Multi-layer Networks

Azalea AB **Industrial Applications**

(organized by Cynthia Rudin, MIT; chaired by J. Paul Brooks, Virginia Commonwealth Univ.)

3:00-3:30pm Veena Mendiratta (Bell Labs, Nokia)
Anomaly Detection in Wireless Networks using Mobile Phone Data

3:30-4:00pm Matthew Lanham (Virginia Tech)
A Framework for Combining Statistical & Business KPIs for Low-Turn Product Forecasts

4:00-4:30pm C. Bayan Bruss (Accenture)
When the Well Runs Dry: Predicting Observed GRACE Satellite Groundwater Storage Trends Using Data in 81 Countries

Mountain Laurel AB **Modern Statistical Learning Methods for Big Data**

(organized by Yingying Fan USC; chaired by Siliang Gong UNC)

3:00-3:30pm Will Fithian (UC Berkeley)
Local Case-Control Sampling: Efficient subsampling in imbalanced data sets

3:30-4:00pm Kun Chen (University of Connecticut)
Sequential Estimation in Sparse Factor Regression

4:00-4:30pm Yuekai Sun (UC Berkeley)
Feature distributed sparse regression

Poster Information

June 07, 4:30-6:30pm

1. Anthony S. Abrantes (UNC)
Classifying EEG data for working memory load
2. Xuan Bi (UIUC)
A Group-Specific Recommender System
3. Kelly Bodwin (UNC)
Coherent Itemset Mining
4. Frederick Campbell (Rice University)
Within Group Variable Selection through the Exclusive Lasso
5. Jingxiang Chen (UNC)
Estimating Individualized Treatment Rules for Ordinal Treatments
6. Glen Colopy (University of Oxford)
Personalized Patient Monitoring with Gaussian Processes using Fast Adaptive Kernel Selection
7. Derek Feng (Yale University)
ABtree: An Algorithm for Subgroup-Based Treatment Assignment
8. Siliang Gong (UNC)
Efficient Testing-based Variable Selection for High-dimensional Linear Models
9. Nhat Ho (University of Michigan)
Singularity Structures and Parameter Estimation in Finite Mixtures of Skew Normal Distributions
10. Wenhao Hu (NCSU)
Assessing Tuning Parameter Selection Variability in Penalized Regression
11. Meilei Jiang (UNC)
A Novel Method for Identifying Community Subtypes in the Sparse Microbiome of the Infected Lower Lung
12. Qunqun Yu (UNC)
JIVE integration of imaging and behavioral data
13. Vered Madar (SAMSI)
New and Simpler Algebraic Framework for Generating Correlated Random Variables
14. Christian Mueller (Simons Foundation)
Generalized Stability Approach for Regularized Graphical Models
15. John Palowitch (UNC)
The Continuous Configuration Model: A Null for Community Detection on Weighted Networks
16. So-Young Park (NCSU)
Functional data analysis for quantile regression modeling, with application to feed intake of lactating sows

17. David Pritchard (UNC)
Composite Quantile-based Classifiers
18. Mauricio Sadinle Garcia-Ruiz (Duke and NISS)
Set-Valued Multiclass Classifiers: Lowest Ambiguity with Bounded Error Levels
19. Andrey Skripnikov (University of Florida)
Estimation of Multi-Granger Network Causal Models
20. Samuel Ventura (CMU)
PREDS: Prediction with Ensembles using Distribution Summaries
21. Kristopher Williams (University of Texas at San Antonio)
Unsupervised Outlier Detection Using Robust Locally Weighted Density Estimation
22. Zidian Xie (University of Rochester)
Building a Predictive Model for Type 2 Diabetes Using Machine Learning
23. Guan Yu (UNC)
Sparse Regression for Block-missing Multi-modality Data
24. Zheqi Zhang (UNC)
Efficient Gauss-Newton-type Algorithms for Low-Rank Matrix Optimization
25. Yi Zhao (Brown University)
Pathway Lasso: Estimate and Select Sparse Mediation Pathways with High Dimensional Mediators
26. Hyowon An (UNC)
Gaussian Centered L-moments

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