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Charles Margossian

Education

2017-present Ph.D. Statistics, Columbia University, New York, NY.

Advisor: Andrew Gelman

2011–2015 B.Sci. Physics (intensive track), Yale University, New Haven, CT.

2009–2011 **Baccalauréat Scientifique**, Ecole Jeannine Manuel (High school), Paris, France, Mention très bien.

Experience

Summer Research Intern, Google, Bayesflow team, New York, NY.

2021

Summer Visiting Doctoral Student, Aalto University, Department of Computer Science,

2019 Probabilistic Machine Learning group, Espoo, Finland.

2016-present Core Developer, Stan Development Team.

2016–2017 Visiting Scientist, Metrum Research Group LLC, Cambridge, MA.

2015–2016 Pharmacometrics Bootcamp, Metrum Research Group LLC, Tariffville, CT.

2013–2015 Researcher, Yale Department of Astronomy, New Haven, CT.

Summer Patent Law, Technical Specialist, Leinweber und Zimmermann, Munich,

2014 Germany.

Awards

2017 Dean's Fellowship, Columbia Department of Statistics.

2010 Yale Book Award.

Academic service

2020 Reviewer, Neural information processing systems (NeurIPS).

2019 **Reviewer**, Journal of pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics.

2019 - 2020 Student representative, PhD program in statistics at Columbia University.

Skills

Programming: R, C++, Stan, LAT_EX, GitHub, Python

Languages: English, French, German

Preprints

- [1] Léo Grinsztajn, Elizaveta Semenova, Charles C Margossian, and Julien Riou. Bayesian workflow for disease transmission modeling in Stan. arXiv:2006.02985, February 2021.
- [2] Andrew Gelman, Aki Vehtari, Daniel Simpson, Charles C Margossian, Bob Carpenter, Yuling Yao, Lauren Kennedy, Jonah Gabry, Paul-Christian Bürkner, and Martin Modrák. Bayesian Workflow. arXiv:2011.01808, October 2020.
- [3] Michael Betancourt, Charles C Margossian, and Vianey Leos-Barajas. The Discrete Adjoint Method: Efficient Derivatives for Functions of Discrete Sequences. arXiv:2002.00326, February 2020.

Publications

- [1] Charles C Margossian, Aki Vehtari, Daniel Simpson, and Raj Agrawal. Hamiltonian Monte Carlo using an adjoint-differentiated Laplace approximation: Bayesian inference for latent Gaussian models and beyond. *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, 33:to appear, October 2020.
- [2] Charles C Margossian, Aki Vehtari, Daniel Simpson, and Raj Agrawal. Approximate Bayesian inference for latent Gaussian models in Stan. In *StanCon 2020*, August 2020.
- [3] Anthony Hauser, Michel J Counotte, Charles C Margossian, Garyfallos Konstantinoudis, Nicola Low, Christian L Althaus, and Julien Riou. Estimation of SARS-CoV-2 mortality during the early stages of an epidemic: a modeling study in Hubei, China and six regions in Europe. *PLOS Medicine*, 17, July 2020.
- [4] Charles C Margossian. A Review of automatic differentiation and its efficient implementation. Wiley interdisciplinary reviews: data mining and knowledge discovery, 9, March 2019.
- [5] Charles C Margossian. Computing Steady States with Stan's Nonlinear Algebraic Solver. In *StanCon 2018*, January 2018.
- [6] Charles C Margossian and William R Gillespie. Gaining Efficiency by Combining Analytical and Numerical Methods to Solve ODEs: Implementation in Stan and Application to Bayesian PK/PD. Journal of Pharmacokinetics and Pharmacodynamics, 44, October 2017.
- [7] Charles C Margossian and William R Gillespie. Differential Equation Based Models in Stan. In *StanCon 2017*, January 2017.

- [8] Charles C Margossian and William R Gillespie. Stan Functions for Pharmacometrics Modeling. *Journal of Pharmacokinetics and Pharmacodynamics*, 43, October 2016.
- [9] Joseph R Schmitt, Eric Agol, Katherine M Deck, Leslie A Rogers, J Zachary Gazak, Debra A Fischer, Ji Wang, Matthew J Holman, Kian J Jek, Charles Margossian, Mark R Omohundor, Troy Winarski, John M Brewer, Matthew J Giguere, Chris Lintott, Stuart Lynn, Michael Parrish, Kevin Schawinski, Megan E Schwamb, Robert Simpson, and Arfon M Smith. Planet Hunters. VII. Discovery of a new low-mass, low-density planet (PH3 C) orbiting KEPLER-289 with mass measurements of two additional Planets (PH3 B and D). Astrophysical Journal, 795(2), October 2014.

Softwares

- [1] Stan Development Team. Stan: A Probabilistic Programing Language. mc-stan.org.
- [2] Charles C Margossian, William R Gillespie, and Yi Zhang. *Torsten: A Bayesian Pharmacometrics Model Library for Stan*. Metrum Research Group, https://github.com/metrumrg/example-models.
- [3] Kyle T Baron, Alan C Hindmarsh, Linda R Petzold, William R Gillespie, Charles C Margossian, and Devin Pastoor. mrgsolve: Simulation from ODE-Based Population PK/PD and System Pharmacology Models. Metrum Research Group, https://mrgsolve.github.io/.

Teaching experience (selected)

- March 2020, **Instructor**, Building, fitting, and criticizing Bayesian PK/PD models, (one day March 2019 workshop), University of Buffalo, School of Pharmacy, Buffalo, NY.
- Feb 2020, **Instructor**, Stan for the people: two days introductory workshop on Bayesian January 2019 modeling, McGill University, Montreal, Canada.
- August 2019 Co-instructor, Population and ODE-based models using Stan and Torsten, (two days workshop), Stan Conference 2019, Cambridge, UK.
- January 2018 **Instructor**, How to Develop for the Stan C++ Core Language, Stan Conference 2018, Pacific Grove, CA.
 - April 2017 **Invited Lecturer**, Introduction to Bayesian Data Analysis with Stan, Harvard University, STAT 220: Bayesian Statistics, Cambridge, MA.
 - Fall 2020 Teacher Assistant, Foundation of Graphical Models, STAT 6701 (PhD level), Columbia University, New York, NY.

- September **Teacher Assistant**, Stan for Physics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2017 Cambridge, MA.
- June 2017 **Teacher Assistant**, Getting Started with Bayesian PKPD Modeling using Stan and Torsten, Population Approach Group in Europe 26, Budapest, Hungary.

Presentations (selected)

- March 2021 Bayesian inference for latent Gaussian models: MCMC, approximate methods, and hybrids, Minghui Yu memorial conference, Columbia University.
 - November Developing a Bayesian modeling workflow for population PBPK, Amer-2020 ican Conference on Pharmacomertrics, virtual.
- August 2020 Approximate Bayesian inference for latent Gaussian models in Stan, Stan Conference 2020, virtual.
 - June 2020 **Developing a Bayesian workflow to model the Covid-19 outbreak**, 12th Covid-19 symposium, Columbia University, New York, NY.
 - July 2018 Understanding automatic differentiation to improve performance, Stan for Pharmacometrics Day 2018, Université Paris Diderot, School of Medicine, Paris, France.
 - November **Differential equations based models in Stan**, Stan Meetup in Boston, 2016 Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.
 - February Practice (and malpractices!) of Bayesian analysis, Metrum Journal Minute, 2016 Tariffville, CT.
- March 2015 How stars and planets Interact: testing the effects of close-in giant planets on stellar magnetic activity, Davenport Mellon Forum, Yale University, New Haven, CT.

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