

# Chase Joyner

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## Education

- Ph.D. in Mathematical Sciences (Statistics) (4.0/4.0) May 2016 – Present  
Clemson University, Clemson, SC
- M.S. in Mathematical Sciences (Statistics) (4.0/4.0) Aug 2014 – May 2016  
Clemson University, Clemson, SC
- B.S. in Mathematical Sciences (Statistics) (3.89/4.0) Aug 2010 – 2014  
Clemson University, Clemson, SC

## Research Experience: Clemson University

- Research Assistant sponsored by National Institute of Health Jan 2017 – Present
  - Developed a Bayesian mixed effects model with variable selection to analyze data from any group testing algorithm while accounting for imperfect testing.
  - Analyzed a chlamydia data set out of Iowa's state hygienic laboratory.
  - Techniques used: Generalized linear models, spike and slab priors.
- Research Assistant sponsored by Biorealm, Principal Investigator Jan 2016 – Dec 2016
  - Analyzed rice data provided from fields in Indonesia to develop a mixed effects model accounting for complex genetic similarity.
  - Modeled rice production and resistance to climate change in Indonesia.
  - Simulated data in R using Clemson's cluster to validate the model.
  - Techniques used: Expectation-Maximization algorithm, generalized linear models, and mixed effects models.
- Master's Thesis Aug 2014 – May 2016
  - Developed univariate and multivariate Bayesian models to estimate the optimal biomarker density threshold in pooled testing of individuals for various diseases.
  - Implemented algorithms in R to estimate the parameters of these Bayesian models.
  - Techniques used: Gibbs sampling, Metropolis-Hastings, and Bayesian iteratively reweighted least squares.
- Undergraduate Thesis Aug 2013 – Aug 2014
  - Analyzed Bayesian techniques and Markov chain Monte Carlo methods for inference.
  - Documented the implementation of these methods and ran simulations.

## Research Presentations

- A mixed effects model for group testing data with variable selection.  
*ENAR Spring Meeting, Atlanta, GA* (Mar 2018).
- Assessing the relationship between SNPs and yield in various rice varieties.  
*Jakarta, Indonesia* (Nov 2016).
- Bayesian approach of biomarker density estimation using pooled data.  
*Clemson University* (Feb 2016).

## Publications

- Joyner, C., McMahan, C., Tebbs, J., and Bilder, C. (2018+). From mixed effects modeling to spike and slab variable selection: A Bayesian regression model for group testing data. In preparation.
- McMahan, C., Baurley, J., Bridges, W., Joyner, C., Fitra Kacamarga, M., Lund, R., Pardamean, C., and Pardamean, B. (2017). A Bayesian hierarchical model for identifying significant polygenic effects while controlling for confounding and repeated measures. *Statistical Applications in Genetics and Molecular Biology*. 16, 407-419.

## Teaching Experience

- BINUS University, Department of Mathematical Statistics, Jakarta, Indonesia May 2018
  - Introduction to statistics and R
- Clemson University, Department of Mathematical Sciences, Clemson, SC
  - MATH 1070: Differential and Integral Calculus Spring 2017
  - MATH 1040: Precalculus and Introductory Differential Calculus Fall 2016
  - MATH 1020: Introduction to Mathematical Analysis Fall 2015

## Professional Memberships

- American Mathematical Society (AMS)

## References

- Christopher McMahan, Clemson University. Contact: [mcmaha2@g.clemson.edu](mailto:mcmaha2@g.clemson.edu).
- Andrew Brown, Clemson University. Contact: [ab7@g.clemson.edu](mailto:ab7@g.clemson.edu).