# Yujie (Jeffrey) Jiang

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## **Education**

Rice University Houston, TX

Ph.D. in Statistics, GPA: 3.93/4.0

Aug 2018 - May 2024 (Expected)

o American Statistical Association (ASA) Student Paper Award (2021)

o Ken Kennedy Institute Computational Science and Engineering Fellowship (2018)

Wake Forest University
B.S. in Computer Science and B.S in Mathematical Statistics, with honor

Winston-Salem, NC Aug 2014 – May 2018

o Graduation Honor: Magna Cum Laude

- o Atlantic Coast Conference Inter-Institutional Academic Collaborative (ACCIAC) Fellowship (2017)
- o Pi Mu Epsilon honorary society & Upsilon Pi Epsilon honorary society (2017)
- o Wake Forest Research Fellowship (2016)
- o Dean's List every semester
- o Second violin in Wake Forest University Symphony Orchestra

## Skills

**Programming Languages**: Python, R, MATLAB, C/C++, SQL, JAVA, JavaScript, HTML

Framework & Tools: Git, Pandas, Numpy, Scikit-Learn, TensorFlow, LaTeX, Linux, BioRender, Bioconductor Research Focuses: Biostatistics, High-Dimensional Data Analysis, Optimization, Tensor Decomposition

# **Professional Experience**

Sanofi U.S Bridgewater, NJ

Statistician Intern May 2023 – Aug 2023

- o Built a Bayesian analysis software that evaluates statistical power of clinical trial outcomes, estimates assurance in proposed trials, and optimizes phase 2 & 3 study designs, thereby facilitating decision-making process in drug development cycle.
- o Designed comprehensive testing protocols and simulated real-world scenarios to ensure software accuracy and reliability.
- o Wrote core functions in R that contribute to the software's feature development and drafted materials for dissemination.

## Quantlab Financial, LLC

Houston, TX

Quantitative Research Intern

Jun 2020 - Aug 2020

- o Implemented decision trees and long short-term memory (LSTM) neural network models in alpha research, leveraging vast trading data to drive insights and facilitate data-driven decision-making.
- o Experimented pairs trading strategies with cointegration and stochastic-based optimal entry/exit model, back-tested those signals and demonstrated 4 out of 21 with out-of-sample Sharpe ratio > 2 and annual return > 30%.
- Created and optimized core functions that extract valuable insights and perform statistical analysis on trading records using a proprietary programming language.

## Wake Forest Demon Deacons Women's Basketball

Winston-Salem, NC Sep 2016 - Sep 2017

Basketball Statistical Analyst

o Assisted in designing data strategy and supporting in-game analysis as well as player development.

- o Restructured and maintained the statistical database for the team; constructed data analysis and calculated advanced metrics.
- o Generated scouting reports to help game preparation and presented statistical analysis before each game.

# Research Experience

#### Statistical Bioinformatics Lab, University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

Houston, TX

Research Assistant

Jan 2020 - present

- o Developing and applying computational methods to study the evolution of the human genome as well as the cancer genome.
- o Proposing new methodologies and corresponding algorithms for large-scale complex data analysis on subclonal reconstruction.
- o Advancing methodology ideas and efficient software that accurately analyze high-throughput genomic data.

## Genevera Allen's Statistical Learning Group, Rice University

Houston, TX

Research Assistant

Jun 2018 - Dec 2019

o Constructed a new extension of the decomposition model that is specifically focused on modeling semi-symmetric tensors, and have them implemented to MRI & neuroimaging studies.

Research Assistant

Sep 2016 - May 2018

- o Conducted exploratory research on high-performance tensor computations, delivering weekly presentations with a specific focus on low-rank approximation topics.
- o Developed efficient algorithms for dense canonical polyadic tensor decomposition, and implemented in both C and MATLAB.

# Other Projects

#### Biological Data Analysis: Annotation and Interpretation of High-throughput Sequencing Data

Fall 2022

- o Analyzed single-cell RNAseq data of wild-type & chronic kidney disease mice to identify potential cellular & molecular etiology.
- o Investigated whole exome sequencing data from 100 sudden cardiac death families to identify de novo diseases-causing variants.
- o Tracked the evolution trajectory from papillary thyroid cancer to anaplastic thyroid cancer using subclonal reconstruction and mutation timing technique, on over 550 whole genome and whole exome sequencing samples.

#### Tensor Analysis: Supervised Tensor Decomposition for Semi-symmetric Tensors

Summer 2019

- o Explored the underlying relationship among PCA, CCA, and PLS, especially on high order spaces.
- o Proposed general optimization formulation that expresses both tensor CCA and tensor PLS methods.
- o Present one tensor CCA algorithm and two tensor PLS algorithms for modeling semi-symmetric tensors in real-world problems.

## Web Development: Bike Sharing at Wake Forest University

Spring 2017

- o Led a team of 4 members to initiate and deliver a full-stack web service for the university's bike sharing program.
- o Built features including registration, database management, and bike reservation & return by JavaScript, HTML, and SQL.
- o Engineered under test-driven methodologies, and kept regular communication with clients to ensure user needs were fulfilled.

## **Publications**

- [1] C. Zheng, Y. Wei, ..., Y. Jiang et al., "Multiomics analyses reveal DARS1-AS1/YBX1-controlled post-transcriptional circuits promoting glioblastoma tumorigenesis/radioresistance," *Science Advance*, 2023.
- [2] S. Guo, Y. Dong, C. Wang, Y. Jiang, R. Xiang, L. Liu, H. Luo, and L. Fan, "Integrative analysis reveals the recurrent genetic etiologies in idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis," *Under review*, 2023.
- [3] A. Maniakas, Y. C. Henderson, H. Hei, S. Peng, Y. Chen, Y. Jiang, S. Ji, M. Cardenas et al., "Novel anaplastic thyroid cancer PDXs and cell lines: Expanding preclinical models of genetic diversity," The Journal of Clinical Endocrinology & Metabolism, 2021.
- [4] Y. Jiang, K. Yu, S. Ji, S. J. Shin, S. Cao, M. D. Montierth, L. Huang, S. Kopetz, P. Msaouel *et al.*, "CliP: subclonal architecture reconstruction of cancer cells in dna sequencing data using a penalized likelihood model," *bioRxiv*, 2021.
- [5] K. Hayashi, G. Ballard, Y. Jiang, and M. J. Tobia, "Shared-memory parallelization of MTTKRP for dense tensors," in *Proceedings of the 23rd ACM SIGPLAN Symposium on Principles and Practice of Parallel Programming*, 2018.
- [6] **Y. Jiang** and R. Plemmons, "Blind hyperspectral unmixing through low-rank matrix and tensor approximation," *Submitted as the honor thesis to the Department of Mathematics & Statistics, Wake Forest University*, 2018.
- [7] Y. Jiang, K. Yu, M. D. Montierth, S. Ji, S. J. Shin, S. Guo, S. Cao, S. Kopetz, P. Msaouel *et al.*, "Pan-cancer analysis of 7,711 cancers in the extent and impact of intratumor heterogeneity using a regularized likelihood model," *Under preparation*, 2023.
- [8] S. Guo, X. Cheng, **Y. Jiang**, X. Liu, S. Ji *et al.*, "DeMixSC: a pseudo-bulk based gene selection method for bulk transcriptomics deconvolution," *Under preparation*, 2023.
- [9] Y. Dong, S. Guo, **Y. Jiang**, H. Huang, R. Du *et al.*, "Single-cell analysis reveals the molecular mechanism of *Rtn3*-null induced renal fibrosis." *Under preparation*, 2023.

# **Selected Presentations**

- o Tracking pan-cancer genomic evolution using a regularized likelihood model, ENAR, 2023
- o Tracking cancer evolution with whole-genome and whole-exome sequencing using reconstructed subclonal architecture, 26th International Conference on Research in Computational Molecular Biology (RECOMB), 2022
- CliP: A model-based method for subclonal architecture reconstruction using regularized maximum likelihood estimation, Joint Statistical Meeting (JSM), 2021
- o CliP: A model-based method for subclonal architecture reconstruction using regularized maximum likelihood estimation, American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) Annual Meeting, 2020
- o Algorithmic Optimization for Dense Tensor Decomposition, Wake Forest Undergraduate Research Day, 2017
- o Binary Sequences with Structural Delays, Mathematical Association of America MathFest Annual Conference, 2016