PERSONAL INFORMATION

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ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH

EMPLOYMENT

2020- Deputy Head of Department

Department of Mathematics and Statistics La Trobe University, Melbourne, Australia

2019- Senior Lecturer

Department of Mathematics and Statistics La Trobe University, Melbourne, Australia

2016-2020 DECRA Research Fellow

Australian Research Council (ARC) grant number: DE170101134.

La Trobe University, Melbourne, Australia

Project: Feasible algorithms for big inference.

2016-2019 Lecturer

Department of Mathematics and Statistics La Trobe University, Melbourne, Australia

2018, 2019 Visiting Research Fellow

Statify (previously Mistis) Team Inria Grenoble Rhone-Alpes, France

2015, 2019 Visiting Research Fellow

SIMEXP Laboratory

Centre de Reserche de l'Institut Universitaire de Geriatrie de Montreal, Canada

2017, 2018 Visiting Research and Teaching Fellow

Lab of Mathematics: Nicolas Oresme University of Caen, Normandy, France

2015-2016 Postdoctoral Research Fellow

School of Mathematics and Physics, and Centre for Advanced Imaging

University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia

Supervisors: Dr Andrew Janke and Prof Geoffrey McLachlan

Project: Mixture modelling for multimodal medical imaging data

Predoctoral Positions

2010 Vacation Research Scholar

Diamantina Institute, University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia

Supervisor: Dr Michelle Hills

Project: Bioinformatics for clinical proteomics

2009 Research Assistant

Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation, Australia

Supervisors: Dr Andrew George and Dr Emma Huang

Project: Genome-wide association study of wheat crop traits

2008 Vacation Research Scholar

Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation, Australia

Supervisors: Dr Andrew George and Dr Emma Huang

Proiect: Association analysis in sugarcane—on the hunt for sugar genes

TERTIARY EDUCATION

2011–2015 **PhD in Statistics** (Dean's Award for Outstanding RHD Theses)

University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia

Supervisors: Prof Geoffrey McLachlan, Dr Ian Wood, and Dr Andrew Janke

Thesis title: Finite mixture models for linear regression data

2006–2011 Bachelor of Science with First Class Honours in Statistics (Mathematics and Statistics majors; University Medal)

University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia

Supervisors: Dr Ian Wood and Dr Andrew George

Thesis title: Variable selection in linear models using metaheuristic algorithms with applications in genome-wide as-

sociation studies

2010 Study Abroad (Scholarship; Spring Semester)

University of California, Berkeley, USA

2006-2010 Bachelor of Economics

University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia

TEACHING AND COORDINATION

Teaching

2018, 2020 Models for bioinformatics (STA5MB, La Trobe University; Postgraduate)

A masters level course on the application of statistical models and methods to the analysis of bioinformatics data. This course covered the use of visualization and exploratory tools for investigating bioinformatics data, as well as rigorous methods of analysis, such as via hypothesis testing and false discovery rate control protocols. The course contained both theoretical and practical aspects of bioinformatics data analysis, as well as computation, which was taught in the R programming language.

Capacity: Lecturer, Department of Mathematics and Statistics

2016 Experimental design (STAT3003, University of Queensland; Undergraduate)

A series of four lectures was taught on the topic of sampling theory and finite population statistics.

Casual Lecturer, School of Mathematics and Physics Capacity:

Coordination

2020 Biostatistics (STA2BS, La Trobe University; Undergraduate)

2020 Engineering probability and statistics (STM2EPS, La Trobe University; Undergraduate)

Predoctoral Positions

2009–2014 Tutor (School of Economics, University of Queensland)

Provided instruction in various mathematical and quantitative courses that were taught by the School of Economics. University of Queensland including undergraduate and postgraduate courses.

Undergraduate: Applied econometrics for macroeconomics and finance (ECON3350; 2014), Mathematical economics (ECON2050; 2012-2014), Tools of economic analysis (ECON1050; 2011, 2014), Introductory econometrics (2300; 2012), Quantitative economics and business analysis B (ECON1320; 2009-2012), Quantitative economics and business analysis A (ECON1310; 2009)

Postgraduate: Mathematical techniques for economics (ECON7150; 2013, 2014), Statistics for business and economics (ECON7300; 2010-2013), Elements of econometrics (ECON7310; 2012)

2007-2014 Tutor (School of Mathematics and Physics, University of Queensland)

Provided instruction across the catalog of courses taught by the School of Mathematics and Physics, including various courses in mathematics, probability, and statistics, as well as service-type quantitative courses for students outside of the school.

Mathematics: Multivariate calculus and ODE (MATH1052; 2008, 2012), Calculus and linear algebra II (MATH2000; 2010), Calculus and linear algebra I (MATH1051; 2009), Basic mathematics (MATH1040; 2007)

Advanced analysis of scientific data (STAT1301; 2014), Experimental design (STAT3003; 2012, 2013), Statistics:

Analysis of scientific data (STAT1201; 2008–2011), Analysis of engineering and scientific data (STAT2201;

2009), Probability models for engineering and science (STAT2203; 2008)

Service:

Biomedical science (BIOM3200; 2012–2014), Research methodology (HRSS7806; 2011–2013), Pharmacy – data analysis and professional practise (PHRM1020; 2008, 2009, 2011), Advanced research

processes in health sciences (HRSS7808; 2010)

Journal Articles

- [1] M Vladimirova, S Girard, H Nguyen, and J Arbel. Sub-Weibull distributions: generalizing sub-Gaussian and sub-Exponential properties to heavier-tailed distributions. *Stat*, 9:e318, 2020.
- [2] E Redivo, H Nguyen, and M Gupta. Bayesian clustering of skewed and multimodal data using geometric skew normal distributions. *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis*, 152:107044, 2020.
- [3] T T Nguyen, H D Nguyen, F Chamroukhi, and G J McLachlan. Approximation by finite mixtures of continuous density functions that vanish at infinity. *Cogent Mathematics and Statistics*, 7:1750861, 2020.
- [4] H D Nguyen, F Forbes, and G J McLachlan. Mini-batch learning of exponential family finite mixture models. Statistics and Computing, 30:731–748, 2020.
- [5] H D Nguyen, J Arbel, H Lü, and F Forbes. Approximate Bayesian computation via the energy statistic. *IEEE Access*, 8:131683–131698, 2020.
- [6] D V Fryer, I Strümke, and H D Nguyen. Shapley value confidence intervals for attributing variance explained. *Frontiers in Applied Mathematics and Statistics*, 6:587199, 2020.
- [7] J Bagnall, A Jones, N Karavarsamis, and H Nguyen. The fully-visible Boltzmann machine and the Senate of the 45th Australian Parliament in 2016. *Journal of Computational Social Science*, 3:55–81, 2020.
- [8] J Arbel, O Marchal, and H D Nguyen. On strict sub-Gaussianity, optimal proxy variance and symmetry for bounded random variables. *ESAIM: Probability and Statistics*, 24:39–55, 2020.
- [9] L Truong, H Nguyen, H Nguyen, and H Vu. Pedestrian overpass use and its relationship with digital and social distractions, and overpass characteristics. *Accident Analysis and Prevention*, 131:234–238, 2019.
- [10] H D Nguyen, Y Yee, G J McLachlan, and J P Lerch. False discovery rate control for grouped or discretely supported p-values with application to a neuroimaging study. SORT, 43:1–22, 2019.
- [11] H D Nguyen and G J McLachlan. On approximation via convolution-defined mixture models. Communications in Statistics -Theory and Methods, 48:3945–3955, 2019.
- [12] H D Nguyen, F Chamroukhi, and F Forbes. Approximation results regarding the multiple-output mixture of linear experts model. *Neurocomputing*, 366:208–214, 2019.
- [13] H D Nguyen. Asymptotic normality of the time-domain generalized least squares estimator for linear regression models. *Stat*, 8(e248), 2019.
- [14] A T Jones, J J Bagnall, and H D Nguyen. BoltzMM: an R package for maximum pseudolikelihood estimation of fully-visible Boltzmann machines. *Journal of Open Source Software*, 4:1193, 2019. https://doi.org/10.21105/joss.01193.
- [15] D Fryer, H Nguyen, and P Orban. studentlife: tidy handling and navigation of a valuable mobile-health dataset. *Journal of Open Source Software*, 4(40), 2019.
- [16] F Chamroukhi and H D Nguyen. Model-based clustering and classification of functional data. WIREs Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery, e1298, 2019.
- [17] P Orban, C Dansereau, L Desbois, V Mongeau-Perusse, C-E Giguere, H Nguyen, A Mendrek, E Stip, and P Bellec. Multisite generalizability of schizophrenia diagnosis classification based on functional brain connectivity. Schizophrenia Research, 192:167–171, 2018.
- [18] H D Nguyen, D H Wang, and G J McLachlan. Randomized mixture models for probability density approximation and estimation. *Information Sciences*, 467:135–148, 2018.
- [19] H D Nguyen, G J McLachlan, J F P Ullmann, V Voleti, W Li, E M C Hillman, D C Reutens, and A L Janke. Whole-volume clustering of time series data from zebrafish brain calcium images via mxiture modeling. Statistical Analysis and Data Mining, 11:5–16, 2018.
- [20] H D Nguyen and G J McLachlan. Some theoretical results regarding the polygonal distribution. *Communications in Statistics Theory and Methods*, 47:5083–5095, 2018.
- [21] H D Nguyen and G J McLachlan. Chunked-and-averaged estimators for vector parameters. Statistics and Probability Letters, 137:336–342, 2018.
- [22] H D Nguyen, A T Jones, and G J McLachlan. Stream-suitable optimization algorithms for some soft-margin support vector machine variants. *Japanese Journal of Statistics and Data Science*, 1:81–108, 2018.
- [23] H D Nguyen and F Chamroukhi. An introduction to the practical and theoretical aspects of mixture-of-experts modeling. WIREs Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery, e1246, 2018.
- [24] H D Nguyen. Near universal consistency of the maximum pseudolikelihood estimator for discrete models. *Journal of the Korean Statistical Society*, 47:90–98, 2018.
- [25] L R Lloyd-Jones, H D Nguyen, and G J McLachlan. A globally convergent algorithm for lasso-penalized mixture of linear regression models. *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis*, 119:19–38, 2018.

- [26] A T Jones, H D Nguyen, and G J McLachlan. logKDE: log-transformed kernel density estimation. *Journal of Open Source Software*, 3:870, 2018.
- [27] C Oyarzun, A Sanjurjo, and H Nguyen. Response functions. European Economic Review, 98:1-31, 2017.
- [28] H D Nguyen, G J McLachlan, P Orban, P Bellec, and A L Janke. Maximum pseudolikelihood estimation for a model-based clustering of time series data. *Neural Computation*, 29:990–1020, 2017.
- [29] H D Nguyen and G J McLachlan. Progress on a conjecture regarding the triangular distribution. *Communications in Statistics Theory and Methods*, 46:11261–11271, 2017.
- [30] H D Nguyen. An introduction to MM algorithms for machine learning and statistical estimation. WIREs Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery, 7(e1198), 2017.
- [31] H D Nguyen and I A Wood. Asymptotic normality of the maximum pseudolikelihood estimator for fully visible Boltzmann machines. *IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems*, 27:897–902, 2016.
- [32] H D Nguyen and I A Wood. A block successive lower-bound maximization algorithm for the maximum pseudolikelihood estimation of fully visible Boltzmann machines. *Neural Computation*, 28:485–492, 2016.
- [33] H D Nguyen, G J McLachlan, and I A Wood. Mixtures of spatial spline regressions for clustering and classification. *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis*, 93:76–85, 2016.
- [34] H D Nguyen, G J McLachlan, J F P Ullmann, and A L Janke. Spatial clustering of time-series via mixture of autoregressions models and Markov Random Fields. *Statistica Neerlandica*, 70:414–439, 2016.
- [35] H D Nguyen, G J McLachlan, J F P Ullmann, and A L Janke. Laplace mixture autoregressive models. *Statistics and Probability Letters*, 110:18–24, 2016.
- [36] H D Nguyen and G J McLachlan. Maximum likelihood estimation of triangular and polygonal distributions. *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis*, 106:23–36, 2016.
- [37] H D Nguyen and G J McLachlan. Linear mixed models with marginally symmetric nonparametric random-effects. *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis*, 106:151–169, 2016.
- [38] H D Nguyen and G J McLachlan. Laplace mixture of linear experts. *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis*, 93:177–191, 2016.
- [39] H D Nguyen, L R Lloyd-Jones, and G J McLachlan. A universal approximation theorem for mixture-of-experts models. *Neural Computation*, 28:2585–2593, 2016.
- [40] H D Nguyen, L R Lloyd-Jones, and G J McLachlan. A block minorization-maximization algorithm for heteroscedastic regression. *IEEE Signal Processing Letters*, 23:1031–1135, 2016.
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- [44] L R Lloyd-Jones, H D Nguyen, Y-G Wang, and M F O'Neill. Improved estimation of size-transition matrices using tag-recapture data. *Canadian Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences*, 71:1385–1394, 2014.
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- [46] H D Nguyen, M M Hill, and I A Wood. A robust permulation test for quantitative SILAC proteomics experiments. *Journal of Integrated OMICS*, 2(80-93), 2012.
- [47] K L Inder, Y Z Zheng, M J Davis, H Moon, D Loo, H Nguyen, J A Clements, R G Parton, L J Foster, and M M Hill. Expression of PRTF in PC-3 cells modulated cholesterol dynamics and actin cytoskeleton impacting secretion pathways. *Molecular and Cellular Proteomics*, 11(M111.012245), 2012.

Conference Papers

- [48] D Fryer, H Nguyen, and P Castellazzi. *k*-means on positive definite matrices, and an application to clustering in radar image sequences. In *Proceedings of the IEEE Symposium Series on Computational Intelligence*, 2020.
- [49] H D Nguyen. An introduction to approximate Bayesian computation. In *Proceedings of the Research School on Statistics and Data Science (RSSDS)*, 2019.
- [50] F Chamroukhi, F Lecocq, and H D Nguyen. Regularized estimation and feature selection in mixtures of Gaussian-gated experts models. In *Proceedings of the Research School on Statistics and Data Science (RSSDS)*, 2019.
- [51] H D Nguyen, A T Jones, and G J McLachlan. Positive data kernel density estimation via the logKDE package for R. In *Proceedings of the Sixteenth Australasian Data Mining Conference*, 2018.
- [52] H D Nguyen and G J McLachlan. Iteratively-reweighted least-squares fitting of support vector machines: a majorization-minimization algorithm approach. In *Proceedings of the 2017 Future Technologies Conference (FTC)*, 2017.

- [53] H D Nguyen. A two-sample Kolmogorov-Smirnov-like test for Big Data. In *Proceedings of the Fifteenth Australasian Data Mining Conference*, 2017.
- [54] H D Nguyen and G J McLachlan. Asymptotic inference for hidden process regression models. In *Proceedings of the IEEE Statistical Signal Processing Workshop*, 2014.
- [55] H D Nguyen, A L Janke, N Cherbuin, G J McLachlan, P Sachdev, and K J Anstey. Spatial false discovery rate control for magnetic resonance imaging studies. In *Proceedings of the 2013 Digital Imaging: Techniques and Applications (DICTA)* Conference, 2013.
- [56] H D Nguyen and I A Wood. Variable selection in statistical models using population-based incremental learning with applications to genome-wide association studies. In *Proceedings of the 2012 IEEE Congress on Evolutionary Computation (CEC)*, 2012.

Book Chapters

- [57] H D Nguyen and A T Jones. Big data-appropriate clustering via stochastic approximation and Gaussian mixture models. In *Data Analytics: Concepts, Techniques, and Applications.* CRC Press, 2018.
- [58] H D Nguyen, G J McLachlan, and M M Hill. Permutation tests with false discovery corrections for comparative-profiling proteomics experiments. In *Methods in Molecular Biology: Proteomics Bioinformatics*. Springer, 2017.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS _

- [59] H Nguyen, editor. Statistics and Data Science: Proceedings of the 2019 Research School on Statistics and Data Science (RSSDS), Singapore, 2019. Springer.
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SUBMITTED MANUSCRIPTS.

WORKING PAPERS, AND

PREPRINTS

- [68] H D Nguyen and F Forbes. Global implicit function theorems and the online expectation–maximisation algorithm. 2021.
- [69] D Fryer, I Strümke, and H Nguyen. Shapley values for feature selection: the good, the bad, and the axioms. 2021.
- [70] F Forbes, H D Nguyen, T T Nguyen, and J Arbel. Approximate Bayesian computation with surrogate posteriors. 2021.
- [71] J-B Durand, F Forbes, C D Phan, L Truong, H D Nguyen, and F Dama. Bayesian nonparametric spatial prior for traffic crash risk mapping: a case study of Victoria, Australia. 2021.
- [72] F Almasi, H Nguyen, D Heydarian, S Nikbin, C J Jenvey, E Halliwell, R Sohi, E N Ponnampalam, A Desai, M Jois, and M J Stear. Quantification of the variation in grazing behaviour among sheep. 2021.
- [73] S Urchs, A Tam, P Orban, C Moreau, Y Benhajali, H D Nguyen, A C Evans, and P Bellec. Subtypes of functional connectivity associate robustly with asd diagnosis. 2020.
- [74] S Urchs, H D Nguyen, C Moreau, C Dansereau, A Tam, A C Evans, and P Bellec. Reporoducible functional connectivity endophenotype confers high risk of ASD diagnosis in subset of individuals. 2020.
- [75] M Terrett, D Fryer, T Doody, H Nguyen, and P Castellazzi. SARGDV: Efficient identification of groundwatter-dependent vegetation using synthetic aperture radar. 2020.

- [76] R Sohi, A Carroll, H Nguyen, Z Almasi, J Miller, J Trompf, A Bervan, B I Godoy, M Stear, A Desai, and M Jois. Determination of ewe behaviour around lambing time and prediction of parturition seven days prior to lambing by smart technology in an extensive farm system. 2020.
- [77] T T Nguyen, H D Nguyen, F Chamroukhi, and G J McLachlan. An l_1 -oracle inequality for the lasso in mixture-of-experts regression models. 2020.
- [78] T T Nguyen, F Chamroukhi, H D Nguyen, and G J McLachlan. Approximation of probability density functions via location-scale finite mixtures in Lesbegue spaces. 2020.
- [79] H D Nguyen, T T Nguyen, F Chamroukhi, and G McLachlan. Approximations of conditional probability density functions in Lesbegue spaces via mixture of experts models. 2020.
- [80] H D Nguyen and D V Fryer. A binary-response regression model based on support vector machines. 2020.
- [81] H D Nguyen. Universal inference with composite likelihoods. 2020.
- [82] H D Nguyen. Finite sample inference for generic autoregressive models. 2020.
- [83] D V Fryer, I Strümke, and H Nguyen. Explaining the data or explaining a model? Shapley values that uncover non-linear dependencies. 2020.
- [84] H D Nguyen. A note on the convergence of the Gaussian mean shift algorithm. https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.02337, 2017.
- [85] H D Nguyen, G J McLachlan, J F P Ullmann, and A L Janke. Faster functional clustering via Gaussian mixture models. https://arxiv.org/abs/1608.05481, 2016.

GRANTS AND RESEARCH

FUNDING

2019-2021 Inria Associate Teams (36,000 EURO)

Co-investigator: Dr Florence Forbes (Inria Rhone-Alpes)

Project: Latent analysis, adversarial networks, and DimEnsionality Reduction (LANDER)

2018–2021 **Discovery Project** (242,194 AUD; DP180101192)

Australian Research Council

Co-investigators: Prof Geoffrey McLachlan (University of Queensland) and Dr Sharon Lee (University of Queensland)

Project: Classification methods for providing personalised and class decisions

2017-2020 Discovery Early Career Research Award (360,000 AUD; DE170101134)

Australian Research Council

Project: Feasible algorithms for big inference

2018 AFRAN Call for Initiatives (3,000 AUD)

Australian-French Association for Research and Innovation

Project: Research School on Statistics and Data Science

2018 FASIC RESEARCHERS Program (2,545 EURO)

Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs, and Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation (France)

Co-awardee: Dr Florence Forbes (Inria Rhone-Alpes)

Project: Latent analysis, adversarial networks, and dimensionality reduction

2017-2019 Start Up Grant (15,000 AUD)

La Trobe University

SCHOLARSHIPS AND PRIZES

2015 AK Head Travelling Scholarship (13,000 AUD)

Australian Academy of Science

2011–2014 ASPREE-ENVISION Scholarship (21,000 AUD)

Australian National University

2011–2014 Advantage RHD Scholarship (17,500 AUD)

University of Queensland

2011-2014 Australian Postgraduate Award (87,000 AUD)

University of Queensland

2010	Honours Research Scholarship (5,000 AUD) Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization	
2010	Summer Research Scholarship (3,000 AUD) University of Queensland	
2009	Economics Jubilee Scholarship (8,000 AUD) University of Queensland	
2009	National Priority Scholarship (2,000 AUD) University of Queensland	
2008	Vacation Research Scholarship (8,500 AUD) Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization	
2008	Elizabeth Norsworthy Power Industry Bursary (7,500 AUD) Stanwell Corporation Limited	
2008	Prize for Third Year Statistics (500 AUD) Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	
2007, 2008	Undergraduate Scholarship (8,000 AUD) Australian Bureau of Statistics	
2006, 2007	Commonwealth Educational Cost Scholarship (4,000 AUD) University of Queensland	
2006	Kenneth Swanwick Memorial Prize (100 AUD) University of Queensland	
2006	John Black Prize (100 AUD) University of Queensland	
	TEACHING AWARDS	
2013, 2014	Distinguished Teaching Award School of Economics, University of Queensland	
2012	Excellence in Tutoring Award School of Mathematics and Physics, University of Queensland	
ST	UDENT SUPERVISION	
2020	Nauvoo Perez (AMSI Vacation Scholar, La Trobe University) Project: Statistical learning for time-to-relapse of colorectal cancer patients	
2019–	Fazel Almasi (PhD Candidate, La Trobe University) Co-supervised with Profs Michael Stear, Aniruddha Desai, and Drs Markandeya Jois and Eric Ponnampala Trobe University Project: Parasitological and behavioral study of lambs using sensor technology	m, La
2019–	Cong Duc Phan (PhD Candidate, La Trobe University) Co-supervised with Dr Long Truong, La Trobe University Project: Exploring the road safety impacts of transport demand management	
2019–	Daniel Fryer (PhD Candidate, University of Queensland) Co-supervised with Prof Geoffrey McLachlan and Dr Ian Wood, University of Queensland Project: Interpretable methods in AI and statistics	
2018–	Trung Tin Nguyen (PhD Candidate, University of Caen, Normandy) Co-supervised with Prof Faicel Chamroukhi, University of Caen, Normandy Project: Learning and approximation theory of mixture models and mixture of experts	
2017–	Mason Terrett (PhD Candidate, La Trobe University) Co-supervised with Dr Tanya Doody, CSIRO Project: Applications of synthetic aperture radar for the identification of groundwater-dependent ecosystems	
2017–	Jessica Bagnall (PhD Candidate, La Trobe University) Project: Machine learning methods in social science	- 7\ 4
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Oral Presentations

2020 Global implicit function theorems and the online EM algorithm

Conference: 14th International Conference of the ERCIM WG on Computational and Methodological Statistics (CM-

Statistics)

Location: London, UK (Delivered online)

2019 Mixture of autoregressive moving average models

Conference: 13th International Conference of the ERCIM WG on Computational and Methodological Statistics (CM-

Statistics)

Location: London, UK

2019 Approximate Bayesian computation with discrepancy measurements

Conference: Research School on Statistics and Data Science (RSSDS2019)

Location: Melbourne, Australia

2019 Mixtures of local logistic regressions for nonlinear classification when data are heterogeneous

Conference: 3rd International Conference on Econometrics and Statistics (EcoSta 2019)

Location: Taichung, Taiwan

2018 Fast Gaussian mixture model estimation using online EM algorithms

Conference: 11th International Conference of the ERCIM WG on Computational and Methodological Statistics (CM-

Statistics)

Location: Pisa, Italy

2018 On approximations via convolution-defined mixture models

Conference: 2nd Italian-French Statistical Seminar

Location: Grenoble, France

2017 Stream-suitable optimization algorithms for some soft-margin support vector machines

Conference: 10th International Conference of the ERCIM WG on Computational and Methodological Statistics (CM-

Statistics)

Location: London, UK

2017 Iteratively-reweighted least-squares fitting of support vector machines: a majorization-minimization algo-

rithm approach (Best Paper Award)

Conference: 2nd Future Technologies Conference

Location: Vancouver, Canada

2017 A two-sample Kolmogorov-Smirnov-like test for Big Data

Conference: 15th Australasian Data Mining Conference

Location: Melbourne, Australia

2017 Novel algorithm for clustering of data on the unit sphere via mixture models

Conference: Joint Statistics Meeting Location: Baltimore, Australia

2016 Fast model-based clustering of functional data via Gaussian mixture models

Conference: 9th International Conference of the ERCIM WG on Computational and Methodological Statistics (CM-

Statistics)

Location: Seville, Spain

2015 Spatial clustering of time-series via mixtures of autoregressive models and Markov random fields

Conference: 8th International Conference of the ERCIM WG on Computational and Methodological Statistics (CM-

Statistics)

Location: London, UK

2013 Spatial false discovery rate control for magnetic resonance imaging studies

Conference: International Conference on Digital Image Computing: Techniques and Applications (DICTA)

Location: Hobart, Australia

Variable selection in statistical models using population-based incremental learning with applications to genome-wide association studies

Conference: IEEE Congress on Evolutionary Computation

Location: Brisbane, Australia

Poster Presentations

2014 Asymptotic inference for hidden process regression models

Conference: IEEE Statistical Signal Processing Workshop

Location: Gold Coast, Australia

INVITED PRESENTATIONS AND

WORKSHOPS

	WORKSHOPS	
2021	Order selection with confidence for mixture models (Department of Mathematics and Statistics Colloquium)	
	Location: Macquarie University, Sydney (Delivered online)	
2020	Machine learning for statistical analysis – it's just a game! (AgriBio, Intellectual Climate Fund talk)	
	Location: La Trobe University, Melbourne (Delivered online)	
2020	Multivariate analyses—A normal approach (AgriBio, Intellectual Climate Fund talk)	
	Location: La Trobe University, Melbourne (Delivered online)	
2020	The multiple testing problem in high-throughput biology (AgriBio Lectures in Mathematical Biology)	
	Location: La Trobe University, Melbourne (Delivered online)	
2020	Approximate Bayesian computation via the energy statistic (One World Approximate Bayesian Computation (ABC) Seminar)	n
	Location: University of Warwick, UK (Delivered online)	
2020	Shapley values for linear regression models and its application to explainable Al	
	Location: University of Sydney, Australia	
2019	Approximate Bayesian computation using the energy statistic (CDAC Seminar)	
	Location: La Trobe University, Australia	
2018	Optimization theory for statistics and machine learning (4-week course)	
	Location: University of Caen, France	
2018	Minibatch and incremental learning of exponential family mixtures	
	Location: RMIT, Australia	
2018	Minibatch and incremental learning of exponential family mixtures, and the soft k-means clustering problem	1
	Location: Inria Grenoble Rhone-Alpes, France	
2018	The fully-visible Boltzmann machine, maximum pseudolikelihood estimation, and the Senate of the 45th Autralian Parliament (Monash Econometrics and Business Statistics Seminar)	s-
	Location: Monash University, Australia	
2018	A maximum likelihood oddity (Statistics Seminar)	
	Location: La Trobe University, Australia	
2018	MM algorithms for statistical inference and machine learning problems (S4D)	
	Location: University of Caen, France	
2018	Theory of statistical inference: a lazy approach to obtaining asymptotic results in parametric models (S4D)	1
	Location: University of Caen, France	
2017	False discovery rate control under rounding of p-values	
	Location: Centre de Reserche de l'Institut Universitaire de Geriatrie de Montreal, Canada	
2017	The Stone-Weierstrass theorem and neural networks (Kyushu-Latrobe Joint Seminar)	
	Location: La Trobe University, Australia	
2017	False discovery rate control under rounding of p-values	
	Location: Inria Grenoble Rhone-Alpes, France	
2017	Majorization—minimization (MM) algorithms for statistical inference and machine learning problems (Researd Summer School in Statistics and Big Data Science)	h
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	Location:	University of Caen, France				
2017		and-averaged estimators for statistically embarrassingly parallel computation and online learning on Big Data Analysis)				
	Location:	La Trobe University, Australia				
2016	Whole-vol	ume clustering of calcium imaged zebrafish brains via model-based functional data analysis				
	Location:	La Trobe University, Australia				
2016	A novel ap Series)	oproach to clustering time series data in large spatial arrays (Centre for Advanced Imaging Seminar				
	Location:	University of Queensland, Australia				
2016		sed methods for clustering of spatial time series data (3-day Invited Workshop for the School of Comnce and Software Engineering)				
	Location:	University of Western Australia, Australia				
2015	Finite mix	ture models and false discovery rate control in MRI studies (Mouse Imaging Research Centre)				
	Location:	Toronto Centre for Phenogenomics, Canada				
2015		ture models and false discovery rate control in MRI studies (Feindel Brain Imaging Lecture Series at mell Brain Imaging Centre)				
	Location:	McGill University, Canada				
2013	Spatial fal	Spatial false discovery rate control for magnetic resonance imaging studies (Neuroimaging and Brain Lab)				
	Location:	Australian National University, Australia				
2010	The begin and Physic	ner's guide to genetic algorithms (General Interest/Lay Audience Seminar at the School of Mathematics es)				
	Location:	University of Queensland, Australia				
	PROFESSIONA	AL SERVICE				
2020–	Mathematics, Statistics, and Data Science Majors Course Advisor					
	Bachelor o	f Science Program, College of Science, Health and Engineering				
	Institution:	La Trobe University, Australia				
2020-	Elected M	ember of the Academic Board				

Levels C/D Representative

Institution: La Trobe University, Australia

2018-**PhD Confirmations Committee Chair**

Department of Mathematics and Statistics

Institution: La Trobe University, Australia

2017-**Masters Theses Committee Member**

Department of Mathematics and Statistics

Institution: La Trobe University, Australia

2017, 2018 Statistics Seminar Administrator

Department of Mathematics and Statistics

Institution: La Trobe University, Australia

2016 **PhD Confirmation Committee Member** School of Mathematics and Physics

Institution: University of Queensland, Australia

2015 **Promotion Application Assessor**

School of Mathematics and Physics

Institution: University of Queensland, Australia

2012, 2013 Interview Panel Member for Statistics Lecturer Positions

School of Mathematics and Physics

Institution: University of Queensland, Australia

2012, 2013 Treasurer

Mathematics Students Society

Institution: University of Queensland, Australia

2011-2013 First-Year Learning Centre Tutor

School of Mathematics and Physics

Institution: University of Queensland, Australia

ACADEMIC SERVICE _

Grant Assessor

2020- Future Fellowships

Australian Research Council, Australia

2020 Laureate Fellowships

Australian Research Council, Australia

2018, 2019 Linkage Projects

Australian Research Council, Australia

2018 Internal Research Funds

Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, Italy

2017- **Discovery Projects**

Australian Research Council, Australia

2017- Discovery Early Career Research Awards

Australian Research Council, Australia

Editorial Positions

2019- Associate and Handling Editor (Statistical Computing)

Australian and New Zealand Journal of Statistics (Wiley)

2018- **Technical Editor**

Australian and New Zealand Journal of Statistics (Wiley)

Conference Commitments

2020 Program Committee Member

18th Australasian Data Mining Conference (AusDM), Canberra Australia

2019 Workshop Co-chair

Research School in Statistics and Data Science (RSSDS), Melbourne Australia

2019 **Program Committee Member**

17th Australasian Data Mining Conference (AusDM), Adelaide Australia

2018 Program Committee Member and Tract Chair (Statistics in Data Science)

16th Australasian Data Mining Conference (AusDM), Bathurst Australia

2018 **Program Committee Member**

Research Summer School on Statistics for Data Science (S4D)

2018 Program Committee Member (Applications and Technologies in Big Data)

2nd International Conference on Smart Grid Assisted Internet of Things (SGIoT)

Peer Review

- Advances in Data Analysis and Classification (Springer)
- Applied Mathematical Modelling (Elsevier)
- Annals of Applied Statistics (Project Euclid)
- Australasian Journal of Information Systems (Australian Computer Society)
- Australian and New Zealand Journal of Statistics (Wiley)
- BMC Bioinformatics (BioMed Central)
- Computational Statistics (Springer)
- Computational Statistics and Data Analysis (Elsevier)

- Communications in Statistics Simulation and Computation (Taylor Francis)
- Electronic Journal of Statistics (Project Euclid)
- IEEE Transactions on Fuzzy Systems (IEEE)
- IEEE Transactions on Image Processing (IEEE)
- IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging (IEEE)
- Information Sciences (Elsevier)
- International Journal of Computers and Applications (Taylor Francis)
- International Journal of Forecasting (Elsevier)
- International Journal of Machine Intelligence and Sensory Signal Processing (Inderscience)
- Journal of the American Statistical Association (Taylor Francis)
- Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics (Taylor Francis)
- Journal of Open Source Software (Open Source Initiative)
- Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation (Taylor Francis)
- Journal of Statistical Planning and Inference (Elsevier)
- Knowledge-Based Systems (Elsevier)
- Royal Society Open Science (Royal Society)
- Statistical Modelling: An International Journal (SAGE)
- Statistical Analysis and Data Mining (Wiley)
- Statistics Surveys (Project Euclid)
- Statistics and Computing (Springer)
- Statistics in Medicine (Wiley)
- WIREs: Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery (Wiley)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2020- Statistical Society of Australia (Victoria Branch, Council Member)

2019 Statistical Society of Australia (Victoria Branch, Guest Council Member)

2018– Australian-French Association for Research and Innovation (AFRAN)