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EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania

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

Philadelphia, USA 2017–Current

Beijing, China

2013-2017

Peking University

B.S. in Statistics

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] T. T. Cai and **H. Wei**, "Distributed adaptive Gaussian mean estimation with unknown variance: Interactive protocol helps adaptation", *The Annals of Statistics, to appear*, 2021.
- [2] T. T. Cai and **H. Wei**, "Distributed nonparametric regression: Optimal rate of convergence and cost of adaptation", *The Annals of Statistics, to appear*, 2021.
- [3] 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.
- [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.

Working Papers

- 1. T. T. Cai and **H.Wei**, "Distributed Sparse Gaussian Sequence Detection and Classification: Phase Transition and Cost of Adaptation".
- 2. T. T. Cai and H.Wei, "Transfer Learning for low rank matrices".
- 3. T. T. Cai and H.Wei, "Optimal Crowdsourcing with low-rank matrix approximation".

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

ullet 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