Emily Hsiao

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EDUCATION University of Texas, Austin

Ph.D. Student, Statistics

2021 - Expected May 2026

Advisor: Dr. Layla Parast

Committee: Dr. Layla Parast, Dr. Roger Peng, Dr. Jay Bartroff, Dr. Beth Ann Griffin

University of California, Berkeley

B.A. with Honors, Data Science

2017 - 2021

Thesis: Auditing Search Engine Bias - Google and Duckduckgo

Research

Department of Statistics, UT Austin

Experience Graduate Researcher

Fall 2023 - current

Advisor: Layla Parast

Developing a general framework to test assumptions required in current surrogate marker validation techniques to avoid the surrogate paradox using nonparametric statistic methods.

Los Alamos National Lab

Graduate Student Researcher

Summer 2023

Advisor: John Tipton

Developed a model for forecasting mosquito abundance by accounting for sampling effort using temporal change of support. Used for an epidemiological model for predicting cases of mosquito-borne diseases such as denggue and West Nile Virus.

Department of Statistics, UT Austin

Graduate Researcher, Calder Research Group

Summer 2022 - Spring 2023

Under Dr. Kate Calder, used spatial point process models to model crime in Columbus, Ohio with spatially smoothed and areal neighborhood characteristics as model inputs.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant, UT Austin, Department of Statistics and Data Science

SDS 313: Introduction to Data Science

Fall 2023

SDS 302F: Foundations of Data Analysis

Fall 2021, Fall 2022, Spring 2023

SDS 321: Introduction to Probability and Statistics SDS 384: Design Principles and Causal Inference

Spring 2022 Fall 2024

Volunteer Instructor, Texas Prison Education Initiative

Math 305G: Precalculus

Fall 2023, Fall 2024

College Prep Math

Spring 2022, Fall 2022

Assistant Instructor, UT Austin, Department of Statistics and Data Sciences

SDS 320E: Elements of Statistics

Spring 2024

Teaching Assistant, UC Berkeley, Department of Statistics

Stat 88: Probability and Mathematical Statistics for Data Science

Fall 2020, Spring 2021

Stat 140: Probability for Data Science

Spring 2020

Industry Facebook

EXPERIENCE Software Engineering Intern Summer 2020

Infra/Backend software engineering intern. Coded in python and thrift writing a service im-

plementation of data mining algorithms.

Publications Hsiao E, Tian L, Parast L. Avoiding the Surrogate Paradox: An Empirical Framework for

Assessing Assumptions. Journal of Nonparametric Statistics, In Press.

Calder, Pinchak, Browning, Carter, **Hsiao**, Boettner, Tarrence, Bellair. Mobility Network-Based Measurement of Local Collective Efficacy and its Consequences for the Spatial Pattern-

ing of Violent Crime Journal of Quantitative Criminology, In Press.

Hsiao E, Tian L, Parast L. Resilience Measures for the Surrogate Paradox. Submitted.

AWARDS Outstanding Data Science Undergraduate Award

UC Berkeley, Department of Data Science May 2021

INVITED Rank-Based Identification of Surrogates in Small Ebola Studies Symposium June 2024

Presentations Hangzhou International Conference on Frontiers of Data Science July 2024

CONFERENCE ENAR International Biometric Society Meetings, New Orleans, LA March 2025

Presentations

JOURNAL Health Services and Outcomes Research Methodology

Referee Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series B

COMMUNITY Opportunity Through Data

Outreach Data Science Class Teacher Spring 2021

Taught classes in data science techniques (python, pandas, regression, etc) to underrepresented

and under-resourced high school students.

Bridging Berkeley

Middle School Student Mentor Spring 2018

Mentored middle school students, especially students who will be first-generation college stu-

dents, in math and career planning at a youth center.

TECHNICAL SKILLS R, LATEX, Java, C, Python, Git

Professional Institute of Mathematical Statistics

Memberships ENAR of the International Biometric Society

American Statistical Association

 ${\bf Software}$

 ${\tt SurrogateParadoxTest}, an \ R \ package \ nonparametrically \ assess \ assumptions \ necessary \ to \ prevent \ the \ surrogate \ paradox \ through \ hypothesis \ tests \ of \ stochastic \ dominance, \ monotonicity \ of \ regression \ functions, \ and \ non-negative \ residual \ treatment \ effects$