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Languages: Portuguese (Native), English (Fluent), Spanish (Conversational)

#### Research Interests

Spatial and spatiotemporal statistics  $\cdot$  Data fusion  $\cdot$  Bayesian inference  $\cdot$  Computational statistics  $\cdot$  Environmental statistics  $\cdot$  Species distribution modeling

#### APPOINTMENTS

#### Postdoctoral Researcher

Jun 2024-Present

Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, UC Santa Cruz

Santa Cruz, CA

• Analyzing climate-driven range shifts in species distributions using process-based models.

### EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Statistics

University of Connecticut

Storrs, CT

• Dissertation: Hausdorff-Gaussian Process with Spatial and Spatiotemporal Applications

• Advisor: Prof. Jun Yan

M.Sc. in Statistics 2023

University of Connecticut

Storrs, CT

• Advisor: Prof. Jun Yan

Master in Statistics 2019

Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais

Belo Horizonte, Brazil

• Thesis: Testing Spatial Association Between Two Types of Polygons

Advisor: Prof. Renato Assunção

B.S. in Statistics 2016

Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul

Porto Alegre, Brazil

• Thesis: Introduction to Geostatistical Modeling for Counting Data: Parameter Estimation with Different MCMC Algorithms

# AWARDS AND HONORS

• Honorable Mention, Student Paper Competition, ASA ENVR Section	2024
• Summer Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, University of Connecticut	2023
• Travel Award, EnviBayes Workshop, Colorado State University	2023
• Teaching Award, Department of Statistics, University of Connecticut	2022
• Travel Award, ISBA World Meeting	2022
• Honorable Mention, 1st Shiny Contest, RStudio	2019
• Best Paper Award, 1st Conference on Statistics and Data Science (CSDS)	2018
• Winner, 1st CEPESP Data Challenge	2017

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### Articles under review

- [1] R. M. Assunção and L. d. C. Godoy, "Testing independence of spatial point processes in irregular polygonal domains," *Spatial Statistics*, 2025.
- [2] A. Fredston, D. Ovando, L. d. C. Godoy, J. Kong, B. Muffley, J. T. Thorson, and M. Pinsky, "Dynamic range models improve the near-term forecast for a marine species on the move," *Ecology Letters*, 2025. DOI: 10.32942/X24D00. EcoEvoRxiv: 2208.07900 (Ecology and Evolutionary Biology). [Online]. Available: https://ecoevorxiv.org/repository/view/8863/.
- [3] **L. d. C. Godoy**, A. Fredston, M. Morales, R. M. W. J. Bandara, and M. L. Pinsky, "drmr: A Bayesian approach to Dynamic Range Models in R," *DOUBLE-BLIND REVIEW*, 2025.
- [4] L. d. C. Godoy, G. J. Matthews, and J. Yan, "A review of competitive structure analytics in sports," *International Statistical Review*, 2025.
- [5] L. d. C. Godoy, M. O. Prates, and J. Yan, "Voronoi linkage between mismatching voting stations and census tracts in analyzing the 2018 Brazilian presidential election data," *Spatial Statistics*, 2025.
- [6] S. S. Pandya, L. d. C. Godoy, C. S. Alexander, D. Schneider, and K. Harknett, "Using worker surveys to detect labor standards non-compliance," *Statistics and Public Policy*, Mar. 2025.
- [7] L. d. C. Godoy, M. O. Prates, and J. Yan, "Statistical inferences and predictions for areal data and spatial data fusion with Hausdorff-Gaussian processes," *Journal of Agricultural Biological and Environmental Statistics*, 2024. DOI: 10.48550/arXiv.2208.07900. arXiv: 2208.07900 [stat.ME]. [Online]. Available: https://arxiv.org/abs/2208.07900.

# Peer-Reviewed Articles-Methodology

- [8] L. Michelin, L. d. C. Godoy, H. S. Ramos, and M. O. Prates, "Fast mixture spatial regression: A mixture in the geographical and feature space applied to predict porosity in the Post-salt," *Spatial Statistics*, vol. 65, p. 100873, 2025, ISSN: 2211-6753. DOI: 10.1016/j.spasta. 2024.100873. [Online]. Available: https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S2211675324000642.
- [9] L. d. C. Godoy, R. M. Assunção, and K. A. Butler, "Testing the spatial association of different types of polygons," *Spatial Statistics*, vol. 51, p. 100695, 2022, ISSN: 2211-6753. DOI: 10.1016/j.spasta.2022.100695. [Online]. Available: https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S2211675322000562.
- [10] M. O. Prates, D. R. M. Azevedo, **L. d. C. Godoy**, and D. Bandyopadhyay, "Can Gaussian Markov random fields handle spatial confounding?" *Journal of the Indian Statistical Association*, vol. 59, no. 2, pp. 197–220, 2021. [Online]. Available: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1rmxyH\_7IDp8KFtIGxb6Jw\_auNNbMKB3A/view.

#### Pre-Print Articles and Software

- [11] **L. d. C. Godoy**, smile: Spatial misalignment, interpolation, linkage, and estimation, R package version 1.1.0, 2025. DOI: 10.32614/CRAN.package.smile. [Online]. Available: https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=smile.
- [12] **L. d. C. Godoy**, M. Prates, and F. Quintana, *A note on defining positive definite functions*, 2025. arXiv: 2502.15146 [stat.ME]. [Online]. Available: https://arxiv.org/abs/2502.15146.
- [13] G. G. Hernández, J. R. Seemann, **L. d. C. Godoy**, M. Slot, and C. García-Robledo, Heat tolerance of tropical herbaceous plants increases with elevation, 2025. DOI: 10.1101/2025. 03.12.642681. bioRXiv: https://www.biorxiv.org/content/early/2025/03/14/2025.03.

- 12.642681.full.pdf. [Online]. Available: https://www.biorxiv.org/content/early/2025/03/14/2025.03.12.642681.
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# Peer-Reviewed Articles-Applications

- [15] S. Abu-Arqub, A. Hariharan, S. Banankhah, L. d. C. Godoy, P. Liu, C. Kuo, and F. Uribe, "Accuracy of full arch scans using the itero element 2® intra-oral scanner: A clinical study," *Journal of Orthodontics*, vol. 52, no. 2, pp. 142–149, 2025, PMID: 39135489. DOI: 10.1177/14653125241268755. eprint: https://doi.org/10.1177/14653125241268755. [Online]. Available: https://doi.org/10.1177/14653125241268755.
- [16] K. L. Moriarty, K. Manfredi, P. Carrel, E. Kryzanski, D. A. Schwartz, L. d. C. Godoy, C. Kuo, and A. Shields, "Findings of reduced head circumference with COVID-19 infection in the third trimester: A retrospective cohort study," *Biomedicines*, vol. 13, no. 4, 2025, ISSN: 2227-9059. DOI: 10.3390/biomedicines13040832. [Online]. Available: https://www.mdpi.com/2227-9059/13/4/832.
- [17] I. M. Al-Naggar, M. Antony, D. Baker, L. Wang, **L. d. C. Godoy**, C. Kuo, M. O. Fraser, P. P. Smith, M. Xu, and G. A. Kuchel, "Polyploid superficial uroepithelial bladder barrier cells express features of cellular senescence across the lifespan and are insensitive to senolytics," *Aging Cell*, vol. 24, no. 2, e14399, 2025, e14399 ACE-23-0923.R2. DOI: 10.1111/acel.14399. eprint: https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/pdf/10.1111/acel.14399. [Online]. Available: https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1111/acel.14399.
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## PRESENTATIONS

#### **Invited Talks**

Aug 2025 "On spatial statistics and sets", PUC, Santiago, Chile

Mar 2025 "Statistical Inferences and Predictions for Areal Data and Spatial Data Fusion with Hausdorff-Gaussian Processes", UCSF, San Francisco-CA, USA

Nov 2024 "Statistical Inferences and Predictions for Areal Data and Spatial Data Fusion with Hausdorff-Gaussian Processes", UFRGS, Porto Alegre-RS, Brazil

Oct 2025 "Statistical Inferences and Predictions for Areal Data and Spatial Data Fusion with Hausdorff-Gaussian Processes", UCSC, Santa Cruz-CA, USA

Sep 2024 "Process-based species distribution models for improving predictive performance of climate-driven range shifts", Stockholm Resilience Centre, Sweden

Nov 2018 "Web Scraping, Web Services & APIs",  $1^{\rm st}$  Datathon–Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul, Porto Alegre-RS, Brazil

Aug 2018 "Analyzing Brazilian public data", Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais, Belo Horizonte-MG, Brazil

## Contributed Talks and Posters

Aug 2025 "drmr: A Bayesian approach to Dynamic Range Models in R", ESA 2025, Baltimore, MD (Talk)

Aug 2024 "From Point to Polygon: A Unified Framework for Modeling Spatial Dependence", JSM

2024, Portland, OR (Talk)

May 2024 "Beyond Traditional Disease Mapping: Spatiotemporal Analysis of Tuberculosis", 37th NESS, Storrs, CT (Talk)

Sep 2023 "Hausdorff–Gaussian Process: Unifying Spatial Data Analysis", EnviBayes Workshop, Fort Collins, CO (Poster)

Jun 2022 "An Unified Framework for Point-Level, Areal, and Mixed Spatial Data", ISBA World Meeting, Montreal, CA (Talk)

May 2022 "Model-Based Voronoi Linkage for Spatial Analysis", 35th NESS, Storrs, CT (Talk)

Oct 2021 "Spatially Misaligned Data: An Application to the 2018 Brazilian Election", 34th NESS, Storrs, CT (Poster)

Oct 2020 "Automatic Team Selection in a Fantasy Football Game", 2nd UCSAS, Storrs, CT (Poster)

Oct 2019 "Bayesian Hierarchical Models Applied to Fantasy Games", 1st UCSAS, Storrs, CT (Poster)

Nov 2018 "Voronoi Data Linkage: Extracting Data from Polygons to Points", 1st CSDS, Salvador, Brazil (Talk)

May 2018 "Voronoi Cells: Visualizing Intramunicipality Votes Distribution", 63rd RBRAS, Curitiba, Brazil (Talk)

Mar 2018 "A Bayesian Mixture Model for Player Performance in Fantasy Games", XIV EBEB, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (Poster)

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

## Principal Instructor

Spring 2021–Spring 2022

University of Connecticut

Storrs, CT

• STAT 3445: Introduction to Mathematical Statistics II

# Teaching Assistant

Fall 2019–Fall 2020

University of Connecticut

Storrs, CT

- STAT 3445: Introduction to Mathematical Statistics II
- STAT 1000Q: Introduction to Statistics I

Lecturer Spring 2019

Uniritter Porto Alegre, Brazil

Taught a professional development course on Data Analysis with R for graduate students.

#### MENTORING EXPERIENCE

# Co-Leader & Mentor, EEB Statistics Support Group

2024 - 2025

University of California Santa Cruz

Santa Cruz, CA

- Co-led a weekly statistical support group for graduate students and postdocs in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology.
- Mentored peers on data analysis challenges and the application of advanced statistical methods to their research.
- Developed and presented hands-on tutorials and coding exercises, available on the group's GitHub.

## Organizer & Instructor, Student Workshop Series on Computing

2024

University of Connecticut, Department of Statistics

Storrs, CT

- Designed and instructed a weekly workshop series for doctoral students on computational statistics and high-performance computing.
- Mentored junior graduate students in creating professional academic websites; workshop materials are available online.

Group Coordinator (2017–2018) & Member (2016–2017), Stats4Good 2016–2018 Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais Belo Horizonte, BR

- Led a pro-bono data science group of graduate students applying statistical methods to address social issues in Brazil.
- Directed two major data analysis projects: one analyzing public expenditures to detect misuse of funds (Veraz), and another modeling crime data to study the under-notification of sexual assault (GESEM).
- Authored and managed the publication of project findings on the group's technical blog.

#### Professional Experience

#### Statistical Consultant

Aug 2023-May 2024

Statistical Consulting Services, University of Connecticut

Storrs, CT

Provided statistical consulting to researchers across various disciplines.

#### Statistical Consultant

Sep 2020–Dec 2023

Biostatistics Center, University of Connecticut Health Center

Farmington, CT

• Provided statistical consulting to researchers in the health sciences.

#### Graduate Assistant

Aug 2022-May 2023

High Performance Computing, University of Connecticut

Storrs, CT

• Supported HPC users, managed software environments, and developed Apptainer/Singularity containers to ensure research reproducibility.

## **Data Scientist**

Dec 2018-June 2019

Agibank

 $Porto\ Alegre,\ Brazil$ 

• Developed and deployed machine learning models for credit risk and debt collection.

# Undergraduate Research Assistant (AMBES-Petrobras Project)

Apr 2015-Dec 2015

Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul

Porto Alegre, Brazil

- Applied geostatistical models to predict the environmental impact of oil platforms' chemical characteristics on the ocean.
- Supervisor: Prof. Fernando Pulgati

#### Undergraduate Research Assistant

May 2011-Dec 2014

Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul

Porto Alegre, Brazil

- Investigated the impact of social inequalities on public health outcomes in Brazil.
- Supervisor: Prof. Sergio Luiz Bassanesi

# Digital Intelligence Analyst

Sep 2016-Mar 2017

 $Grupo\ Conectt$ 

Porto Alegre, Brazil

- Developed monthly interactive reports and dashboards using web data.
- Created predictive models to identify leads with a high probability of conversion.

#### Census Supervisor Agent

Mar 2010–Nov 2010

Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística (IBGE)

Brazil

• Organized, supervised, and monitored field data collection for the 2010 Brazilian National Census.

## SERVICE

# Associate Editor

2025-Present

Journal of Data Science

Referee 2023–Present

Ad-hoc Reviewer for Various Journals

- Biostatistics,
- Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series A,
- International Statistical Review,
- Journal of Data Science,
- Environmetrics,
- Nature Communications

## Cluster Administrator

2020 - 2024

University of Connecticut, Department of Statistics

Storrs, CT

• Management of the R packages and system requirements on the Cluster. Development and maintenance of singularity containers to assure analyses reproducibility.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming: R, Stan, Nimble, Julia, C++, Python, SQL

Tools: Git, Docker, Apptainer/Singularity, SLURM, LaTeX, Quarto, Emacs, Shiny

## References

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