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## EDUCATION

- Ph.D.** Statistics, University of Missouri - Columbia, 2020  
Dissertation: *Regression Analysis of Complex Longitudinal Data*  
Supervisor: Dr. Jianguo (Tony) Sun
- M.A.** Statistics, University of Missouri - Columbia, 2019
- M.Phil.** Statistics, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, 2016  
Supervisors: Dr. Xingqiu Zhao and Dr. Zhisheng Ye
- B.S.** *First Class Honours*, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, 2013

## APPOINTMENTS

- 2023/06- **Assistant Professor (tenure-track)**  
Department of Biostatistics and Health Data Science,  
School of Medicine, Indiana University
- 2020–23 **Postdoctoral Fellow**  
Department of Biostatistics and Bioinformatics,  
Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University  
Supervisors: Dr. Limin Peng, Dr. Ying Guo, and Dr. Amita Manatunga
- 2017 **Research Assistant**  
School of Journalism  
University of Missouri and Chinese University of Hong Kong
- 2014 **Visiting Research Engineer**  
Department of Industrial and Systems Engineer  
The National University of Singapore

## PUBLICATIONS

\* indicates equal contributions; † indicates corresponding author(s)

### Statistical Methodology

- [1] **Sun, D.**, Guo, Y., Peng, L., and Manatunga, A. “Partial categorical tensor regression,” In preparation.
- [2] **Sun, D.**, Sun, Z., Zhao, X., and Cao, H. “Kernel meets sieve: transformed hazards models with asynchronous longitudinal covariates,” Submitted to *the Annals of Statistics*.
- [3] **Sun, D.**, Guo, Y., Li, Y., Sun, J., and Tu, W. “A flexible time-varying coefficient rate model for panel count data,” Under review at *Biometrics*.
- [4] **Sun, D.**, Qiu, Z., Peng, L., Guo, Y., and Manatunga, A. “Partial quantile tensor regression,” Submitted to *the Annals of Statistics*.

- [5] Sun, R., **Sun, D.**, Zhu, L., and Sun, J. “Regression analysis of general mixed recurrent event data,” Under review at *Lifetime Data Analysis*.
- [6] **Sun, D.**, Guo, Y., Li, Y., Tu, W., and Sun, J. “A new robust approach for regression analysis of panel count data with time-varying covariates,” Major Revision at *Bernoulli*.
- [7] Guo, Y.<sup>\*</sup>, **Sun, D.**<sup>\*</sup>, and Sun, J. (2023). “Regression analysis of panel count data with both time-dependent covariates and time-varying effects,” *Statistica Sinica*. DOI: 10.5705/ss.202021.0036. To appear.
- [8] Guo, Y., **Sun, D.**<sup>†</sup>, and Sun, J. (2022). “Inference of a time-varying coefficient regression model for multivariate panel count data,” *Journal of Multivariate Analysis*, 192, 105047. DOI: 10.1016/j.jmva.2022.105047. To appear.
- [9] **Sun, D.**, Zhao, H., and Sun, J. (2021). “Regression analysis of asynchronous longitudinal data with informative observation processes,” *Computational Statistics & Data Analysis*, 157, 107161. DOI: 10.1016/j.csda.2020.107161.
- [10] Zhao, H., **Sun, D.**, Li, G., and Sun, J. (2019). “Simultaneous estimation and variable selection for incomplete event history studies,” *Journal of Multivariate Analysis*, 171, 350–361. DOI: 10.1016/j.jmva.2019.01.005.
- [11] Zhao, H., **Sun, D.**, Li, G., and Sun, J. (2018). “Variable selection for recurrent event data with broken adaptive ridge regression,” *Canadian Journal of Statistics*, 46 (3), 416–428. DOI: 10.1002/cjs.11459.
- [12] Shen, L., **Sun, D.**, Ye, Z., and Zhao, X. (2017). “Inference on an adaptive accelerated life test with application to smart-grid data-acquisition-devices,” *Journal of Quality Technology*, 49 (3), 191–212. DOI: 10.1080/00224065.2017.11917990. Alphabetical authorship.

### **Collaborative Work**

- [13] Tracy, E. L., Lehrer, M., Buysse, D., Hall, M., Hasler, B., Krafty, R., So, C., **Sun, D.**, and Wilckens, K. “Effects of CBT-I on circadian rhythmicity and homeostatic sleep drive in older adults with insomnia,” In preparation.
- [14] Liu, L., Mowen, T. J., Visser, C. A., and **Sun, D.** (2022). “Violent victimization during reentry: prevalence, triggers, and impact on mental health,” *Justice Quarterly*. DOI: 10.1080/07418825.2022.2104747. To appear.
- [15] Liu, L., Bachman, R., Qiu, J., and **Sun, D.** (2021). “Do both petty and serious female offenders have shorter incarcerations than their male counterparts? Testing the universality of chivalrous treatment,” *Women & Criminal Justice*, 1–15. DOI: 10.1080/08974454.2021.1962479.
- [16] Liu, L., Visser, C. A., O’Connell, D. J., and **Sun, D.** (2021). “When post-incarcerated individuals return to high-risk neighborhoods: staying out of trouble, social withdrawal, and mental health,” *Crime & Delinquency*, 001112872110647. DOI: 10.1177/00111287211064785.
- [17] Yang, P., **Sun, D.**, Manatunga, A., Harris, F., Wells, L., Bhavani, S., Martin, G., and Esper, A. (2021). “Examining the Association Between Angiopoietin-2 Levels and Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome Subtypes in Critically Ill Patients with Sepsis,” in: *American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine*. Vol. 203, A2669–A2669. DOI: 10/h8rm.
- [18] Liu, L., Miller, S. L., Qiu, J., and **Sun, D.** (2020). “An early adverse experience goes a long, criminogenic, gendered way: the nexus of early adversities, adult offending, and gender,” *Women & Criminal Justice*, 31 (1), 24–39. DOI: 10.1080/08974454.2020.1805395.

- [19] Liu, L., Visher, C. A., and **Sun, D.** (2020). “Do released prisoners’ perceptions of neighborhood condition affect reentry outcomes?” *Criminal Justice Policy Review*, 32 (7), 764–789. doi: 10.1177/0887403420980806.

## CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

### Invited Talks

- 2023 “Partial Quantile Tensor Regression.” 12th ICSA International Conference, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, China. July 7-9.
- 2023 “Partial Quantile Tensor Regression.” ICSA 2023 Applied Statistics Symposium, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI. June 11-14.
- 2023 “Sparse Partial Logistic Tensor Regression with Application to Neuroimaging Data.” Statistical Methods in Imaging Conference, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN. May 22-24.
- 2023 “Kernel meets sieve: transformed hazards models with asynchronous longitudinal covariates.” 2023 Lifetime Data Science Conference, Raleigh, North Carolina. May 31 – Jun 2.
- 2022 “A new robust approach for regression analysis of panel count data with time-varying covariates.” 4th International Conference on Statistical Distributions and Applications, Huntington, WV. Oct 13-15.
- 2022 “A new robust approach for regression analysis of panel count data with time-varying covariates.” The 5th International Conference on Econometrics and Statistics (EcoSta 2022), Ryukoku University, Kyoto, Japan. Jun 4-6.
- 2022 Invited Panelist, NISS GSN Webinar: Postdoctoral Panel, Virtual. Jan 27.
- 2021 “Kernel meets sieve: transformed hazards models with asynchronous longitudinal covariates.” Biostatistics Group Seminar, University of Missouri. May 11.
- 2021 “Kernel meets sieve: transformed hazards models with asynchronous longitudinal covariates.” Statistics Department Seminar, Georgia State University. Mar 26.
- 2021 “Kernel meets sieve: transformed hazards models with asynchronous longitudinal covariates.” Dr. Hongyuan Cao’s group, Florida State University. Mar 11.

### Sessions Organized

- 2022 “Recent developments in complex imaging data analysis.” The 5th International Conference on Econometrics and Statistics (EcoSta 2022), Ryukoku University, Kyoto, Japan. June 4-6.
- 2021 “Statistical Approaches to Addressing Challenges in Neuroimaging Research.” The Statistical Methods in Imaging Conference, Atlanta, GA. May 17-19.

### Sessions Chaired

- 2023 “Statistical and Deep Learning for Survival Data.” 12th ICSA International Conference, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, China. July 7-9.
- 2023 “Advanced Methods for Challenging Problems in Brain Imaging Studies.” ICSA 2023 Applied Statistics Symposium, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI. June 11-14.
- 2022 “Statistical Methods in Handling Longitudinal Data and Temporal Effect.” Joint Statistical Meeting, Washington, DC. Aug 6–11.

- 2022 “Recent developments in complex imaging data analysis.” The 5th International Conference on Econometrics and Statistics (EcoSta 2022), Ryukoku University, Kyoto, Japan. Jun 4–6.
- 2021 “Contributed Papers: Advanced Modeling for Imaging Data.” ENAR Spring Meeting, Virtual. Mar 14–17.
- 2021 “Parallel session 4.” Georgia Statistics Day. Oct 11.
- 2021 “Statistical Approaches to Addressing Challenges in Neuroimaging Research.” The Statistical Methods in Imaging Conference. Atlanta, GA. May 17-19.

### Campus Talks

- 2022 “Partial quantile tensor regression.” CBIS seminar, Emory University, Atlanta, GA. Sep 30.
- 2022 “Partial quantile tensor regression with application to neuroimaging data.” Post-doc research talk for accepted students, Emory University, Atlanta, GA.

### Conference Papers Presented

- 2023 “Envelop-based generalized tensor regression model with application to neuroimaging data.” ENAR Spring Meeting, Nashville, NT. Mar 19–22.
- 2022 “Envelop-based quantile tensor regression model with application to neuroimaging data.” Joint Statistical Meeting, Washington, DC. Aug 6–11.
- 2022 “Envelop-based quantile tensor regression model with application to neuroimaging data.” ENAR Spring Meeting, Huston, TX. Mar 27–30.
- 2021 “Tensor partial least squares for the quantile regression model with multiway neuroimaging data.” Joint Statistical Meeting, Virtual. Aug 8–12.
- 2020 “Semiparametric maximum likelihood estimation for panel count data with time-dependent covariates.” Joint Statistical Meeting, Virtual. Aug 2–6.
- 2020 “Semiparametric maximum likelihood estimation for panel count data with time-dependent covariates.” ENAR Spring Meeting, Virtual. Mar 22-25.
- 2019 “Regression analysis of sparse asynchronous longitudinal data with informative observation times.” Joint Statistical Meeting, Denver, Colorado. Jul 27–Aug 1.
- 2018 “Variable selection for recurrent event data with broken adaptive ridge regression.” Symposium on Data Science & Statistics, Reston, VA. May 16–19.

### Posters

- 2020 “Semiparametric maximum likelihood estimation for panel count data with time-dependent covariates.” ICSA Applied Statistics Symposium, Virtual. Dec 13–16.
- 2019 “Regression analysis of sparse asynchronous longitudinal data with informative observation times.” ICSA Midwest & NIC-ASA Joint all Meeting, Chicago, IL. Oct 24-25.
- 2018 “Variable selection for recurrent event data with broken adaptive ridge regression.” Statistical Analyses of Multi-Outcome Data Workshop, Saint Louis, MO. Jun 11–12.

### AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2023 **Junior Researcher Award**, 12th ICSA International Conference, *Hong Kong, China*. July 7–9

- 2020      **Poster Award**, ICSA Applied Statistics Symposium, *Virtual*. Dec 13–16
- 2019      **First Place in Poster Competition**, ICSA Midwest & NIC-ASA Joint All Meeting, *Chicago, IL*. Oct 24-25
- 2019      **First Place in Poster Competition**, Statistical Analyses of Multi-Outcome Data Workshop, *Saint Louis, MO*. Jun 11–12
- 2018      **Registration Award**, Symposium on Data Science & Statistics
- 2016-20    **G. Ellsworth Huggins Scholarships**, University of Missouri
- 2011-13   **The Hong Kong Polytechnic University Scholarship**
- 2013      **Scholarship in Economics**, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
- 2012      **Dean's Honored List**, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

## TEACHING AND MENTORING

G: Graduate level, UG: Undergraduate level.

### Emory University

Instructor: (Advanced) Seminar in Biostatistics (G), Fall 2022 – Spring 2023

Guest Lecturer:

Statistical Inference II (G), Spring 2021, 2022

Survival Analysis Methods (UG), Fall 2020

Linear Models (G), Fall 2021

### University of Missouri

Teaching Assistant: Introductory Statistical Reasoning (UG), Spring 2016 – Fall 2020

Instructed lecturer: Applied Survival Analysis (UG/G), 2020 Fall

### The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Independent Tutor:

Engineering Mathematics (UG), Fall 2014 –Spring 2015

Introduction to Statistics for Business (UG), Fall 2014 –Spring 2015

### Mentoring Students

With collaborators and supervisors

2020–22   Zhuowei Sun, Doctorate, Jilin University, China

## SERVICE

### Editorial Service

2023 -      Associate Editor, American Journal of Emerging Scholars

### Academic Journal Referee/Reviewer

*JASA* (1), *Annals of Applied Statistics* (1), *Biometrics* (1), *Computational Statistics & Data Analysis* (2), *Lifetime Data Analysis* (4), *Statistics and its Interface* (2), *International Journal of Biostatistics* (1), *BMC Medical Research Methodology* (1), *Statistics in Medicine* (1), *Statistical Methods in Medical Research* (1).

### Grant Reviewer

- 2022 Research Development Fund of Xi'an Jiatong-Liverpool University
- 2023 Postgraduate Research Scholarship Application Review of Xi'an Jiatong-Liverpool University

### Conference Service

- 2023 Program Book Committee chair; IT and Website Committee, 12th ICSA International Conference 2023, Hong Kong, China. July 7–9.
- 2023 Program Book Committee chair, ICSA China Conference 2023, Chengdu, China. June 30 – July 3.
- 2022 COPSS Reception Receptionist at Joint Statistical Meeting 2022. Aug 10
- 2022 Program Committee, ICSA China Conference, Xi'an, Shaanxi, China. Jul 1–3
- 2021 Postdoc Conference Organizing Group, The Statistical Methods in Imaging Conference, Atlanta, GA. May 17–19

### University/Departmental Service

- 2022-23 Department Seminars in Biostatistic and Bioinformatics organizer (with Joshua Lukemire), Emory University, Fall 2022 – Spring 2023
- 2022 Ph.D. qualifying exam proctor, Department of Biostatistic and Bioinformatics, Emory University
- 2022 Survival and Longitudinal Data Analysis Study Group organizer, Department of Biostatistic and Bioinformatics, Emory University, Spring 2022
- 2019-20 Biostatistics Group Seminar organizer, Department of Statistic, University of Missouri

### SKILLS

Programming skills: Matlab, Mathematica, Python, R, C++, SAS, Linux shell scripting  
Languages: Mandarin (Native), English (Fluent), Cantonese (Conversational)

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

May–Aug 2019 **Intern**, Eli Lilly and Company, *Indianapolis*. IN

### MEMBERSHIPS

American Statistical Association (ASA)  
International Biometrics Society - Eastern North American Region (ENAR)  
International Chinese Statistical Association (ICSA)