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RESEARCH INTERESTS	Graphical models; Causal discovery; Mixed membership models; Variational inference; Empirical likelihood
ACADEMIC POSITIONS	Post-doctoral Research Professional 2018 - <i>The University of Chicago Booth School of Business</i> Supervisor: Mladen Kolar
EDUCATION	Ph.D. in Statistics 2012 - 2018 <i>University of Washington</i> Thesis: <i>Linear Structural Equation Models with non-Gaussian Errors</i> Advisor: Mathias Drton Committee members: Thomas Richardson and Emily Fox B.A. in Applied Math; Economics 2006 - 2010 <i>Rice University</i> Thesis: <i>State Level Economic Volatility: Causes and Effects</i> Magna Cum Laude; Phi Beta Kappa
PUBLICATIONS	Drton, M., Fox, C., Wang, Y.S. “Computation of Maximum Likelihood Estimates in Cyclic Structural Equation Models.” Forthcoming <i>Ann. Stat.</i> Wang, Y. S., Matsueda, R. L., and Erosheva, E. A. (2017). A variational EM method for mixed membership models with multivariate rank data: An analysis of public policy preferences. <i>Ann. Appl. Stat.</i> , 11(3):1452–1480 Wang, Y. S. and Drton, M. (2017). Empirical likelihood for linear structural equation models with dependent errors. <i>Stat</i> Chen, Y.C., Wang, Y.S., Erosheva, E. “On the use of bootstrap with variational inference: Theory, interpretation, and a two-sample test example.” Forthcoming <i>Ann. of App. Stat: Special issue for Stephen E. Fienberg</i>
WORK IN PROGRESS	Wang, Y.S., Drton, M. “Causal Discovery for High Dimensional DAGs with non-Gaussian Data” https://arxiv.org/pdf/1803.11273.pdf Bergstrom, C., Erosheva, E., Lee, C., Wang, Y.S., West, J. “Measuring Homophily in Co-authorship Formation When Adjusting for Sub-discipline Attributes” Wang, Y.S., Drton, M. “Causal Discovery for non-Gaussian Bow-free Acyclic Path Diagrams” Wang, Y.S., Erosheva, E. “mixedMem: An R Package for Estimation of Mixed Membership Models”
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	University of Washington <i>Lead Instructor</i> - STAT 311: Elements of Statistical Methods

Teaching Assistant

- STAT 220: Principles of Statistical Reasoning
- STAT 221: Statistical Concepts for Social Sciences
- STAT 311: Elements of Statistical Methods
- STAT 421: Applied Statistics and Experimental Design
- STAT 534: Statistical Computing
- STAT 566: Causal Modeling
- STAT 570: Adv Regression Methods for Indep Data
- CSSS 589: Multivariate Data Analysis for the Social Sciences

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	UW Statistics Dept Lead TA Referee: <i>AoAS</i> , <i>IJAR</i> , <i>JMLR</i> , <i>UAI</i>	2013, 2016
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INDUSTRY WORK EXPERIENCE	Susquehanna International Group <i>Assistant Trader Intern</i>	2013
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- Worked on the index/ETF desk; created tools for calculating “robust” beta and bootstrapping portfolio risk

Deloitte <i>Strategy and Operations Consultant</i>	2010 – 2012
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- Focused on analytic strategy and supply chain risk assessments with heavy manufacturing, technology hardware, and oil and gas clients
- Houston office Business Analyst Action Committee lead

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