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PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Postdoctoral Scholar
Department of Biostatistics, University of California - Los Angeles

Visiting Scholar
Simons Institute, University of California - Berkeley

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May 2020 - Aug 2020

EDUCATION

Department of Statistical Science, Duke University Ph.D. in Statistics Dissertation: Stochastic Process Models on Dynamic Networks School of Mathematical Sciences, Peking University B.S. in Mathematics and Applied Mathematics

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Bayesian statistics and statistical machine learning for complex and large-scale datasets; stochastic processes and dynamic models; health data science and informatics; social network analysis.

PUBLICATIONS AND PREPRINTS

Inferring HIV Transmission Patterns from Viral Deep-Sequence Data via Latent Spatial Poisson Processes (2022)[†]. Submitted for internal approval; manuscript available upon request

Adjusting for Both Sequential Testing and Systematic Error in Safety Surveillance using Observational Data: Empirical Calibration and MaxSPRT (2022). Accepted by Statistics in Medicine

Network Position and Emergent Phenomena: A Multi-team System Case Study (2022+). *Under revisions*.

Likelihood-based Inference for Partially Observed Stochastic Epidemics with Individual Heterogeneity $(2021)^{\dagger}$. Submitted for review; arXiv:2112.07892.

Likelihood-based Inference for Partially Observed Epidemics on Dynamic Networks $(2020)^{\dagger}$. Journal of the American Statistical Association (Winner of 2020 SBSS Student Paper Award)

SMOGS: Social Network Metrics of Game Success $(2019)^{\dagger}$. The 22nd International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS).

Who Started It? Identifying Root Sources in Textual Conversation Threads (2018). arXiv:1809.03648. († denotes first-author work)

WORKING PAPERS

Bayesian Safety Surveillance with Adaptive Bias Correction (2022+).

Viral and Immune Predictors of Time to Viral Rebound in SHIV-infected Infant Macaques (2021+).

AWARDS AND HONORS

ISBA World Meeting travel award.	June 2022
Duke CFAR Fall Retreat Best Poster Award.	October 2020
SBSS Student Paper Award; JSM travel award.	$August\ 2020$
Honorable Mention for Ph.D. Teaching Assistant for the Year	May 2020
Women in Machine Learning Workshop (WiML) travel award.	December 2017

INVITED TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

ORAL PRESENTATIONS:

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Topic-contributed talk at CMStatistics 2022 (scheduled)	December 2022
Invited talk at the UCLA 2022 Fall Biomathematics Seminar Series (scheduled)	$November\ 2022$
Invited presentation at the 2022 OHDSI Global Symposium (scheduled)	October 2022
Oral presentation at NSF Student Conference on COVID-19 Modeling.	January 2021
Invited talk at 2020 Bayesian Young Statisticians Meeting: Online (BAYSM:O).	$November\ 2020$
Topic-contributed talk at 2020 Joint Statistical Meetings.	$August\ 2020$
Invited talk at the 3rd Annual AT&T Labs Graduate Student Symposium.	$November\ 2019$
Invited talk at the 2019 New England Symposium on Statistics in Sports (NESSIS).	September 2019
Spotlight talk on Duke Machine Learning Day.	March 2019
POSTER PRESENTATIONS:	
Poster presentation at the 2022 ISBA World Meeting.	June~2022
Poster presentation at the 22nd International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS).	April 2019

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Poster presentation at the 2018 ISBA World Meeting.

Poster presentation at Women in Machine Learning Workshop (WiML) 2017.

Program Chair for the junior section of the International Society	January 2022 - present
for Bayesian Analysis (j-ISBA).	

June 2018

December 2017

Judge for Duke Datathon.

October 2020 & 2021

Consultant for DataFest: COVID-19 Virtual Data Challenge. April 2020

Consultant for ASA DataFest @ Duke. April 2018 & April 2019

Journal review for: Journal of the American Statistical Association, The Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS), Science Advances, and Environmental and Ecological Statistics.

TEACHING & MENTORING

Mentor for the 2022 B.I.G. summer research program at UCLA.	$Summer\ 2022$
Instructor of Record for STA101: Data Analysis/Statistical Inference.	Summer~2021
Lab instructor and teaching assistant for $STA199$: Introduction to Data Science.	Fall 2020
Lab instructor and teaching assistant for STA723: Statistics Case Studies.	Spring 2020
Lab instructor and teaching assistant for $STA601$: Bayesian Methods and Modern	Statistics. Fall 2019
Team manager and student mentor for $Duke\ Data+\ 2019.$	$Summer\ 2019$
Instructor of Duke Statistical Science Bootcamp.	$August\ 2018$

ONGOING & PAST RESEARCH PROJECTS

Bayesian Methods Development for Sequential Monitoring of Observational Data for Vaccine Safety, under FDA's CBER BEST collaborative contract (2021+). Work in progress.

The Evolution of Popularity and Images of Characters in Marvel Cinematic Universe Fanfictions (2018). (Technical report at arXiv:1805.03774)

Traffic Speed Nowcasting Based on Urban Road Network and Artificial Neural Network (2017). (B.S. thesis)

Detection of Differential Genetic Networks (2016). (Supported by National Undergraduate Innovation Grant of China)