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EDUCATION

B.Sc. (Honors) Computer Science and Mathematics, Brown University, 1997

Ph.D. Computer Science, University of California Berkeley, 2004

Advisor: Michael Jordan

EMPLOYMENT

Professor, Departments of Statistics and Computer Science, Columbia University, 2014–

Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science, Princeton University, 2011–2014

Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science, Princeton University, 2006–2011

Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Machine Learning, Carnegie Mellon University, 2004–2006

Advisor: John Lafferty

AWARDS

ACM-Infosys Foundation Award for the Computing Sciences, 2013

Blavatnik Award for Young Scientists: Faculty Winner, 2013

Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE), 2011

Office of Naval Research Young Investigator Award, 2011

Alfred P. Sloan Fellowship, 2010

E.L. Keyes Jr. Emerson Electric Co. Faculty Award, 2008

National Science Foundation CAREER Award, 2008

Microsoft New Faculty Fellowship Finalist, 2007

Microsoft Research Award, 2007

Google Research Award, 2006, 2007, 2010

Princeton Engineering Commendation List for Outstanding Teaching,
2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013

U.C. Berkeley C.V. Ramamoorthy Distinguished Research Award, 2006

Microsoft Research Graduate Fellowship, 2002

Berkeley Micro-Electronics Fellowship, 1999

Sigma Xi Scientific Honor Society, 1997

POPULAR PRESS

“Avalanches of Words, Sifted and Sorted.” *The New York Times*. March 24, 2012.

“Organising the Web: The Science of Science.” *The Economist*. April 28, 2011.

“Statistical Time Travel Helps to Answer What-Ifs.” *Wall Street Journal*. November 12, 2009.

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journal Articles

1. D. Mimno, D. Blei, and B. Engelhardt. Posterior predictive checks to quantify lack-of-fit in admixture models of latent population structure. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, to appear.
2. A. Perotte, R. Ranganath, J. Hirsch, D. Blei, and N. Elhadad. Risk prediction for chronic kidney disease progression using heterogeneous electronic health record data and time series analysis. *Journal of the American Medical Informatics Association*, 22 (4), 2015.
3. J. Paisley, C. Wang, D. Blei, and M. Jordan. A nested HDP for hierarchical topic modeling. *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, 37 (2), 2015.
4. G. Polatkan, M. Zhou, L. Carin, D. Blei, and I. Daubechies. A Bayesian nonparametric approach to image super-resolution. *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, 37 (2), 2015.
5. S. Gershman, P. Frazier, and D. Blei. Distance dependent infinite latent feature models. *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, 37 (2), 2015.
6. D. Blei. Build, Compute, Critique, Repeat: Data Analysis with Latent Variable Models. *Annual Review of Statistics and Its Application*, 1 203–232, 2014.
7. S. Gershman, D. Blei, K. Norman, and P. Sederberg. Decomposing spatiotemporal brain patterns into topographic latent sources. *NeuroImage*, 98:91–102, 2014.
8. J. Manning, R. Ranganath, K. Norman, and D. Blei. Topographic factor analysis: A Bayesian model for inferring brain networks from neural data. *PLoS ONE*, 9(5), 2014.

9. P. Gopalan and D. Blei. Efficient discovery of overlapping communities in massive networks. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 110 (36) 14534–14539, 2013.
10. M. Hoffman, D. Blei, C. Wang, and J. Paisley. Stochastic variational inference. *Journal of Machine Learning Research*, 14:1303–1347, 2013.
11. C. Wang and D. Blei. Variational inference in nonconjugate models. *Journal of Machine Learning Research*, 14:1005–1031, 2013.
12. P. DiMaggio, M. Nag, and D. Blei. Exploiting affinities between topic modeling and the sociological perspective on culture: Application to newspaper coverage of U.S. government arts funding. *Poetics*, 41:6, 2013.
13. D. Blei. Topic modeling and digital humanities. *Journal of Digital Humanities*, 2(1), 2013.
14. D. Blei. Comment on multinomial inverse regression for text analysis. *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, 108 (503) 771–772, 2013.
15. B. Chen, G. Polatkan, G. Sapiro, D. Blei, D. Dunson, L. Carin. Deep learning with hierarchical convolutional factor analysis. *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, 35 (8), 2013.
16. J. Paisley, C. Wang and D. Blei. The discrete infinite logistic normal distribution. *Bayesian Analysis*, 7(2):235–272, 2012.
17. D. Blei. Probabilistic topic models. *Communications of the ACM*, 55(4):77–84, 2012.
18. S. Gershman and D. Blei. A tutorial on Bayesian nonparametric models. *Journal of Mathematical Psychology*, 56:1–12, 2012.
19. D. Blei and P. Frazier. Distance dependent Chinese restaurant processes. *Journal of Machine Learning Research*, 12:2461–2488, 2011.
20. L. Hannah, D. Blei and W. Powell. Dirichlet process mixtures of generalized linear models. *Journal of Machine Learning Research*, 12:1923–1953, 2011.
21. S. Gershman, D. Blei, F. Pereira, and K. Norman. A topographic latent source model for fMRI data. *NeuroImage*, 57:89–100, 2011.
22. D. Blei, L. Carin, and D. Dunson. Probabilistic topic models. *Signal Processing*, 27(6):55–65, 2010.
23. D. Blei, T. Griffiths, and M. Jordan. The nested Chinese restaurant process and Bayesian nonparametric inference of topic hierarchies. *Journal of the ACM*, 57(2):1–30, 2010.
24. J. Chang and D. Blei. Hierarchical relational models for document networks. *Annals of Applied Statistics*, 4(1), 2010.
25. S. Gershman, D. Blei, and Y. Niv. Context, learning and extinction. *Psychological Review*, 117(1):197–209, 2010.
26. E. Airoldi, D. Blei, S. Fienberg, and E. Xing. Mixed membership stochastic blockmodels. *Journal of Machine Learning Research*, 9:1981–2014, 2008.

27. D. Blei and J. Lafferty. A correlated topic model of Science. *Annals of Applied Statistics*, 1(1):17–35, 2007.
28. D. Blei and S. Fienberg. Discussion of model-based clustering for social networks. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Series A*, 170:332, 2007.
29. J. McAuliffe, D. Blei, and M. Jordan. Nonparametric empirical Bayes for the Dirichlet process mixture model. *Statistics and Computing*, 16(1):5–14, 2006.
30. Y. Teh, M. Jordan, M. Beal, and D. Blei. Hierarchical Dirichlet processes. *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, 101(476):1566–1581, 2006.
31. D. Blei, K. Franks, M. Jordan, and S. Mian. Statistical modeling of biomedical corpora: mining the Caenorhabditis Genetic Center Bibliography for genes related to life span. *BMC Bioinformatics*, 7(250), 2006.
32. D. Blei and M. Jordan. Variational inference for Dirichlet process mixtures. *Journal of Bayesian Analysis*, 1(1):121–144, 2005.
33. K. Barnard, P. Duygulu, N. de Freitas, D. Forsyth, D. Blei, and M. Jordan. Matching words and pictures. *Journal of Machine Learning Research*, 3:1107–1135, 2003.
34. D. Blei, A. Ng, and M. Jordan. Latent Dirichlet allocation. *Journal of Machine Learning Research*, 3:993–1022, January 2003.

Refereed Conference Articles

35. P. Gopalan, J. Hofman, and D. Blei. Scalable recommendation with hierarchical Poisson factorization. In *Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence*, 2015.
36. R. Ranganath, A. Perotte, N. Elhadad, and D. Blei. The survival filter: Joint survival analysis with a latent time series. In *Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence*, 2015.
37. A. Kucukelbir and D. Blei. Population empirical Bayes. In *Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence*, 2015.
38. A. Schein, J. Paisley, D. Blei, and H. Wallach. Bayesian Poisson tensor factorization for inferring multilateral relations from sparse dyadic event counts. In *Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining*, 2015.
39. M. Hoffman and D. Blei. Structured stochastic variational inference. In *Artificial Intelligence and Statistics*, 2015.
40. R. Ranganath, L. Tang, L. Charlin, and D. Blei. Deep exponential families. In *Artificial Intelligence and Statistics*, 2015.
41. N. Houlsby and D. Blei. A filtering approach to stochastic variational inference. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2014.
42. S. Mandt and D. Blei. Smoothed gradients for stochastic variational inference. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2014.

43. P Gopalan, L. Charlin, and D. Blei. Content based recommendations with Poisson factorization. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2014.
44. R. Ranganath, S. Gerrish, and D. Blei. Black box variational inference. In *Artificial Intelligence and Statistics*, 2014.
45. P Gopalan, F Ruiz, R. Ranganath, and D. Blei. Bayesian nonparametric Poisson factorization for recommendation systems. In *Artificial Intelligence and Statistics*, 2014.
46. M. Rabinovich and D. Blei. The inverse regression topic model. In *International Conference on Machine Learning*, 2014.
47. P Gopalan, C. Wang and D. Blei. Modeling overlapping communities with node popularities. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2013.
48. D. Kim, P Gopalan, D. Blei, and E. Sudderth. Efficient online inference for Bayesian nonparametric relational models. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2013.
49. R. Ranganath, C. Wang and D. Blei. An adaptive learning rate for stochastic variational inference. In *International Conference on Machine Learning*, 2013.
50. P Gopalan, D. Mimno, S. Gerrish, M. Freedman, and D Blei. Scalable inference of overlapping communities. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2012.
51. S. Gerrish and D. Blei. How they vote: Issue-adjusted models of legislative behavior. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2012.
52. C. Wang and D. Blei. Truncation-free online variational inference for Bayesian nonparametric models. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2012.
53. J. Paisley, D. Blei and M. Jordan. Variational Bayesian inference with stochastic search. In *International Conference On Machine Learning*, 2012.
54. D. Mimno, M. Hoffman and D. Blei. Sparse stochastic inference for latent Dirichlet allocation. In *International Conference On Machine Learning*, 2012.
55. S. Gershman, M. Hoffman and D. Blei. Nonparametric variational inference. In *International Conference On Machine Learning*, 2012.
56. A. Chaney and D. Blei. Visualizing topic models. In *International AAAI Conference on Weblogs and Social Media*, 2012.
57. J. Paisley, D. Blei, and M. Jordan. Stick-breaking beta processes and the Poisson process. In *Artificial Intelligence and Statistics*, 2012.
58. S. Ghosh, A. Ungureanu, E. Sudderth, and D. Blei. A Spatial distance dependent Chinese restaurant process for image segmentation. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2011.
59. C. Wang and D. Blei. Collaborative topic modeling for recommending scientific articles. In *Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining*, 2011. **Best Student Paper Award.**

60. D. Mimno and D. Blei. Bayesian checking for topic models. In *Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing*, 2011.
61. S. Gerrish and D. Blei. Predicting legislative roll call from text. In *International Conference on Machine Learning*, 2011. **Distinguished Application Paper Award.**
62. J. Paisley, D. Blei, and L. Carin. Variational inference for stick-breaking beta process priors. In *International Conference on Machine Learning*, 2011.
63. J. Paisley, C. Wang and D. Blei. The discrete infinite logistic normal distribution for mixed-membership modeling. In *Artificial Intelligence and Statistics*, 2011. **Notable Paper Award.**
64. C. Wang, J. Paisley and D. Blei. Online variational inference for the hierarchical Dirichlet process. In *Artificial Intelligence and Statistics*, 2011.
65. M. Hoffman, D. Blei, and F. Bach. On-line learning for latent Dirichlet allocation. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2010.
66. L. Hannah, W. Powell, and D. Blei. Nonparametric density estimation for stochastic optimization with an observable state variable. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2010.
67. D. Blei and P. Frazier. Distance dependent Chinese restaurant processes. In *International Conference on Machine Learning*, 2010.
68. S. Gerrish and D. Blei. A language-based approach to measuring scholarly impact. In *International Conference on Machine Learning*, 2010.
69. M. Hoffman, D. Blei, and P. Cook. Bayesian nonparametric matrix factorization for recorded music. In *International Conference on Machine Learning*, 2010.
70. S. Williamson, C. Wang, K. Heller, and D. Blei. The IBP compound Dirichlet process and its application to focused topic modeling. In *International Conference on Machine Learning*, 2010.
71. L. Hannah, D. Blei, and W. Powell. Dirichlet process mixtures of generalized linear models. In *Artificial Intelligence and Statistics*, 2010.
72. A. Lorbert, D. Eis, V. Kostina, D. Blei, and P. Ramadge. Exploiting covariate similarity in sparse regression via the pairwise elastic net. In *Artificial Intelligence and Statistics*, 2010.
73. J. Li, C. Wang, Y. Lim, D. Blei, and L. Fei-Fei. Building and using a semantivisual image hierarchy. In *Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*, 2010.
74. S. Cohen, D. Blei, and N. Smith. Variational inference for adaptor grammars. In *North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics*, 2010.
75. C. Wang and D. Blei. Decoupling sparsity and smoothness in the discrete hierarchical Dirichlet process. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2009.
76. C. Wang and D. Blei. Variational inference for the nested Chinese restaurant process. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2009.

77. R. Socher, S. Gershman, A. Perotte, P. Sederberg, D. Blei, and K. Norman. A Bayesian analysis of dynamics in free recall. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2009.
78. J. Chang, J. Boyd-Graber, S. Gerrish, C. Wang, and D. Blei. Reading tea leaves: How humans interpret topic models. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2009. **Honorable Mention: Best Student Paper Award.**
79. J. Chang, J. Boyd-Graber, and D. Blei. Connections between the lines: Augmenting social networks with text. In *Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining*, 2009.
80. J. Boyd-Graber and D. Blei. Multilingual topic models for unaligned text. In *Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence*, 2009.
81. J. Chang and D. Blei. Relational topic models for document networks. In *Artificial Intelligence and Statistics*, 2009.
82. C. Wang, B. Thiesson, C. Meek, and D. Blei. Markov topic models. In *Artificial Intelligence and Statistics*, 2009.
83. M. Hoffman, D. Blei, and P. Cook. Finding latent sources in recorded music with a shift-invariant HDP. In *International Conference on Digital Audio Effects*, 2009.
84. M. Hoffman, D. Blei, and P. Cook. Easy as CBA: A simple probabilistic model for tagging music. In *International Conference on Music Information Retrieval*, 2009. **Best Student Paper Award.**
85. M. Hoffman, P. Cook, and D. Blei. Bayesian spectral matching: Turning young MC into MC hammer via MCMC sampling. In *International Computer Music Conference*, 2009.
86. C. Wang, D. Blei, and L. Fei-Fei. Simultaneous image classification and annotation. In *Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*, 2009.
87. I. Mukherjee and D. Blei. Relative performance guarantees for approximate inference in latent Dirichlet allocation. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2008.
88. J. Boyd-Graber and D. Blei. Syntactic topic models. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2008.
89. E. Airoldi, D. Blei, S. Fienberg, and E. Xing. Mixed membership stochastic blockmodels. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2008.
90. C. Wang, D. Blei, and D. Heckerman. Continuous time dynamic topic models. In *Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence (UAI)*, 2008.
91. M. Hoffman, D. Blei, and P. Cook. Content-based musical similarity computation using the hierarchical Dirichlet process. In *International Conference on Music Information Retrieval*, 2008.
92. M. Hoffman, P. Cook, and D. Blei. Data-driven recomposition using the hierarchical Dirichlet process hidden Markov model. In *International Computer Music Conference*, 2008.
93. M. Dudik, D. Blei, and R. Schapire. Hierarchical maximum entropy density estimation. In *Proceedings of the 28th International Conference on Machine Learning*, 2007.

94. W. Li, D. Blei, and A. McCallum. Nonparametric Bayes pachinko allocation. In *The 23rd Conference on Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence*, 2007.
95. D. Kaplan and D. Blei. A computational approach to style in American poetry. In *IEEE Conference on Data Mining*, 2007.
96. D. Blei and J. McAuliffe. Supervised topic models. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2007.
97. J. Boyd-Graber, D. Blei, and X. Zhu. A topic model for word sense disambiguation. In *Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing*, 2007.
98. D. Blei and J. Lafferty. Correlated topic models. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2006.
99. D. Blei and J. Lafferty. Dynamic topic models. In *International Conference on Machine Learning*, 2006.
100. T. Griffiths, M. Steyvers, D. Blei, and J. Tenenbaum. Integrating topics and syntax. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2005.
101. D. Blei and M. Jordan. Variational methods for the Dirichlet process. In *International Conference on Machine Learning*, 2004.
102. D. Blei and M. Jordan. Modeling annotated data. In *ACM SIGIR Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval*, 2003.
103. D. Blei, T. Griffiths, M. Jordan, and J. Tenenbaum. Hierarchical topic models and the nested Chinese restaurant process. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2003. **Best Student Paper Award.**
104. D. Blei, A. Ng, and M. Jordan. Latent Dirichlet allocation. In *Neural Information Processing Systems*, 2002.
105. D. Blei, J. Bagnell, and A. McCallum. Learning with scope, with application to information extraction and classification. In *Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence*, 2002.
106. D. Blei and P. Moreno. Topic segmentation with an aspect hidden Markov model. In *ACM SIGIR conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval*, 2001.

Book Chapters

107. E. Airoldi, D. Blei, E. Erosheva, and S. Fienberg. Introduction to Mixed Membership Models and Methods. In *Handbook of Mixed-Membership Models and Their Applications*. Chapman & Hall/CRC, 2014.
108. S. Williamson, C. Wang, K. Heller, and D. Blei. Nonparametric mixed membership models using the IBP compound Dirichlet process. In K. Mengerson, C. Robert, and D. Titterington, editors, *Mixture Estimation and Applications*. John Wiley and Sons, 2011.
109. D. Blei and J. Lafferty. Topic models. In A. Srivastava and M. Sahami, editors, *Text Mining: Classification, Clustering, and Applications*. Chapman & Hall/CRC Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery Series, 2009.

110. E. Airoldi, D. Blei, S. Fienberg, and E. Xing. Combining stochastic block models and mixed membership for statistical network analysis. In *Statistical Network Analysis: Models, Issues and New Directions*, Lecture Notes in Computer Science, pages 57–74. Springer-Verlag, 2007.
111. D. Blei, A. Ng, and M. Jordan. Hierarchical Bayesian models for applications in information retrieval. In J. Bernardo, J. Berger, A. Dawid, D. Heckerman, A. Smith, and M. West, editors, *Bayesian Statistics 7*, volume 7, pages 25–44. Oxford University Press, 2003.

Edited Volumes

112. E. Airoldi, D. Blei, E. Erosheva, and S. Fienberg, editors. *Handbook of Mixed-Membership Models and Their Applications*. Chapman and Hall/CRC, 2014.
113. E. Airoldi, D. Blei, S. Fienberg, A. Goldenberg, E. Xing, and A. Zheng, editors. *Statistical Network Analysis: Models, Issues and New Directions*. Lecture Notes in Computer Science. Springer-Verlag, 2007.

AWARDED GRANTS

1. *The Next Generation of Probabilistic Programming: Massive Data, Data Streams, and Model Diagnostics*. PI: David M. Blei. Defense Advanced Research Project Agency. \$1.8M. 2013-2017.
2. *BIGDATA: Discovery and Social Analytics for Large-Scale Scientific Literature*. Co-PI: David M. Blei. National Science Foundation. \$997K. 2013-2015.
3. *Scalable Topic Modeling: Online Learning, Diagnostics, and Recommendation*. PI: David M. Blei. Office of Naval Research. \$510K. 2011-2014.
4. *Dynamic and Supervised Topic Models for Literature-Based Discovery*. PI: David M. Blei. Office of Naval Research. \$300K. 2008-2011.
5. *Non-Parametric Bayesian Analysis of Heterogeneous Data*. PI: David M. Blei. Air Force Office of Scientific Research. \$360K. 2009-2012.
6. *CAREER: New Directions in Probabilistic Topic Models*. PI: David M. Blei. National Science Foundation. \$550K. 2008-2013.
7. *Text, Neuroimaging, and Memory: Unified Models of Corpora and Cognition*. PI: David M. Blei. National Science Foundation. \$730K. 2010-2013.
8. *Interactive Discovery and Semantic Labeling of Patterns in Spatial Data* PI: Thomas Funkhouser. Co-PI: David M. Blei. National Science Foundation. \$500K. 2009-2012.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Senior Program Committee

International Conference on Machine Learning, 2015 Program Co-chair

Neural Information Processing Systems (2009, 2010, 2014)

International Conference on Machine Learning (2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014)

Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (2008, 2012, 2014)

Associate Editor and Editorial Board

Journal of Machine Learning Research (2008–present)

IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (2014–present)

Statistics and Computing (2009–2013)

Chapman Hall Series on Computer Science and Data Analysis (2008–present)

Conference Reviewing

Neural Information Processing Systems (2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2011, 2012, 2013)

Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (2005, 2007, 2010)

International Conference on Machine Learning (2006, 2007)

Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence (2005, 2006, 2007)

Association of Computational Linguistics (2008)

Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (2007)

Association of Artificial Intelligence (2007)

International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (2005)

SIGIR Conference on Information Retrieval (2005)

Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (2005)

Journal Reviewing and Editorial Board

Proceedings of the National Academy of Science

Science Magazine

Journal of Machine Learning Research

Journal of the American Statistical Association

Journal of the Royal Statistical Society

Annals of Applied Statistics

Bayesian Analysis

Statistics and Computing

Machine Learning Journal

Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research

IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence

IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks

IEEE Transactions on Audio, Speech, and Language Processing

International Journal on Very Large Data Bases

ACM Transactions on Knowledge Discovery from Data

Grant Reviewing

NSF Panel IIS (2008, 2009, 2010, 2012)

Columbia University

Director of Graduate Studies, Data Science Institute

Executive Committee of the Data Science Institute

Education Committee of the Data Science Institute

Senior Search Committee of the Data Science Institute

Digital Humanities Task Force

Princeton University

Executive Committee for the Committee on Statistical Studies

Faculty Advisory Committee on Athletics and Campus Recreation

Advisor to Computer Science A.B. classes of 2009 and 2010

Program in Applied and Computational Mathematics

Princeton Institute for Computational Science and Engineering, Associated Faculty

Center for Information Technology Policy, Affiliated Faculty

Princeton Neuroscience Institute, Affiliated Faculty

Workshop organizing

“Advances in Variational Inference” (NIPS, 2014)

“Topic Models: Computation, Application, and Evaluation” (NIPS, 2013)

“Statistics and Machine Learning at Princeton” (Princeton University, 2011)

“Applications of Topic Modeling” (NIPS, 2008)

“Statistical Network Analysis” (ICML, 2005)

“Syntax and Semantics” (NIPS, 2003)

Ph.D. Students

Sean Gerrish (2012); Data Scientist, Google

Samuel Gershman (2012); Assistant Professor, Harvard University

Gungor Polatkan (2012, co-advised with Ingrid Dubeiches); Data Scientist, Twitter

Chong Wang (2012); Data Scientist, Voleon Capital Management

Jonathan Chang (2011); Data Scientist, Facebook

Matthew Hoffman (2010, co-advised with Perry Cook); Data Scientist, Adobe Systems

Lauren Hannah (2010, co-advised with Warren Powell); Assistant Professor, Columbia University

Jordan Boyd-Graber (2009); Assistant Professor, University of Colorado

Prem Gopalan (2014); Voleon Capital

Allison Chaney (expected 2016)

Rajesh Ranganath (expected 2016)

Kui Tang (expected 2019)

Maja Rudolph (expected 2019)

Postdoctoral Fellows

David Mimno; Assistant Professor, Cornell University

John Paisley; Assistant Professor, Columbia University

Laurent Charlin; Postdoctoral Fellow, McGill University

Alp Kucukelbir

Stephan Mandt

James McInerney

Other Ph.D. Thesis Committees

Yuening Hu (University of Maryland, 2014)

Edouard Graves (INRIA, 2013)

Mohammad Emtiyaz Khan (University of British Columbia, 2012)

Alex Lorberty (Princeton, 2012)

David Mimno (University of Massachusetts, 2012)

Umar Syed (Princeton, 2010)

Melissa Carroll (Princeton, 2010)

Vasileios Kandylas (University of Pennsylvania, 2009)

Emily Fox (MIT, 2009)

Chenwei Zhu (Princeton, 2008)

Zafer Barutcuoglu (Princeton, 2008)

Katherine Heller (University College London, 2008)

Suhrid Balakrishnan (Rutgers, 2007)

Wei Li (University of Massachusetts, 2007)

Miroslav Dudik (Princeton, 2007)

Professional Memberships

Association of Computing Machinery

Institute for Mathematical Statistics

American Statistical Association

Bernoulli Society

Advising and Consulting

Scientific Advisor, Recruit Artificial Intelligence Laboratories (2015–present)
Scientific Advisor, Liftlighter (2015–present)
Scientific Advisor, MyRoll (2015–present)
Scientific Advisor, VoxGov (2014–present)
Scientific Advisor, Applied Communications Sciences (2012–2013)
Consulting Researcher, Microsoft Research (2013, 2014)
External Reviewer, NYU Data Sciences PhD program (2013)
Scientific Advisor, Chomp (2011–2012, Acquired by Apple)

INVITED TALKS**Year 2015**

1. Center for Mathematical Research, Montreal Canada
2. Princeton Conference on Text Analysis and the Social Sciences
3. Facebook Artificial Intelligence Research, New York City
4. 10th Conference on Bayesian Nonparametric Statistics
5. Amazon Inc., Machine Learning @ Amazon
6. University of Chicago, Statistics Colloquium
7. University of Connecticut, Statistics Colloquium
8. Brown University, Computer Science Colloquium
9. Brown University, Applied Mathematics Colloquium
10. Rutgers University, Innovations in Statistics and Data Analysis
11. Office of Naval Research, Naval Future Force
12. Microsoft Research, Data Science Seminar

Year 2014

13. Keynote Speaker, IBM Research Colloquium on Cognitive Computing (Haifa)
14. Keynote Speaker, IBM Research Machine Learning Seminar (Haifa)
15. Keynote Speaker, DIMACS Mixer
16. George Mason University, Distinguished Lecture
17. University of Washington, Distinguished Lecture
18. Simons Foundation, Frontiers of Data Science
19. Microsoft Research, Redmond
20. Keynote speaker, Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence

21. Data, Society, and Inference Seminar at Stanford University
22. IPAM Workshop on “Stochastic Gradient Methods”

Year 2013

23. Andresseen-Horowitz Academic Summit (Menlo Park, California)
24. Applied Communications Sciences (New Jersey)
25. Bloomberg LLC Distinguished Lecture (New York, New York)
26. City University of New York Computer Science Colloquium
27. Columbia University Data Sciences Institute
28. Duke University Machine Learning Seminar
29. Google Tech Talk (Mountain View, California)
30. INRIA Machine Learning Colloquium (Paris, France)
31. Microsoft Research New York
32. NIPS Workshop on “Probabilistic Modeling of Big Data” (Stateline, Nevada)
33. Stanford University Statistics Seminar
34. Temple University Computer Science Colloquium
35. Xerox Research 20th Anniversary Distinguished Lecture (Grenoble, France)

Year 2012

36. Carnegie-Mellon University Machine Learning Department
37. Harvard University Computer Science Colloquium
38. Harvard University Machine Learning Seminar
39. International Conference on Machine Learning, Invited Tutorial (Edinburgh, Scotland)
40. Johns Hopkins University Computer Science Colloquium
41. Machine Learning Summer School, Invited Lecture Series (Kyoto, Japan)
42. Massachusetts Institute of Technology
43. Jamon Lecture (Stateline, Nevada)
44. New York University Machine Learning Seminar
45. Purdue University Computer Science Colloquium
46. University of California San Diego Computer Science Colloquium
47. University of Texas Austin Statistics Seminar

Year 2011

48. Boston University Computer Engineering Colloquium
49. Conference on Political Methodology (Princeton, New Jersey)
50. Duke University Statistics Seminar
51. IBM Watson (Yorktown Heights, NY)

- 52. ISBA Workshop on Bayesian Nonparametrics (Veracruz, Mexico)
- 53. Joint Statistical Meetings (Miami, Florida)
- 54. Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining, Invited Tutorial (San Diego, California)
- 55. New York University Statistics Seminar
- 56. Stanford University Machine Learning Seminar
- 57. Stanford University Statistics Seminar
- 58. University of California Berkeley Neyman Seminar
- 59. University of Chicago
- 60. University of Pennsylvania Computer Science Colloquium
- 61. University of Tennessee Computer Science Colloquium
- 62. Yale University Applied Mathematics
- 63. Yale University Statistics

2010

- 64. Columbia University Computer Science Colloquium
- 65. Cornell University Computer Science Colloquium
- 66. Duke University Statistics Seminar
- 67. Educational Testing Service Seminar (Princeton, New Jersey)
- 68. Institute for Pure and Applied Mathematics (Los Angeles, California)
- 69. New York Academy of Sciences Machine Learning Symposium
- 70. New York Machine Learning Meetup
- 71. New York University Computer Science Colloquium

2009

- 72. Carnegie Mellon University Machine Learning Seminar
- 73. Carnegie Mellon University Statistics Seminar
- 74. Center for Discrete Mathematics and Theoretical Computer Science (Rutgers)
- 75. Columbia University Statistics Seminar
- 76. Machine Learning Summer School (Cambridge, England)
- 77. New Directions in Analyzing Text as Data (Cambridge, Massachusetts)
- 78. Rutgers University Statistics Seminar

Before 2009

- 79. AAAI Spring Symposium (2002)
- 80. BAE Systems (2008)
- 81. Brown University (2005)
- 82. Carnegie Mellon University (2003)

83. Columbia University (2007)
84. Cornell University (2007)
85. Center for Discrete Mathematics and Theoretical Computer Science (2008)
86. Educational Testing Services (2006)
87. Duke University (2006)
88. Google Research (2004)
89. Google Research (2006)
90. Google Research (2007)
91. The Hebrew University (2008)
92. IBM Almaden (2002)
93. Institute for Pure and Applied Mathematics (2006)
94. Johns Hopkins University (2006)
95. Joint Statistical Meetings (2006)
96. Massachusetts Institute of Technology (2003)
97. Massachusetts Institute of Technology (2007)
98. Massachusetts Institute of Technology (2008)
99. Microsoft Research Redmond (2007)
100. Nature Publishing Group (2008)
101. New York University Computer Science (2005)
102. Princeton University Computer Science (2005)
103. Rutgers University (2007)
104. University of California Irvine (2007)
105. University of California Los Angeles (2005)
106. University of California San Diego (2005)
107. University of California Santa Cruz (2005)
108. University of Illinois Champagne-Urbana (2006)
109. University College London (2008)
110. University of Cambridge (2008)
111. University of Connecticut (2006)
112. University of Connecticut (2007)
113. University of Massachusetts Amherst (2004)
114. University of Pennsylvania (2006)
115. University of Toronto (2003)
116. Xerox PARC (2002)