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EDUCATION

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

2021-Present

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Statistics

Supervisors: Dr. Trevor Campbell and Dr. Benjamin Bloem-Reddy.

Advanced to candidacy on August 2024.

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

2019-2021

Master of Science (MSc) in Statistics

Thesis: Locally-Adaptive Boosting Variational Inference.

Supervisors: Dr. Trevor Campbell and Dr. Benjamin Bloem-Reddy.

GPA: 94.2% out of 100%.

Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México

2013-2017

Bachelor of Science (BSc) in Applied Mathematics, summa cum laude

Thesis: Bayesian Design of Experiments for Generalized Linear Models.

Supervisor: Dr. Ernesto Barrios-Zamudio.

GPA: 96.9% out of 100%.

Publications and Software

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

*First Author

- <u>G. C. Diluvi</u>*, B. Bloem-Reddy, and T. Campbell. (2024). **Mixed variational flows for discrete variables**. In *International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics*.
- <u>G. C. Diluvi</u>*, B. Dunham, N. Heckman, M. Lee, and R. Lourenzutti. (2022). **Structured, interactive resources for teaching Bayesian inference**. In *International Conference on Teaching Statistics*.

Workshops and conferences

• <u>G. C. Diluvi</u>*, S. Isberg*, B. Dunham, N. Heckman, and M. Lee. (2024). **Using online student focus groups in the development of new educational resources**. In *The Royal Statistical Society International Conference*.

Software

- MAD Mix: Learn discrete distributions with Measure-preserving And Discrete MixFlows. https://github.com/giankdiluvi/madmix.
- LBVI: Bayesian inference via locally-adapted boosting variational inference. https://github.com/ubc-bayes/mixinf.

Non-refereed publications

- G. C. Diluvi (2019). How does it make you feel? Significance, 16(3), 26–29.
- G. C. Diluvi*, M, Mendoza, and G. Orantes (2018). Statistics in the 2018 Mexican general election quick counts. *Laberintos e Infinitos*, 48, 29–37.
- M. Mendoza, G. C. Diluvi, and G. Orantes (2018). **Description of the Bayesian estimation model, stratification design, and sample size for Chiapas.** Scientific, logistic, and operational criteria for the Quick Counts and sampling design protocol, 43–45 and 53–67.

Conferences

Talks

- 2024 RSS International Conference: Using student focus groups in the development of new educational resources.
- 2023 SFU/UBC Joint Statistics Seminar: Mixed variational flows for discrete variables.
- 2022 ICOTS 11: Structured, interactive resources for teaching Bayesian inference.
- 2021 UBC Statistics Seminar: Locally-adaptive boosting variational inference.
- 2020 UBC Social Exposome Cluster Resarch Day: Reliable statistical inference with complex, heterogeneous data. (Prize for best master's presentation.)
- 2019 SFU/UBC Joint Statistics Seminar: Quick counts in the 2018 Mexican general election.

ORGANIZED

- 2021 SFU/UBC Joint Statistics Seminar (co-organizer).
- 2019–2021 weekly graduate student-run seminars at UBC Statistics (co-organizer).

CHAIRED

• 2021 WNAR of IBS Distinguished Speaker Q&A with Dr. Michael I. Jordan (co-chair).

RESEARCH POSITIONS

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

2021-Present

Research Assistant, Department of Statistics

Supervisors: Dr. Trevor Campbell and Dr. Benjamin Bloem-Reddy

Doctoral research focused on developing algorithms for Bayesian inference over discrete variables.

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

2020 - 2023

Research Assistant, Department of Statistics

Supervisor: Dr. Nancy Heckman

Research focused on improving introductory instruction of Bayesian inference and on assessing interactive simulations in development via think-aloud sessions with students.

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

2020-2021

Research Assistant, Department of Statistics

Supervisors: Dr. Trevor Campbell and Dr. Benjamin Bloem-Reddy

Master's research project that combined ideas from MCMC and boosting variational inference to develop a novel algorithm for Bayesian inference.

TEACHING POSITIONS

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

2021-2024

Teaching Assistant Trainer, Department of Statistics

Organize and facilitate the yearly TA orientation workshop for incoming TAs. Supervise and give 1-on-1 feedback to new TAs.

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

2019-2022

Teaching Assistant, Department of Statistics

- Spring 2022: STAT 450 Case Studies in Statistics.
- Spring 2020: STAT 302 Introduction to Probability.
- Spring 2020: STAT 203 Statistical Methods.
- Fall 2019: STAT 200 Elementary Statistics for Applications.

Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México

2017

Undergraduate Faculty Member, Department of Mathematics

Answer questions from Applied Mathematics undergraduate students.

Teaching Assistant, Department of Statistics

• Spring 2016, Fall 2016: EST-14102 Probability II.

SERVICE

Reviewer

• International Conference on Teaching Statistics (ICOTS).

SERVICE TO UBC

- 2023 UBC Faculty of Science external review, graduate student participant.
- 2021 UBC Statistics external review, graduate student participant.

DISTINCTIONS AND AWARDS

- 2021–2024 UBC Four Year Doctoral Fellowship.
- 2021 UBC Faculty of Science Killam Teaching Assistant Award nomination.
- 2021 UBC Department of Statistics Teaching Assistant Award.
- 2020 UBC SEC Research Day: prize for best master's presentation.
- 2019 XXIV ITAM Alumni Research Awards: Honorable Mention, applied math category.

Professional Experience

PFIZER INC 2016–2019

Business Analytics

Intern (2016), Analyst (2017), Coordinator (2018), Sr. Coordinator (2019)

I developed data-driven analyses and presented them to marketing directors with no formal statistical training. My last two projects were leading the development of a company-wide dashboard used in monthly in-depth business reviews and training a random forest model to identify potentially-loyal physicians.

MEXICO'S NATIONAL ELECTORAL INSTITUTE (INE)

2018

Research Assistant

The INE formed a nine-member and twelve-assistant committee to carry out quick counts for the 2018 Mexican general election. I worked as a research assistant for committee-member Dr. Manuel Mendoza. We improved his original Bayesian model, defined the sampling design used in Chiapas, and I developed the code for generating the official report for the Presidential election.

OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

2022 - 2024

Graduate Student Representative, Department of Statistics

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

2020-2022

Statistical Consultant, Department of Statistics

Some of the projects that I have worked on:

- 2022 The use of the R sounds in the variety of Portuguese spoken by Santomean immigrants in Portugal (mentor).
- 2021 The right to Vancouverism: social reproduction placemaking in the revanchist city.
- $\bullet\,$ 2021 Sample size calculations and statistical analysis of key e-commerce metrics.
- 2020 Functional consequences of TMEM30A mutations in the survival of lymphoma.
- 2020 The sporting history and athlete development pathway of Canadian university athletes.

Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México

2015-2017

Editorial Team Member, Laberintos & Infinitos

Editor (2015–2016), Editor in Chief (2017)

Mathematics, statistics, and actuarial science student journal.