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Education

The George Washington University — Washington, DC
Ph.D. in Statistics, GPA: 4.00/4.00, Advisor: Xiaoke Zhang — 2022/08 (Expected)

The George Washington University — Washington, DC
M.S. in Statistics, GPA: 3.98/4.00 — 2018

Dalian University of Technology — Dalian, China
B.S. in Computational Mathematics, GPA: 3.78/4.00 — 2015

Awards and Scholarships

- ICSA Student Paper Award — 2021
  International Chinese Statistical Association
- Minna Mirin Kullback Memorial Prize for Research and Scholarship — 2021
  Department of Statistics, The George Washington University
- Full Package of University Scholarship and Graduate Assistantship — 2016, 2018–2023
  The George Washington University
- World Rank 14th / US Rank 1st — 2017
  Data Mining Cup
- University Merit-based Scholarship — 2012–2015
  Dalian University of Technology

Research Interests

- Reinforcement Learning • Causal Inference • Functional Data Analysis • Wavelet Methods
- Scientific Computing • Precision Medicine • Neuroimaging

Publications

Statistical Research

1. **Miao, R.**, Zhang, X., and Wong, R. K. W. (2021+). A Wavelet-Based Independence Test for Functional Data with an Application to MEG Functional Connectivity. *Journal of the American Statistical Association. In press.*
   2021 ICSA Student Paper Award. `DOI` `code`

2. **Miao, R.**, Xue, W., and Zhang, X. (2022). Average Treatment Effect Estimation in Observational Studies with Functional Covariates. *Statistics and Its Interface*, 15(2): 237-246. `DOI` `code`

3. Qi, Z., **Miao, R.**, and Zhang, X. (2021+). Proximal Learning for Individualized Treatment Regimes under Unmeasured Confounding. *Journal of the American Statistical Association. Resubmitted after major revision.* `arXiv` `code`

4. **Miao, R.**, Qi, Z., and Zhang, X. (2022+). Proximal Off-Policy Evaluation in Confounded Markov Decision Processes. *In preparation.*

Cross-Disciplinary Research

1. Rogers, T., Greenbaum, A. B., Babaliaros, V. C., Foerst, J. R., Khan, J. M., Bruce, C., Stine, A. M., Satler, L. F., Perdoncin, E., Gleason, P. T., Lisko, J. C., Tian, X., **Miao, R.**, Sachdev, V., Chen, M. Y., and Lederman, R. J. (2021+). Transcatheter Mitral Cerclage Ventriculoplasty: From Bench to Beside. *JACC: Cardiovascular Intervention. Resubmitted after minor revision.*

2. Strich, J. R., Warner, S., Tian, X., **Miao, R.**, Ramos-Benitez, M., Reger, R., Chakraborty, M., Wong, S., Saxena, A., McCoy, P. J., Kanthi, Y., Chertow, D. S., Suffredini, A. F., Nathan, S. D., and Childs, R. W. (2022). Fostamatinib Reduces Innate Neutrophil Activation in Hospitalized Patients with COVID-19. *International Conference of the American Thoracic Society. Submitted.*

3. Domanski, M. J., Wu, C. O., Tian, X., Hasan, A., Ma, X., Huang, Y., **Miao, R.**, Reis, J. P., Bae, S., Husain, A., J. Jr., D. R., Allen, N. B., Lee, M.-L. T., Hong, C. C., Farkouh, M., Lloyd-Jones, D. M., and Fuster, V. (2021+). Association of Incident Cardiovascular Disease and Cumulative Exposure to Multiple Risk Factors. *In preparation.*

TEACHING

- **Instructor** at The George Washington University   Washington, DC
  - STAT 2112 Business & Econ Statistics II   ToDo Summer 2022
- **Teaching Assistant** at The George Washington University   Washington, DC
  Graduate Level:
  - STAT 6201 Mathematical Statistics I   Fall 2018
  - STAT 6202 Mathematical Statistics II   Spring 2020
  - STAT 6225 Survival Analysis   Spring 2021
  - STAT 6227 Longitudinal Data Analysis   Fall 2020
  - STAT 8262 Nonparametric Inference   Spring 2020
  - STAT 8263 Advanced Statistical Theory I   Fall 2019
  - BNU-GWU Summer School, Deep Learning Lab Session   Summer 2019

  Undergraduate Level:
  - STAT 1051 Introduction to Business & Econ Statistics   Fall 2018, Fall 2020, Spring 2021
  - STAT 1053 Introduction to Statistics in Social Science   Fall 2019
  - STAT 2112 Business & Econ Statistics II   Spring 2019
  - STAT 4198 Biostatistical Methods   Spring 2019

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

National Institute of Health   Bethesda, MD
Pre-doc Fellow Contracted at NIH/NHLBI/DIR/OCD/OBR   07/2021–06/2022
  - Collaborated with clinical and laboratory investigators on data collection, processing and analysis.
  - Led and implemented quality control workflow for clinical database migrations.
  - Deployed and tested a new NHLBI computational platform for clinical research collaborations.
  - Co-authored three manuscripts submitted to peer reviewed medical journals and conferences, contributing longitudinal and survival data (see Publications/Cross-Disciplinary Research).

U.S. Food and Drug Administration   Silver Spring, MD
ORISE Fellow at FDA/CDER/OTS/OB/DBVI   Summer 2020
  - Proposed a theoretical framework for comparing C-QTc models of crossover design with different baselines.
  - Provided practical guidance for the selection of baseline type in QT studies by numerical comparisons.

PRESENTATIONS

- Reinforcement Learning with Unobserved Confounding Factors for Dynamic Treatment Regimes `ToDo` 08/2022
  2022 Joint Statistical Meeting, Washington DC (Invited).
- A Wavelet-based Independence Test for Functional Data with An Application to MEG Functional Connectivity 09/2021
  2021 ICSA Applied Statistics Symposium, Virtual (Invited).
- A Wavelet-based Independence Test for Functional Data with An Application to MEG Functional Connectivity 03/2021
  ENAR 2021 Spring Meeting, Virtual (Contributed).
- C-QTc Modeling on Crossover Design with Different Baselines: A Theoretical View 10/2020
  FDA OB Science Day Poster, Virtual (Contributed).
- Multi-Scale B-spline Compressed Sensing and Sparse Approximation 06/2014
  National College Student Research Conference, Sichuan University, China (Contributed).

SERVICES AND MEMBERSHIPS

- Committee of International Chinese Statistical Association 2021-2023
  Member of Archive Committee
- Member of American Statistical Association
- Member of ENAR

SKILLS

- **Programming & Script Languages:** Python • R • C/C++ • MatLab • SAS • SQL • JavaScript • Shellscript • Lisp
- **Machine/Deep Learning Frameworks:** Scikit-learn • Pytorch • Scipy • Pandas
- **Miscellaneous:** Linux Server Administration • Git • Docker • AWS • Emacs • Vim