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### EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania

Ph.D. in Statistics, Advisor: T. Tony Cai

Philadelphia, USA 2017–Current

Peking University

B.S. in Statistics

Beijing, China 2013–2017

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- [1] T. T. Cai and **H. Wei**, "Distributed nonparametric regression: Optimal rate of convergence and cost of adaptation", *The Annals of Statistics, to appear*, 2021.
- [2] T. T. Cai and **H. Wei**, "Transfer learning for nonparametric classification: Minimax rate and adaptive classifier", *The Annals of Statistics*, vol. 49, no. 1, pp. 100–128, 2021.
- [3] T. T. Cai and **H. Wei**, "Distributed adaptive gaussian mean estimation with unknown variance: Interactive protocol helps adaptation", Submitted to The Annals of Statistics, 2021.
- [4] **H. Wei** and J. Jia, "Inference of evolutionary modules by low rank matrix decomposition", Submitted to Bioinformatics, 2021.
- [5] T. T. Cai and **H. Wei**, "Distributed gaussian mean estimation under communication constraints: Optimal rates and communication-efficient algorithms", Submitted to Journal of Machine Learning Research, 2020.

#### TALKS

- 1. Distributed gaussian mean estimation under communication constraints: Optimal rates and communication-efficient algorithms, JSM 2020
- 2. Distributed estimation under communication constraints,  $Grace\ Wahba's\ meeting,\ University\ of\ Wisconsin-Madison,\ 2020$

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

• Probability, Head Teaching Assistant	Spring 2018
• Statistical Computing with R, Head Teaching Assistant	Fall 2018, Spring 2019
• Predictive Analytics for Business, Head Teaching Assistant	Fall 2018
• Introduction to Python for Data Science, Head Teaching Assistant	Fall 2020, Spring 2021
• Introduction to Business Statistics, Head Teaching Assistant	Fall 2021

#### SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

• Silver Medalist (U25) in World Youth Bridge Championship	2016
• National Scholarship	2016
• World Champion in Pairs and Teams Events (U20) in World Youth Open Bridge Championships	2015
• Gold Medal in Romanian Master of Mathematics Competition	2012