SHAKEEL GAVIOLI-AKILAGUN

Academic Employment

2023 -Fellow in Statistics

London School of Economics

Teaching postgraduate courses on distributed computing, data management, and graph representation learning. Carrying out research on change point analysis under the guidance of Dr. Yining Chen and Prof. Qiwei Yao.

EDUCATION

2019-23	PhD	in	Statistics

London School of Economics

Thesis: On Inference and Causality in Change Point Regressions

2018-19 MSc in Statistics by Research

London School of Economics (Distinction)

Thesis: Screening High Dimensional Time Series via Tilting

2014-17 BSc in Economics and Econometrics

University of York (First Class)

2015-16 **Economics and Statistics**

University of Hong Kong (exchange year)

RESEARCH

PUBLICATIONS

Fast and Optimal Inference for Change Points in Piecewise Polynomials via Differencing (with P. Fryzlewicz) Electronic Journal of Statistics, 2025

Invited discussion of "Automatic Change-Point Detection in Time Series via Deep Learning" by Li, Fearnhead, Fryzlewicz, and Wang, Journal of the Royal Statistical Society Series B: Statistical Methodology, 2023

Pre-prints & projects

Optimal Online Change Detection via Random Fourier Features (with F. Kalinke) In submission, 2025

Adaptive Detection of Machine-Generated Text (with H. Zhou, J. Zhu, P. Su, K. Ye, Y. Yang, and C. Shi.) In submission, 2025

Causal Change Point Detection using Kernels (with F. Quinzan, and B. Dou.) Work in progress, 2025+

Detecting Changes in Production Frontiers (with Y. Chen) Work in progress, 2024+

Online Detection of Changes in Mean Reverting Processes with Local Cointergration (with Q. Yao, B. Dou, and S. Tiwari,) Work in progress, 2024+

Robust Inference for Change Points in Piecewise Polynomials using Confidence Sets (with P. Fryzlewicz) Manuscript in preparation, 2023+

THESIS

On Inference and Causality in Change Point Regressions, London School of Economics and Political Science, 2023

SEMINARS & CONFERENCES

- International Conference on Econometrics and Statistics, Tokyo (invited), Uncertainty in multivariate, non-Euclidean, and functional spaces, Cambridge (participant), LSE Statistics Research Showcase, London (invited), Detecting Anomalous Structure in Streaming Data Settings, Newton Gateway London (invited); LSE Statistics Research Showcase, London (invited)
- Spring HiTEc meeting on Complex Data in Econometrics and Statistics, Cyprus (invited); LSE Statistics Research Showcase, London (participant with joint work presented by Y. Chen); Statistical Modeling with Applications, Belgrade (invited); Detecting Anomalous Structure in Streaming Data Settings (DASS) launch event, London (invited)
- 2023 16th International Conference on Computational and Methodological Statistics, Berlin (invited); 6th International Conference on Econometrics and Statistics, Tokyo (invited, declined), Charles University Advanced Statistics Seminars, Prague (invited); Paris-Saclay Change-Point Workshop, Paris (invited)
- StatScale Early Careers Researchers Meeting, Brighton (invited), American Statistical Association Joint Statistical Meetings, Washington DC (contributed); International Conference on Robust Statistics, University of Waterloo (contributed, with travel award); Institute of Mathematical Statistics Annual Meeting, London (contributed)
- 2021 14th Conference on Computational and Methodological Statistics, London (contributed)

Teaching

Current teaching

- ST445: Managing and Visualising Data
- ST447: Data Analysis and Statistical Methods
- ST446: Distributed Computing for Big Data
- ST457: Graph Data Analytics and Representation Learning

Past teaching

- ST304: Time Series and Forecasting (2019, 2020, 2021)
- ST310: Machine Learning (2020, 2021)
- ST226: Actuarial Investigations, Financial (2022, 2023)
- ST227: Survival Models (2022, 2023)

Mentoring

- Departmental mentor to undergraduate Statistics students (2024)
- Undergraduate Statistics Practitioner's Challenge (2019, 2020, 2024)
- MSc Dissertations Quantitative Methods Advisor (2019)

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

2018 Summer Research Scholar York Cross-disciplinary Centre for Systems Analysis 2018 Economics Intern Competition and Markets Authority 2017 Policy Research Intern Center for the Study of Democracy 2016 Statistical Research Intern Institute for Integrated Development Studies	2019	Data Science Intern Competition and Markets Authority
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Center for the Study of Democracy Statistical Research Intern	2018	
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SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

ACADEMIC AWARDS

202	23	Postgraduate Travel Award London School of Economics
202	22	Travel Award, International Conference on Robust Statistics $University\ of\ Waterloo$
201	18	ESRC Studentship, MSc & PhD (1+3) pathway London School of Economics
201	16	Achieving Excellence Bursary University of York
201	17	National Scholarship Program at York University of York

TEACHING AWARDS

2023	Class	Teacher	Award
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London School of Economics

'Highly Commended' for teaching in ST304 seminars.

2021 Class Teacher Award

London School of Economics

'Highly Commended' for teaching in ST304 seminars.

Additional Information

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Referee for: Annals of Statistics, Journal of the Royal Statistical Society Series B, IEE Transactions on Information Theory, Computational Statistics and Data Analysis, Journal of Business and Economic Statistics, Journal of Statistical Software, Statistics and Computing, Journal of Computational and Applied Mathematics, Communications in Nonlinear Science and Numerical Simulation

TECHNICAL SKILL

Programming: R, Python, Spark, C++, Hadoop, Kafka

Markup languages: LATEX, HTML, CSS

Human languages: English (native), Italian (native), French (conversational)

EXTRA CURRICULARS

I help organize a lively discussion group for PhD students in the Statistics department at the London School of Economics; see here. I am also an active member of Mwangaza, the Black PhD student network at my university; see here.