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## POSITIONS

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*Professor* (Sep 2022 – )  
School of Mathematics  
Sun Yat-sen University

*Assistant Professor* (Sep 2019 – Aug 2022 )  
Department of Biostatistics and Epidemiology, School of Public Health and Health Sciences  
University of Massachusetts, Amherst

*Postdoctoral Fellow* (Sep 2018 – Aug 2019)  
Department of Government and Department of Statistics, Harvard University  
Advisor: Prof. Kosuke Imai

*Postdoctoral Research Associate* (Sep 2016 – Aug 2018)  
Department of Politics and Center for Statistics and Machine Learning, Princeton University  
Advisor: Prof. Kosuke Imai

*Visiting Student* (Sep 2013 – Sep 2014)  
Department of Epidemiology, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health  
Advisor: Prof. Tyler J. VanderWeele

## EDUCATION

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*Ph.D., Statistics* – Peking University, 2016  
Dissertation: Identification of principal stratification causal effects and surrogate evaluation  
Advisor: Prof. Zhi Geng

*B.S., Statistics, B.A., Economics* – Peking University, 2011

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Causal inference with post-treatment variables: instrumental variable, principal stratification;  
Causal inference in complex settings: panel data, functional data, spatio-temporal data;  
Individual treatment rule: policy evaluation and learning, algorithmic fairness;  
Measurement error and missing data;  
Applied statistics in social sciences and biomedical studies.

## GRANT SUPPORT

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- National Science Foundation (2021–2023). Evaluating the Impacts of Machine Learning Algorithms on Human Decisions. (Methodology, Measurement, and Statistics Program). Co-PI (with Kosuke Imai and James Greiner)
- Cisco Systems, Inc. (2020–2022). Evaluating the Impacts of Algorithmic Recommendations on the Fairness of Human Decisions. (Ethics in AI). Subcontract PI (with Kosuke Imai and James Greiner)

- UMass Interdisciplinary Faculty Research Awards (2020-2022). Intelligent 3D Optical Coherence Tomography for Assessment of Transplant Organ Viability. Co-PI (with Yu Chen and Xian Du)

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Refereed Journal Articles

25. Ben-Michael, E., Imai, K. and **Jiang, Z.** (2024) Policy Learning with Asymmetric Counterfactual Utilities. *Journal of the American Statistical Association*
24. **Jiang, Z.**<sup>#</sup>, Chen, S.<sup>#</sup> and Ding, P. (2023) An Instrumental Variable Method for Point Processes: Generalized Wald Estimation Based on Deconvolution. *Biometrika*, **110**, 989–1008.
23. **Jiang, Z.** and Imai, K. (2023) Statistical Inference and Power Analysis for Direct and Spillover Effects in Two-Stage Randomized Experiments. *Biometrics*, **79**, 2370–2381.
22. Imai, K., **Jiang, Z.**, Greiner, J., Halen, R. and Shin, S. (2023). Experimental Evaluation of Algorithm-Assisted Human Decision-Making: Application to Pretrial Public Safety Assessment (With Discussion). *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series A (Statistics in Society)*, **186**, 167–189.
21. Imai, K. and **Jiang, Z.**<sup>\*</sup> (2023) Principal Fairness for Human and Algorithmic Decision-Making. *Statistical Science*, **38**, 317–328.
20. **Jiang, Z.**, Yang, S. and Ding, P. (2022). Multiply Robust Estimation of Causal Effects Under Principal Ignorability. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series B (Statistical Methodology)*, **84**, 1423–1445.
19. **Jiang, Z.** and Ding, P. (2021). Identification of Causal Effects Within Principal Strata Using Auxiliary Variables. *Statistical Science*, **36**, 493–508.
18. Imai, K., **Jiang, Z.**<sup>\*</sup> and Malani, A. (2021). Causal inference with interference and noncompliance in the two-stage randomized experiments. *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, **116**, 632–644.
17. **Jiang, Z.** and Ding, P. (2020). Measurement errors in the binary instrumental variable model. *Biometrika*, **107**, 238–245.
16. Imai, K. and **Jiang, Z.**<sup>\*</sup> (2020). Identification and sensitivity analysis of contagion effects with randomized placebo-controlled trials. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series A (Statistics in Society)*, **183**, 1637–1657.
15. Kuang, K., Li, L., Geng, Z., Xu, L., Zhang, K., Liao, B., ..., and **Jiang, Z.** (2020). Causal inference. *Engineering*, **6**, 253–263.
14. Imai, K. and **Jiang, Z.** (2019). Comment: The Challenges of Multiple Causes. *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, **114**, 1605–1610.
13. **Jiang, Z.** and VanderWeele, T. J. (2019). Causal mediation analysis in the presence of a misclassified binary exposure. *Epidemiologic Methods*.
12. Imai, K., and **Jiang, Z.**<sup>\*</sup> (2018). A sensitivity analysis for missing outcomes due to truncation-by-death under the matched-pairs design. *Statistics in Medicine*, **37**, 2907–2922.

11. **Jiang, Z.** and Ding, P. (2018). Using missing types to improve partial identification with application to a study of HIV prevalence in Malawi. *Annals of Applied Statistics*, **12**, 1831–1852.
10. Li, W., **Jiang, Z.**, Geng, Z. and Zhou, XH. (2018). Identification of causal effects in the presence of measurement error and latent confounding. *Biometrical Journal*, **60**, 498–515.
9. **Jiang, Z.** and Ding, P. (2017). The Directions of Selection Bias. *Statistics and Probability Letters*, **125**, 104–109.
8. **Jiang, Z.**, Ding, P. (2016). Robust modeling using non-elliptically contoured multivariate  $t$  distributions. *Journal of Statistical Planning and Inference*, **177**, 50–63.
7. **Jiang, Z.**, Ding, P. and Geng, Z. (2016). Principal causal effect identification and surrogate endpoint evaluation by multiple trials. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series B (Statistical Methodology)*, **78**, 829–848.
6. **Jiang, Z.** and VanderWeele, T. J. (2015). When is the difference method conservative for mediation? (With discussion). *American Journal of Epidemiology*, **182**, 105–108.
5. **Jiang, Z.** and VanderWeele, T. J. (2015). Bounds or sensitivity analysis? Which to prefer for mediation? (Rejoinder to discussion). *American Journal of Epidemiology*, **182**, 115–117.
4. **Jiang, Z.**, Ding, P. and Geng, Z. (2015). Qualitative evaluation of associations by the transitivity of the association signs. *Statistica Sinica*, **25**, 1065–1079.
3. **Jiang, Z.** and VanderWeele, T. J. (2015). Causal mediation analysis in the presence of a mismeasured outcome. *Epidemiology*, **26**, e8–e9.
2. **Jiang, Z.**, VanderWeele T. J. (2015). Additive interaction in the presence of a mismeasured outcome. *American Journal of Epidemiology*, **181**, 81–82.
1. **Jiang, Z.**, Chiba, Y. and VanderWeele, T. J. (2014). Monotone confounding, monotone treatment selection, and monotone treatment response. *Journal of Causal Inference*, **2**, 1–12.

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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**Journal Associate Editor:** *The Annals of Applied Statistics* (2023-)

**Journal reviews:** *American Journal of Epidemiology*, *Annals of Statistics*, *Biometrics*, *Biometrika*, *Biostatistics*, *Biostatistics & Epidemiology*, *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis*, *Epidemiologic Methods*, *International Journal of Epidemiology*, *Journal of Business & Economic Statistics*, *Journal of Causal Inference*, *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society*, *Nature Communication*, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, *Scandinavian Journal of Statistics*, *Statistics in Medicine*, *Statistical Methods & Applications*, *Statistical Methods in Medical Research*, *The Annals of Applied Statistics*, *The Review of Economics and Statistics*.

**Seminar organizer:** Causal reading group, Harvard University, 2018

**Session organizer:** Causal inference with interference, *Atlantic Causal Inference Conference*, May 2018; Causal inference under interference, *Joint Statistical Meetings*, Aug 2021

**Session chair:** Recent developments for causal effect estimation in observational studies, *ICSA Applied Statistics Symposium*, Jun 2018

## TEACHING

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Sun Yat-sen University

Causal inference, Fall 2023

Statistical inference, Spring 2023, Spring 2024

Linear model, Fall 2022

University of Massachusetts Amherst

Causal inference: special topics, Spring 2020, Spring 2022

Introduction to data science using R, Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Fall 2021