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## Education

Ph.D. Statistics, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH Aug. 2016 - Aug. 2021

Advisors: Oksana Chkrebtii and Sebastian Kurtek

Dissertation: Bayesian Frameworks for Simultaneous Estimation, Registration, and Inference for Functions and Planar Curves

M.S. Statistics, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH Aug. 2016 - Dec. 2018

B.S. Mathematics, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA Aug. 2012 - May 2016

Honors: *summa cum laude*

## Academic Experience

### Duke University, Durham, NC

Postdoctoral Associate Aug. 2021 - Present

Advisors: David Dunson and Amy Herring

Data+ Project Manager May 2022 - Jul. 2022

### The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

Graduate Research Associate, Department of Statistics Jan. 2018 - Aug. 2021

Graduate Teaching Associate, Department of Statistics Aug. 2017 - May 2020

- Recitation leader for STAT 4201: *Introduction to Mathematical Statistics* (Autumn 2017, 140 students)

- Instructor for STAT 3303: *Bayesian Analysis and Statistical Decision Making* (Spring 2020, 50 Students students)

Consultant, Department of Statistics, Statistical Consulting Service Aug. 2018 - Dec. 2018

University Fellow, Department of Statistics Aug. 2016 - Aug. 2017

### Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA

Undergraduate Research Assistant, Department of Mathematics Jan. 2015 - May 2016

# Publications

## Peer-Reviewed Publications

6. **Matuk, J.**, and Guo, X. *Shape-Restricted Estimation and Spatial Clustering of COVID-19 Infection Rate Curves*, Spatial Statistics, 2022.
5. **Matuk, J.**, Bharath, K., Chkrebtii, O., and Kurtek, S. *Bayesian Framework for Simultaneous Registration and Estimation of Noisy, Sparse and Fragmented Functional Data*, Journal of the American Statistical Association, 2021.
4. **Matuk, J.**, Bharath, K., Chkrebtii, O., and Kurtek, S. *Geometric Empirical Bayesian Model for Classification of Functional Data under Diverse Sampling Regimes*, IEEE/CVF Conference of Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Workshops, 2021.
3. **Matuk, J.**, Herbei, R., and Kurtek, S. *Bayesian Registration of Functions*, Wiley StatsRef, 2021.
2. **Matuk, J.**, Chkrebtii, O., and Niezgoda, S. *Bayesian Inference for Polycrystalline Materials*, Stat, 2020.
1. **Matuk, J.**, Chkrebtii, O., and Kurtek, S. *Estimation of Sparsely Observed Signals with an Empirical Bayesian Model*, Conference proceedings of the Asilomar Conference on Signals, Systems, and Computers, 2019.

## Book Chapters

1. **Matuk, J.**, Mohammed, S., Kurtek, S., and Bharath, K. *Biomedical Applications of Geometric Functional Data Analysis*. In Grohs, P., Holler, M., and Weinmann, A. (editors), *Handbook of Variational Methods for Nonlinear Geometric Data*, Springer, 2019.

## Pre-Prints

2. **Matuk, J.**, Herring, A. H., and Dunson, D. B. *Bayesian Functional Principal Component Analysis using Relaxed Mutually Orthogonal Processes*, arxiv.org:2205.12361, 2022+.
1. **Matuk, J.**, Kurtek, S., and Bharath, K. *Topological Data Analysis through Aligment of Persistence Landscapes*, arXiv:2106.15436, 2021+.

## Awards

8. *Craig Cooley Memorial Prize*, Department of Statistics, The Ohio State University, Apr. 2021.

7. *Student & Early Career Funding Award*, Symposium on Data Science and Statistics, Jun. 2020.
6. *Hannan Graduate Student Travel Award*, Institute of Mathematical Statistics, Apr. 2020.
5. *Third Place Prize for Best Oral Presentation in Mathematical & Physical Sciences* for the presentation *Bayesian Framework for Simultaneous Registration and Estimation of Noisy, Sparse and Fragmented Functional Data* at the Edward F. Hayes Graduate Research Forum, The Ohio State University, Mar. 2020.
4. *2020 ASA Statistics in Imaging Student Paper Competition Runner-up Award* for the paper *Bayesian Framework for Simultaneous Registration and Estimation of Noisy, Sparse and Fragmented Functional Data*, Jan. 2020.
3. *Student Paper Contest Finalist* for the paper *Estimation of Sparsely Observed Signals with an Empirical Bayesian Model* at the Asilomar Conference on Signals, Systems, and Computers, Nov. 2019.
2. *Award for Outstanding Research Associate*, Department of Statistics, The Ohio State University, Apr. 2018.
1. *Chuck Loch Memorial Award for Excellence in Mathematics*, Department of Mathematics, Duquesne University, Apr. 2016.

## Presentations

### Talks

13. *Bayesian Functional Principal Component Analysis using Relaxed Mutually Orthogonal Processes*,
  - International Society of Bayesian Analysis World Meeting, Montreal, CA, Jul. 2022.
  - Joint Statistical Meeting, Washington D.C., Aug. 2022.
12. *Topological Data Analysis through Alignment of Persistence Landscapes*. Geometry and Topology meet Data Analysis and Machine Learning (virtual), Jul. 2021.
11. *Bayesian Framework for Simultaneous Registration and Estimation of Noisy, Sparse and Fragmented Functional Data*,
  - Eastern North American Region of the International Biometric Society Spring Meeting (virtual), Mar. 2021.
  - Joint Statistical Meetings (virtual), Aug. 2020.
  - Edward F. Hayes Graduate Research Forum, The Ohio State University, Mar. 2020.

10. *Shape Based Classification of Curves*, Invited Talk, Duquesne University (virtual), Mar. 2021.
9. *A Bayesian Model for Incomplete Closed Curves*, The Ohio State University's Statistics Department Student Seminar (virtual), Oct. 2020.
8. *Bayesian Inference for Polycrystalline Materials*, Symposium on Data Science and Statistics (virtual), Jun. 2020.
7. *Functional and Shape Data Analysis*, Invited Talk, Duquesne University, Mar. 2019.
6. *Bayesian Inference for Material Texture*, Electron Backscatter Diffraction Topical Conference, University of Michigan, May 2018.
5. *Bayesian Calibration of Inexact Computer Models*, Research Group in Design of Physical and Computer Experiments, The Ohio State University, Mar. 2018.
4. *The Curvature Noise Distribution and Applications*,
  - Joint Mathematics Meetings in Seattle, WA, Jan. 2016.
  - Bowling Green State University, Nov. 2015.
3. *Curvature Noise vs. Image Noise*, Mathematical Association of America Mathfest, Washington D.C., Aug. 2015.
2. *A Non-local approach for Denoising Image Data*, Mathematical Association of America regional meeting, Washington and Jefferson College, Apr. 2015.
1. *A Study of the Buades, Coll, and Morel Non-local Means Algorithm*, Pi Mu Epsilon regional meeting, Youngstown State University, Mar. 2015.

## Posters

7. *Geometric empirical Bayesian model for classification of functional data under diverse sampling regimes*, 6<sup>th</sup> IEEE CVPR International Workshop on Differential Geometry in Computer Vision and Machine Learning (virtual), Jun. 2021.
6. *Shape-Restricted Estimation and Clustering for COVID-19 Infection Rate Curves*, Center for Clinical and Translational Science Annual Meeting (virtual), The Ohio State University, Jan. 2021.
5. *Estimation of Sparsely Observed Signals with an Empirical Bayesian Model*
  - Center for Clinical and Translational Science Annual Meeting, The Ohio State University, Dec. 2019.
  - Asilomar Conference on Signals, Systems, and Computers, Nov. 2019.
  - International Conference on Statistical Distributions and Applications, Grand Rapids, MI, Nov. 2019.

4. *Function Estimation Through Phase and Amplitude Separation*, Joint Statistical Meetings, Denver, CO, Aug. 2019.
3. *Functional Principal Component Analysis of Phase and Amplitude Variability*, Statistics and Biostatistics Graduate Student Poster Session, The Ohio State University, Sep. 2017.
2. *Curvature Noise vs. Image Noise*, Summer Undergraduate Research Program, Duquesne University, Jul. 2015.
1. *A Non-Local Approach for Denoising Image Curvature Data*, Duquesne University Undergraduate Research and Scholarship Symposium, Apr. 2015.

## Software

Proficient:  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , MATLAB, R

Competent: C++, JMP, Python, SPSS

## Editorial Activities

Peer Reviewer

Annals of Applied Statistics

Biostatistics

Journal of Data Science

Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Series C

## Service Activities

Session Chair

International Society for Bayesian Analysis 2022 World Meeting

Session: Recent applications of scalable Bayesian inference using stochastic gradient MCMC

American Statistical Association's DataFest at The Ohio State University

Mentor at Duke University, 2022

Mentor at The Ohio State University, 2017 & 2018

Duke Datathon

Mentor, 2021

Statistics and Biostatistics Graduate Student Association at The Ohio State University

President, 2019-2020 Academic Year

Ohio State Science Fair

Judge, 2017

Pi Mu Epsilon (U.S. Mathematics Honors Society), Duquesne University Chapter

President, 2015-2016 Academic Year

Vice President, 2014-2015 Academic Year

## **Membership**

American Statistical Association

Sections: Bayesian Statistical Science, Statistics in Imaging

Eastern North American Region of the International Biometric Society

Institute of Mathematical Statistics

Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics