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## **Experience**

#### Department of Biostatistics, University of Michigan

Ann Arbor

Postdoc Researcher

2023 –

#### **Education**

#### Renmin University of China

**Beijing** 

PhD in Statistics

2018 - 2023

Dissertation: "Distributed Statistical Algorithms for Nonsmooth Problems: Theories and Applications"

#### **Beijing Normal University**

Beijing

BSc in Mathematics and Applied Mathematics

2014 - 2018

#### **Research Interests**

O Distributed statistical computing; High-dimensional data analysis; Non-Linear dependence measure

#### **Publications**

#### Journal Articles.....

- \* indicates equal contributions
- † indicates corresponding author(s) (if not the senior author)

boldface indicates me

- [1] W. Hao, **C. Chen**, and P. X.-K. Song<sup>†</sup>. "A Class of Directed Acyclic Graphs with Mixed Data Types in Mediation Analysis". In: *Canadian Journal of Statistics* (2025). accepted.
- [2] N. Qiao\*, **C. Chen**\*†, and Z. Zhu\*. "Robust and Efficient Sparse Learning over Networks: A Decentralized Surrogate Composite Quantile Regression Approach". In: *Statistics and Computing* 35.1 (Jan. 2025), p. 24.
- [3] B. Chen and **C. Chen**<sup>†</sup>. "Convoluted Support Matrix Machine in High Dimensions". In: Statistica Sinica (2024). DOI: 10.5705/ss.202024.0194.
- [4] **C. Chen**<sup>†</sup>. "Scalable and Globally Convergent Algorithm for Sufficient Dimension Reduction". In: *Statistics and Its Interface* 17.3 (July 2024), pp. 479–491.
- [5] **C. Chen**\*, B. Chen\*, L. Kong, and L. Zhu<sup>†</sup>. "Robust Multi-Task Learning in High Dimensions under Memory Constraint". In: *Statistical Analysis and Data Mining* 17 (3 2024), e11700. DOI: 10.1002/sam.11700.

- [6] C. Chen and Z. Zhu<sup>†</sup>. "Byzantine-Robust and Efficient Distributed Sparsity Learning: A Surrogate Composite Quantile Regression Approach". In: Statistics and Computing 34.5 (Oct. 2024), p. 158.
- [7] Y. He, **C. Chen**, and W. Xu<sup>†</sup>. "Debiased Distributed Quantile Regression in High Dimensions". In: *Statistics and Its Interface* 17.3 (2024), pp. 337–347.
- [8] N. Qiao and C. Chen<sup>†</sup>. "Fast and Robust Low-Rank Learning over Networks: A Decentralized Matrix Quantile Regression Approach". In: *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics* 33.4 (Oct. 2024), pp. 1214–1223.
- [9] B. Chen and **C. Chen**. "Fast Optimization Methods for High-Dimensional Row-Sparse Multivariate Quantile Linear Regression". In: *Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation* 94.1 (July 2023), pp. 69–102.
- [10] **C. Chen**\*, Y. Gu\*, H. Zou\*, and L. Zhu\*†. "Distributed Sparse Composite Quantile Regression in Ultrahigh Dimensions". In: *Statistica Sinica* 33 (2023). DOI: 10.5705/ss.202022.0095.
- [11] C. Chen, W. Xu, and L. Zhu. "Distributed Estimation in Heterogeneous Reduced Rank Regression: With Application to Order Determination in Sufficient Dimension Reduction". In: *Journal of Multivariate Analysis* 190 (July 2022), p. 104991. DOI: 10.1016/j.jmva.2022. 104991.
- [12] **C. Chen** and L. Zhu<sup>†</sup>. "Distributed Decoding from Heterogeneous 1-Bit Compressive Measurements". In: *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics* 32.3 (Aug. 2022), pp. 884–894. DOI: 10.1080/10618600.2022.2118751.
- [13] Y. Zhang, C. Chen, and L. Zhu. "Sliced Independence Test". In: *Statistica Sinica* 32 (2022). DOI: 10.5705/ss.202021.0203.
- [14] P. Song, C. Chen, Y. Lou, H. Jiang, W. Li, and L. Zhu. "Assessing Effectiveness of Integrated Strategies for Preventing and Controlling the Outbreak of COVID-19 and Predicting Impact of Opening Exit Channels to Leave Hubei Province". In: *Chinese Journal of Applied Probability and Statistics* 36.3 (June 2020), pp. 321–330. DOI: 10.3969/j.issn.1001-4268.2020.03.007.

#### Preprints

- [15] **C. Chen**, R. Kundu, W. Hao, and P. X.-K. Song. "Copula Structural Equation Models for Mediation Pathway Analysis". 2025.
- [16] **C. Chen**\*, N. Qiao\*, and L. Zhu\*†. "Efficient Distributed Learning over Decentralized Networks with Convoluted Support Vector Machine". Mar. 2025. arXiv: 2503.07563 [stat].
- [17] C. Chen, L. Zhou, and P. X.-K. Song. "Splitting Method for Testing Mediation Pathways". 2025.
- [18] R. Kundu\*, **C. Chen**\*, and P. X.-K. Song†. "Statistical Inference for Causally Ordered Multiple Mediation Analysis". 2025.
- [19] B. Chen and **C. Chen**<sup>†</sup>. "A Unified and Efficient Algorithm for Penalized Convoluted Support Vector Machines". submitted. 2024.
- [20] **C. Chen**, Y. He, H. J. Wang, G. Xu, and P. X.-K. Song<sup>†</sup>. "Quantile Mediation Analytics". submitted. Dec. 2024. arXiv: 2412.15401 [stat].

- [21] **C. Chen**\*, Z. Zhu\*, and L. Zhu\*†. "Robust and Efficient Decoding from Heterogeneous 1-Bit Compressive Measurements over Networks". major revision at Statistica Sinica. 2024.
- [22] C. He\*, **C. Chen**\*, and L. Zhu†. "A Goodness-of-fit Assessment for General Learning Procedure in High Dimensions". major revision at JASA. 2024.
- [23] M. Al-Hinai, **C. Chen**, E. C. Jansen, K. E. Peterson, P. X.-K. Song, and A. Baylin. "Vitamin D is Associated with Sleep Disturbance and Cognitive Function in Older Adults". 2024.
- [24] N. Qiao, W. Li, J. Zhang, and **C. Chen**<sup>†</sup>. "Scalable and Distributed Individualized Treatment Rules for Massive Datasets". major revision at Biometrics. 2024.
- [25] **C. Chen** and L. Zhu<sup>†</sup>. "Distributed Estimation and Gap-Free Analysis of Canonical Correlations". submitted. Dec. 2023. arXiv: 2412.17792 [stat].

## **Open-Source Software**

Natural Language Processing - PhD Level

- O SIT: ASSOCIATION MEASUREMENT THROUGH SLICED INDEPENDENCE TEST. [Link]
- o abima: Adaptive Bootstrap Inference for Mediation Analysis with Enhanced Statistical Power. [Link]

## **Grant Proposals**

Renmin University of China	
Canonical Correlation Analysis of Functional Data	2020
National Students' Innovation and Entrepreneurship Training Program Asymptotics of the Derrida–Retaux Branch System	2016
Fellowships, Honors, and Awards	
Excellent Doctoral Dissertation Award of Renmin University of China	2024
UMPDA Conference Award	2024
National Scholarship of China	2023
Outstanding Graduate of Renmin University of China	2023
Wu Yuzhang Scholarship Finalist	2023
Jingdong Special Scholarship Finalist	2022
The best presented poster	2020
Distributed Decoding from Heterogeneous 1-Bit Compressive Measurements, State Science Young Scholars Forum, Beijing. [pdf]	tistics and Data
National Second Prize in National Undergraduate Mathematical Modeling Contest	2016
Volunteer Experience	
Teaching Assistant.	
Computer Skills in Data Science – PhD Level	Fall 2019
Asymptotic Statistics - PhD Level	Fall 2020

Spring 2021

#### **Anonymous Referee.**.

- Statistica Sinica (22, 23)
- IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems (23, 24, 25)
- Statistics and Computing (24, 25)
- Annals of Applied Statistics (24)
- o SCIENCE CHINA Mathematics (24)
- Acta Mathematica Scientia (24)
- The American Statistician (24)
- Applied Mathematics and Computation (24)
- O Science Asia (25)
- O Journal of the American Statistical Association (25)
- Mathematics (25)

## **Seminars & Presentations**

- Graduate Student Seminar, Department of Statistics, George Washington University, Washington, D.C., October 18, 2024 (invited speaker)
- o ICSA Applied Statistics Symposium, Nashville, Tennessee, June 16 19, 2024 (invited speaker)
- The 7th International Conference on Statistical Optimization and Learning, Beijing Jiaotong University, Beijing, China, December 2022 (invited speaker)
- Data Science Frontiers Forum, Southwestern University of Finance and Economics, Chengdu, China, July 2021 (invited speaker)

### **Skills**

- O Programming languages: Python, R, C++, Bash, LATEX, MATLAB, SQL
- O Languages: Chinese, English, Eastern Min