

Clayton Seitz

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PERSONAL STATEMENT

I specialize in the application of probabilistic models, particularly deep generative models, biological discovery and computer vision. I have primarily applied these frameworks to advancing super-resolution fluorescence microscopy of so-called nucleosome nanodomains, and have published on this topic in high-impact scientific journals.

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy, Physics

Indiana University, Indianapolis, IN

Thesis: *Advancing super-resolution microscopy for quantitative in-vivo imaging of chromatin nanodomains*

Master of Science, Biophysics

University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, 2021

Thesis: *Stable cell assembly formation in excitatory-inhibitory neural networks*

Bachelor of Science, Physics, Magna cum laude

Indiana University, Indianapolis, IN, 2019

Minor: Mathematics

Bachelor of Science, Informatics, Magna cum laude

Luddy School of Informatics, Computing, and Engineering, Indiana University Bloomington, 2019

Concentration: Mathematics

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant

2022-Present

Indiana University, Indianapolis, IN

- Design deep generative models for enhancing super-resolution fluorescence microscopy
- Implement direct stochastic optical reconstruction microscopy (dSTORM) for super-resolution imaging of chromatin in living cell nuclei
- Investigate the impact of mutations in epigenetic proteins on chromatin structure in living cell nuclei experimentally and complement experimental data with molecular dynamics simulations

Graduate Trainee

2020-2022

University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

- Utilize fluorescence microscopy to measure temporal dynamics of calcium concentration in single cells
- Generate Monte Carlo simulations of spiking neural networks to relate network architecture to spiking dynamics

Undergraduate Research Assistant

2019-2020

Indiana University, Indianapolis, IN

- Develop an image processing package in Python for processing large volumes of images generated by fluorescence microscopy

- Utilize time-correlated single photon counting (TCSPC) to characterize the sub-Poissonian emission of organic quantum dots dispersed in a thin film of poly-methyl methacrylate (PMMA)

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| AWARDS | NIH Graduate Training Fellowship University of Chicago, Chicago, IL | 2020 |
| | Travel Award and Lightning Talk Invitation Physical Sciences in Oncology - Minneapolis, MN | 2019 |
| | Hudson and Holland Scholarship for Diversity and Inclusion Indiana University, Bloomington, IN | 2013-2017 |
| | Founders Scholar Indiana University, Bloomington, IN | 2013-2017 |
| | Cigital Scholarship Indiana University, Bloomington, IN | 2016-2017 |

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| PUBLICATIONS | Clayton Seitz [†] , Donghong Fu [†] , Mengyuan Liu, Hailan Ma, and Jing Liu. <i>BRD4 phosphorylation regulates the structure of chromatin nanodomains</i> . In Review. 2024 | |
| | Clayton Seitz and Jing Liu. <i>Uncertainty-aware localization microscopy by variational diffusion</i> . In Review. 2024 | |
| | Maele Locatelli [†] , Josh Lawrimore [†] , Hua Lin [†] , Sarvath Sanaullah, Clayton Seitz, Dave Segall, Paul Kefer, Salvador Moreno Naike, Benton Lietz, Rebecca Anderson, Julia Holmes, Chongli Yuan, George Holzwarth, Bloom Kerry, Jing Liu, Keith D Bonin, Pierre-Alexandre Vidi. <i>DNA damage reduces heterogeneity and coherence of chromatin motions</i> . PNAS 12 July 2022; 119 (29): 1-11 | |
| | Mengdi Zhang, Clayton Seitz, Garrick Chang, Fadil Iqbal, Hua Lin, and Jing Liu. <i>A guide for single-particle chromatin tracking in live cell nuclei</i> . Cell Biology International 15 January 2022; 46 (5): 683-700 | |
| | Wenting Wu, Farooq Syed, Edward Simpson, Chih-Chun Lee, Jing Liu, Garrick Chang, Chuanpeng Dong, Clayton Seitz, Decio L. Eizirik, Raghavendra G. Mir-mira, Yunlong Liu, Carmella Evans-Molina; <i>Impact of Proinflammatory Cytokines on Alternative Splicing Patterns in Human Islets</i> . Diabetes 25 October 2021; 71 (1): 116-127 | |
| | Clayton Seitz, Hailan Ma, and Jing Liu. <i>Bayesian analysis of GBP5 transcriptional bursts</i> . Biophysical Society Annual Conference 2022 | |
| | Clayton Seitz, Hua Lin, Keith Bonin, Pierre-Alexandre Vidi, and Jing Liu. <i>Quantifying the spatiotemporal dynamics of dUTP labeled chromatin during the DNA damage response</i> . Biophysical Society Annual Conference 2020 | |

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| TECHNICAL SKILLS | Programming Languages & Software: Python, R, PyTorch, C/C++, Git, LaTeX, Bash, HPCs/SLURM |
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