Eli Ben-Michael

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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA

December 2020

PhD in Statistics, Advisors: Avi Feller and Peng Ding

Columbia University, Columbia College, New York, NY

May 2016

Bachelor of Arts, Summa Cum Laude, Computer Science and Statistics

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

January 2021 - Present

Postdoctoral Fellow, Institute for Quantitative Social Science

PUBLISHED ARTICLES

- **Ben-Michael, E.**, A. Feller, and J. Rothstein (2021+). Synthetic controls and weighted event studies with staggered adoption. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Series B* (SF ASA Student Travel Award winner, Thomas R. Ten Have Poster Award runner up)
- Ben-Michael, E., A. Feller, and J. Rothstein (2021+). The augmented synthetic control method. Journal of the American Statistical Association
- Ben-Michael, E., A. Feller, and E. Stuart (2021). A trial emulation approach for policy evaluations with group-level longitudinal data. *Epidemiology* 32, 533–540
- Elser, H., E. Ben-Michael, D. Rehkopf, S. Modrek, E. A. Eisen, and M. R. Cullen (2019). Layoffs and the mental health and safety of remaining workers: a difference-in-differences analysis of the US aluminium industry. *Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health* 73, 1094–1100

PREPRINTS AND WORKING PAPERS

- Lu, B., **E. Ben-Michael**, A. Feller, and L. Miratrix (2021). Is it who you are or where you are? Accounting for compositional differences in cross-site treatment variation
- **Ben-Michael, E.**, A. Feller, and S. Raphael (2021). The Effect of a Targeted Effort to Remove Firearms from Prohibited Persons on State Murder Rates
- Soriano, D., **E. Ben-Michael**, P. J. Bickel, A. Feller, and S. D. Pimentel (2021). Interpretable Sensitivity Analysis for Balancing Weights
- Ben-Michael, E., A. Feller, and E. Hartman (2021). Multilevel calibration weighting for survey data
- Ben-Michael, E., A. Feller, and J. Rothstein (2020). Variation in impacts of letters of recommendation on college admissions decisions: Approximate balancing weights for treatment effect heterogeneity in observational studies

(American Statistical Association Social Statistics Section Student Paper Award winner)

Keele, L., E. Ben-Michael, A. Feller, R. Kelz, and L. Miratrix (2020). Hospital quality risk standardization via approximate balancing weights

OPEN SOURCE STATISTICAL SOFTWARE

augsynth: R implementation of the augmented synthetic control method

PRESENTATIONS

A trial emulation approach for policy evaluations with group-level longitudinal data Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management Fall Research Conference	
Varying impacts of letters of recommendation on college admissions	
RAND Center for Causal Inference Symposium	June 2021
Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology	July 2020
Synthetic controls with staggered adoption	M 1 0001
$JHU\ CICADAS\ Seminar\ ENAR\ Spring\ Meeting$	March 2021 March 2021
Online Causal Inference Seminar	September 2020
Econometric Society World Congress	August 2020
Joint Statistical Meetings (SFASA Student Travel Award winner)	August 2020
Berkeley-Stanford Econometrics Jamboree	November 2019
Atlantic Causal Inference Conference (Thomas R. Ten Have Poster Award runner up)	May 2019
Multi-level balancing weights for multi-site observational studies Society for Research on Educational Effectiveness	March 2019
The augmented synthetic control method	
2018 European Winter Meeting of the Econometric Society	December 2018
Matrix constraints and multi-task learning for covariate balance	A + 0010
7th Causal Inference Workshop at UAI	August 2018
AWARDS AND HONORS	
Department fellowship, Department of Statistics, U.C. Berkeley	2018
Two years of funding through RTG grant: Advancing Machine Learning - Causality and Interp	pretability
Phi Beta Kappa, Columbia University	2016
Computer Science Department Award, Columbia University	2016
Given to the top two graduating seniors each year	
TEACHING U.C. Berkeley Department of Statistics Graduate Student Instructor	
Stat 232: Experimental Design with Sam Pimentel	Fall 2018
Stat 159/259: Reproducible and Collaborative Data Science with Fernando Pe	
INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE	
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PhD admissions committee, Department of Statistics, UC Berkeley	Spring 2020
·	2018 - Spring 2019
Reviewer for Journal of the American Statistical Association, Econometrica, Biometrysis, Annals of Applied Statistics, Population Health Metrics, Journal of Education Statistics, Journal of Causal Inference, and Journal of Applied Econometrics	
WORK EXPERIENCE	
Uber, New York, NY Data Science Intern	Summer 2019
Walmart Labs, Sunnyvale, CA Machine Learning Scientist Intern	Summer 2017
Knewton, New York, NY Data Science Intern	Summer 2016