Zongchao Liu

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EDUCATION

Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University

New York, USA

Master of Science in Biostatistics

Expected May. 2021

School of Public Health, Shandong University

Jinan, China

Bachelor of Medical Science in Preventive Medicine

Sep.2014 - Jun.2019

School of Population and Public Health, University of British Columbia

Vancouver, Canada

Exchange student

Jul.2017 - Dec.2017

SKILLS

Knowledge: Statistical Learning & Deep Learning, Statistical Inference, Epidemiology, Survival Analysis, Longitudinal Analysis, Computational Statistics, Basic & Clinical Medicine, Brain Imaging, Real Analysis

Technical: Python, R, SAS, Neo4j, MATLAB, EpiData, LaTeX, Git version control

Language: Fluently both orally and written in English, Cantonese and Mandarin

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Department of Mental Health Data Science, NYSPI

Mar. 2020 – present

Research Assistant

New York, USA

- Designed a computational procedure for cleaning and matching controls in customized ratio for the Adolescent Brain Cognitive Development (ABCD) Study
- Conducted experiments with 3D VGG structure to predict CBCL-attention score from 3D DTI FA map under different scenarios
- Will embed the predictive models with knockoff and integrated gradient techniques to interpretably select features from diffusion tensor brain imaging data with control of false discovery rate

Department of Epidemiology, Columbia University

Aug. 2020 - present

Research Assistant

New York, USA

- Developed a procedure to filter patients with diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and calculated their comorbidity conditions association (standardized morbidity ratios) with ASD by adjusting age, ethnic groups and other factors
- Conducted a hierarchical clustering analysis to differentiate selected patients into different subgroups and investigated on the distributive patterns of the comorbidities within the subgroups

Research Center for Public Health, Tsinghua University

Jul. 2020 - present

Research Assistant

Beijing, China

- Investigated on the distributional patterns of Chinese college students' casual sexual relationship (CSR)the associated risk factors, and quantitatively evaluated the risk by exploring on behaviors and attitudes towards CSR
- Constructed vectors of features for each subjects and conducted a cluster analysis to decode the characteristics of the population that has the highest tendency to have CSR; prepared for the manuscript as the first author

Guangdong Institute of Gastroenterology

Jun. 2019 - Aug. 2020

Research Assistant

Guangzhou, China

- Developed scripts for automatically matching and correcting patients' information, as well as extracting radiomics features from CT, MRI images by customized filters
- Conducted feature selection process and constructed predictive models by implementing random forest, gradient boosting machine, support vector machine to predict the pathological complete response (pCR) in patients with rectal cancer after neoadjuvant treatment

Jan.2018 – Jun.2019

Qingdao, China

2017

Research Assistant Jinan, China

• Constructed an improved gray model (1,1) to predict the incidence rates of cervical cancer and endometrial carcinoma from 2018 to 2020 in Shandong, verifying other previous prediction of the incidence rates

- Conducted an epidemiology study by presenting the crude, age-standardized and urban(rural) incidence rates of cervical cancer and endometrial carcinoma in Shandong Province, 2013~2017
- Designed and constructed Diabetes Knowledge Graph using Neo4j by coding specific nodes and relationships including the complete process for screening, diagnosis, treatment, and education

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- Zhuang Z., Liu Z.*, Wang X., et al. Radiomics analysis of computed tomography for predicting pathological response to neoadjuvant treatment in rectal cancer: Post-hoc Analysis of a Randomized Controlled Trial [J]. Frontiers in Oncology Gastrointestinal Cancers. 2020, under review
- Hu B., Li R., Liu Z., et al. Insight into the Hospital-based Low-medium Intensity Rehabilitation on Postoperative Outcome in Patients with Total Knee Arthroplasty: A Prospective Randomized Study [J]. *Knee Surgery, Sports Traumatology, Arthroscopy.* 2020, under review
- Liu Z., Lin Z., Cao W., Encoding Chinese College Students' Hookup Culture: Prevalence and Characteristics. *Manuscript in preparation*
- Liu Z., Lin Z., Ranking sociodemographic, health behavior, and awareness in predicting occurrence of casual relationship among college students: A Bayesian machine learning approach. *Manuscript in preparation*
- Liu Z., Li G., Excess comorbidities associated with autistic spectrum disorder diagnosis in pediatric hospital discharge records, *Manuscript in preparation*
- Liu Z., Wang S., Ge Y. (Aug 10, 2017). "Global Health Issues on Childhood Obesity" Poster session presented at Undergraduate Research Conference at University of British Columbia, Vancouver.

RELEVANT PROJECTS

- Fragility Index for Clinical Trials
- A Simulation Study to Compare Two Bootstrapping Methods for propensity-score matching
- Implementation and optimization of algorithms on cancer diagnosis dataset

Bronze Award, Information Technology and Entrepreneurship Competition

• Analyses of daily COVID-19 cases across nations

Qingdao Center for Disease Control and Prevention

• A Bayesian model of hurricane trajectories

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCES

Staff Intern	Feb. 2019 – Jun. 2019
Shandong Qianfoshan Hospital	Jinan, China
Intern Physician	May. 2017 - Jul. 2017
HONORS & AWARDS	
Outstanding Graduates	2019
Excellent Student Scholarship	2015-2019
Member of the Elite Class, Chinese Academy of Sciences	2018
First Prize, Shenzhen Cup Mathematical Modeling Competition	2016