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EDUCATION	Ph.D. , Statistical Science; Duke University , Durham, NC, U.S.A.	Est. 2015
	Field: Bayesian Statistics. Advisor: Prof. Jim Berger	
	M.A. , Mathematics Duke University , Durham, NC, U.S.A.	2011-2013
	Field: Probability. Qualifying exam committee: Prof. Richard Durrett B.S. , Mathematics, National Taiwan University , Taipei, Taiwan	2006-2010
EXPERTISE	<i>Statistics:</i> Machine Learning, Data Mining, Bayesian Nonparametrics, Markov Chain Monte Carlo. <i>Mathematics:</i> Stochastic Processes, Probability Theory, Option pricing, Stochastic Calculus. <i>Programming:</i> Python, C++, C, R, Matlab, SQL, Scalding, Slang, SecDB, L ^A T _E X, Linux	
WORK EXPERIENCE	<i>Summer Associate</i> , Goldman Sachs , London, UK	July-Sep, 2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Created and implemented new methods modeling cross currency swap basis using currency forward. This work has been pushed into the production for daily risk management. 	
	<i>Data Scientist Intern</i> , Verisk Analytics , San Francisco, CA	May-July, 2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed a health care fraud detection algorithm based on reclassifying insurance providers' specialities using random forest. The classification algorithm improved existing one by ten percent. Visualizing data and results with the data-driven JavaScript library <i>d3.js</i> and <i>impress.js</i> 	
	<i>Instructor</i> , Department of Mathematics, Duke University , Durham, NC	Fall 2012
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Taught Calculus (Math 111L) and managed the work of teaching assistants. Received good course evaluations with overall score of 4.0/5.0. 	
RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS	Department of Statistical Science, Duke University , Durham, NC	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Bayesian statistics:</i> Established Bayesian and Empirical Bayes procedures on false positive probability in the scenario of high dimensions multivariate normal distribution with arbitrary covariance dependence. 	
	(With J. Berger) "Comparison of Bayesian and frequentist multiplicity correction under a scenario of data dependence". Submitted to <i>the Annals of Statistics</i> ; poster in the 2014 ISBA international meeting.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Clinical trials:</i> Examined efficacy of HIV vaccines and invented conditional frequentist procedures in sequential clinical trials. 	
	(With J. Berger) "Bayesian multiple testing in sequential clinical trials". In revision.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Ecology:</i> Developed a novel MCMC algorithm which runs Bayesian logistic regression efficiently and performs dimensionality reduction among 25 species and 2 million sparse observations. 	
	(With DB. Dunson, et.al) "Sparse factor model with the application in ecology". In preparation.	
	Statistical and Applied Mathematical Science Institute (SAMSI) , Raleigh, NC	Aug, 2013
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyzed trends and incidence rates of sexually transmitted diseases in the US over the past thirteen years with Bayesian hierarchical model and spatial statistics. 	
	(With A. Brouwer, et al.) "Burden of Chlamydia in the United States: Trend Analysis of Incidence Rates" Nineteenth Mathematical and Statistical Modeling Final Report, p.77-109. 2013.	
AWARDS AND HONORS	<i>Duke Reader Project</i> , Duke University	2013 Fall
	<i>Scholarship for Studying Abroad</i> , Ministry of Education, Taiwan	2011-2012
	<i>Dean's Award</i> , National Taiwan University (top 10% of class)	2009-2010
	<i>SAS Statistics Fellow</i> , SAS Institute Inc. (offered but declined)	2014 May
EXTRA- CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	<i>Educational outreach</i> , Brogden Middle School, Durham, NC	2014-present
	Member of <i>International Society for Bayesian Analysis (ISBA)</i>	2013-present
	<i>Statistical Science Journal Club</i> , Duke University	2013-2014
	<i>Varsity Table Tennis Team</i> , National Taiwan University	2006-2008