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EDUCATION

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Sept. 2017 - 2023 (expected)

- PhD, Statistics

Columbia University, New York, NY

Sept. 2012 - May 2014

- M.A., Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences

Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA

Sept. 2005 - May 2009

- B.A., Physics, *cum laude*

PUBLICATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED PAPERS

- David E Jones, **Robert N Trangucci**, Yang Chen. Quantifying Observed Prior Impact. *Bayesian Analysis*, 2021. <https://doi.org/10.1214/21-BA1271>
- Kelly Broen, **Robert N Trangucci**, Jon Zelner. Measuring the impact of spatial perturbations on the relationship between data privacy and validity of descriptive statistics. *International journal of health geographics*, 2021. <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12942-020-00256-8>
- Jonathan Auerbach, Christopher Eshleman and **Rob Trangucci**. A hierarchical Bayes approach to adjust for selection bias in before–after analyses of vision zero policies. *Computational Statistics*. 2021. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00180-021-01070-x>
- **Rob Trangucci**, Derek Hansen, Yang Chen. Contributed Discussion on “On a Class of Objective Priors from Scoring Rules (with Discussion)”. *Bayesian Analysis*. Dec. 2020. <https://doi.org/10.1214/19-BA1187>
- Yajuan Si, **Rob Trangucci**, Jonah Sol Gabry, Andrew Gelman. Bayesian hierarchical weighting adjustment and survey inference. *Survey Methodology*. Dec. 2020. <https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/12-001-x/2020002/article/00003-eng.htm>
- Jon Zelner, **Rob Trangucci**, Ramya Naraharisetti, Alex Cao, Ryan Malosh, Kelly Broen, Nina Masters, Paul Delamater. Racial Disparities in Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Mortality Are Driven by Unequal Infection Risks. *Clinical Infectious Diseases*. Nov. 2020. <https://doi.org/10.1093/cid/ciaa1723>
- Qu Cheng, **Robert N Trangucci**, Kristin N Nelson, Wenjiang Fu, Philip A Collender, Jennifer R Head, Christopher M Hoover, Nicholas K Skaff, Ting Li, Xintong Li, Yue You, Liquan Fang, Song Liang, Changhong Yang, Jin’ge He, Jonathan L Zelner, Justin V Remais. Prenatal and early-life exposure to the Great Chinese Famine increased the risk of tuberculosis in adulthood across two generations. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 2020. <https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.2008336117>
- Jesse D. Contreras, **Rob Trangucci**, Eunice E. Felix-Arellano, Sandra Rodríguez-Dozal, Christina Siebe, Horacio Riojas-Rodríguez, Rafael Meza, Jon Zelner, and Joseph N.S. Eisenberg. Modeling Spatial Risk of Diarrheal Disease Associated with Household Proximity to Untreated Wastewater Used for Irrigation in the Mezquital Valley, Mexico. *Environmental Health Perspectives*. Jul. 2020. <https://doi.org/10.1289/EHP6443>
- J Zelner, JG Petrie, **R Trangucci**, ET Martin, AS Monto. Effects of sequential influenza A (H1N1) pdm09 vaccination on antibody waning. *The Journal of infectious diseases*, Feb. 2019. <https://doi.org/10.1093/infdis/jiz055>

WORKING PAPERS

- **R Trangucci**, Y Chen, J Zelner. Modeling rates of disease with missing categorical data. *Submitted*, August 2021.
- **R Trangucci**, Imad Ali, Andrew Gelman, Doug Rivers. Voting patterns in 2016: Exploration using multilevel regression and poststratification (MRP) on pre-election polls *arXiv*, Feb. 2018. <https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.1802.00842>

CONFERENCE PAPERS

- A Gelman, JR Lax, J Phillips, J Gabry, **R Trangucci**. Using Multilevel Regression and Poststratification to Estimate Dynamic Public Opinion. *American Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, August 2018.
- **Trangucci, Rob**. Hierarchical Gaussian processes in Stan. 2017. <http://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.1284293>
- **R Trangucci**. Hierarchical Gaussian Process Inference in Stan. *StanCon*, January 2017
- J Auerbach and **R Trangucci**. Twelve Cities: Causal Inference of Pedestrian Mortality using Stan *StanCon*, January 2017

WORKSHOP PAPERS

- **R Trangucci**, M Betancourt, and A Vehtari. Prior Formulation for Gaussian Process Hyperparameters. *NeurIPS Workshop on Practical Bayesian Nonparametrics*, December 2016.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- **R Trangucci**, J S Gabry, J Zelner. Multilevel modeling and poststratification over time. *In preparation for Multilevel Regression and Poststratification: A Practical Guide and New Developments*, 2022.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Statistical Consultant	Stan Group, New York, NY	Mar. 2016 - Aug. 2017
Data Scientist	iSENTIUM, New York, NY	Aug. 2015 - Feb. 2016
Research Fellow	Columbia University, Stan, New York, NY	Oct. 2014 - July 2015
Applied Statistician	iSENTIUM, New York, NY	Nov. 2013 - Sept. 2014
Analyst	PHOTON Consulting, Boston, MA	May. 2009 - May 2012

SOFTWARE

Stan	Oct. 2014 - Present
• Developer	

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS

MIDAS Network Annual Meeting	May 2021
• Poster Presentation: Joint model for disease mapping with missing categorical covariates	
j-ISBA BAYSM	Nov. 2020
• Presentation: Examining Prior Impact in Classically Unidentifiable Models	
American Statistical Association - Joint Statistical Meetings	Aug. 2020
• Contributed Talk: Measuring cumulative exposure to extensive environmental hazards	
MSSIIS	Mar. 2018
• Poster presentation: Love in the Big Apple: Hierarchical Bayesian Modeling of Online Dating Behavior in Brooklyn	
StanCon	Jan. 2017
• Contributed Talk: Hierarchical Gaussian Process Inference in Stan.	
NeurIPS Workshop on Practical Bayesian Nonparametrics	Dec. 2016
• Poster Presentation: Prior Formulation for Gaussian Process Hyperparameters	
• Tutorial: Supervised Learning with Gaussian Processes in Stan	

TEACHING - SHORT COURSES

Introduction to Bayesian Inference with Stan. With Jonah Gabry and Scott Spencer.	Jun. 2021
Introduction to Bayesian Inference with Stan. With Jonah Gabry and Ben Bales.	Apr. 2020
Introduction to Bayesian Inference with Stan. With Jonah Gabry and Lauren Kennedy.	Aug. 2018
Hierarchical Modeling with Stan.	Aug. 2017
Introduction to Bayesian Inference with Stan. With Jonah Gabry and Andrew Gelman.	Jan. 2017

TEACHING - GRADUATE INSTRUCTOR

Grader, Office Hours Master's Level Bayesian Inference	Jan. 2019 - May 2019
Lab Instructor Grader, Office Hours Undergrad Intro to Statistics	Sept. 2017 - Dec. 2017

AWARDS

- Outstanding Teaching Award, May 2019.
- Best Statistical Analysis, Professional Category, in the Government Statistics Section Data Challenge at the Joint Statistical Meetings, 2016. With Jonathan Auerbach and Chris Eshleman.

SKILLS

Statistical modeling in Python, R and Stan. Programming in R and Python. Data wrangling and analysis in Python and R. Avid user of Git, GitHub, L^AT_EX, tmux, and Vim.