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EDUCATION

Ph.D in Probability and Mathematical Statistics

Sept, 2017 - May 23, 2022

Academy of Mathematics and Systems Science (AMSS), Chinese Academy of Sciences

Beijing, China

Supervisor: Qihua Wang

Bachelor in Statistics; Top 2%

Sept, 2013 – Jun, 2017

Nankai University

Tianjin, China

WORK EXPERIENCE

Postdoctoral Fellow

Sept, 2022 – present

Department of Biostatistics, Harvard University

Boston, United States

Supervisor: Xihong Lin

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Data Fusion
- Causal Identification and Inference
- Mendelian Randomization
- Large-scale Data Analysis
- Two-phase Sampling
- Statistical Learning Theory

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

(¹ Equal contribution; * Corresponding author)

1. **Wang, R.**, Wang Q.*, and Miao, W. (2023), A robust fusion-extraction procedure with summary statistics in the presence of biased sources. *Biometrika*, 110, 1023–1040.
2. **Wang, R.**, Su, M., and Wang, Q.* (2023), Distributed nonparametric imputation for missing response problems with massive data. *Journal of Machine Learning Research*, 68, 1–52.
3. Hu, W.¹, **Wang, R.**¹, Li, W.*, and Miao, W.* (2026), Semiparametric efficient fusion of individual data and summary statistics. *Journal of the American Statistical Association: T&M*, in press. arXiv:2210.00200.
4. **Wang, R.**, and Wang, Q.* (2021), Determination and estimation of optimal quarantine duration for infectious diseases with application to data analysis of COVID-19. *Biometrics*, 78, 691–700.
5. **Wang, R.**, Wang, Q.*, Miao, W., and Zhou, X. (2024), Sharp bounds for variance of treatment effect estimators in the finite population in the presence of covariates. *Statistica Sinica*, 34, 999–1021.
6. Su, M. and **Wang, R.*** (2025), Subsampled one-step estimation for fast statistical inference. *Scandinavian Journal of Statistics*, 52, 2187–2208.

7. **Wang, R.**, Wang Q.*, and Miao, W. (2025), A maximin optimal approach for sampling designs in two-phase studies. *Statistica Sinica*, in press. arXiv:2312.10596.
8. **Wang, R.**¹, Yi, M.¹, Chen, Z., and Zhu, S. (2022), Out-of-distribution generalization with causal invariant transformations. *IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*, 375–385.
9. Yi, M.¹, **Wang, R.**¹, and Ma, Z. (2022), Characterization of excess risk for locally strongly convex population risk. *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems* 36.
10. Yi, M., **Wang, R.**, Sun, J., Li, Z., and Ma, Z. (2023), Breaking correlation shift via conditional invariant regularizer. In *Proceedings of the 11th International Conference on Learning Representations*.
11. Yang, H., Liu, Z., **Wang, R.**, Lai, E., Schwartz, J., Baccarelli, A., Huang, Y. and Lin, X.* (2025), Causal mediation analysis for integrating exposure, genomic, and phenotype data. *Annual Review of Statistics and Its Application*, 12, 337–360.
12. Su, M.¹, **Wang, R.**¹, and Wang, Q.* (2022), A two-stage optimal subsampling estimation for missing data problems with large-scale data. *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis*, 173.
13. Wang, Q., Su, M.*, and **Wang, R.** (2021), A beyond multiple robust approach for missing response problem. *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis*, 155.
14. Miao, W.* , Li, W., Hu, W., **Wang, R.**, and Geng, Z. (2021), Invited commentary: Estimation and bounds under data fusion. *American Journal of Epidemiology*, 191, 674–678.

PAPERS UNDER INVITED REVISION

(¹ Equal contribution; * Corresponding author)

1. **Wang, R.**, Zhang, H., and Lin X.* (2026+), Debiased estimating equation method for robust and efficient Mendelian randomization using a large number of correlated weak and invalid instruments. Revision invited by *Journal of the American Statistical Association: T&M*. arXiv:2408.05386.
2. **Wang, R.** and Lin X.* (2026+), Divide-and-shrink: An efficient and heterogeneity-agnostic approach for transfer estimation using summary statistics. Revision invited by *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series B*.
3. Yang, H.¹, **Wang, R.**¹, Lin, Y., and Lin, X.* (2026+), Tail likelihood ratio method for large-scale causal mediation testing in epigenome-wide studies. Revision invited by *Journal of the American Statistical Association: ACS*.
4. Su, M. and **Wang, R.*** (2026+), A moment-assisted approach for improving subsampling-based MLE with large-scale data. Revision invited by *Journal of Machine Learning Research*. arXiv:2309.09872.
5. Su, M. and **Wang, R.*** (2026+), Moment-assisted subsampling method for Cox proportional hazards model with large-scale data. Revision invited by *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics*. arXiv:2501.06924.

PREPRINTS AND PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

(¹ Equal contribution; * Corresponding author)

1. **Wang, R.** and Miao, W.* (2026+), Causal Effect Identification and Inference with Endogenous Exposures and a Light-tailed Error. Under review. arXiv:2408.06211.
2. Yi, M., Matabuena, M., **Wang, R.*** (2026+), Denoising data with measurement error using a reproducing kernel-based diffusion model. arXiv:2501.00212.
3. Zhang, P., **Wang, R.**, and Miao, W.* (2026+), Causal attribution with confidence. Under review. arXiv:2504.08294.
4. Zhang, Y., Onnela, JP, Sun, S.* , and **Wang, R.*** (2026+), Identification and Estimation of Heterogeneous Interference Effects under Unknown Network. arXiv 2510.10508.

REVIEWER

Biometrika; Journal of Machine Learning Research (JMLR); Journal of the American Statistical Association (JASA); Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (TPAMI); Biometrics; Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics; Statistics in Medicine; IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition.

AWARDS

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| • 2021.9 | AMSS | President Scholarship, Grand Prize |
| • 2021.5 | AMSS | Merit Student |
| • 2020.5 | AMSS | Merit Student |
| • 2016.12 | Nankai University | First Prize Scholarship |
| • 2015.12 | Nankai University | Merit Student |

VISIT

- Department of Statistics, Rutgers University. March, 2025.

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

- Denoising data with measurement error using a reproducing kernel-based diffusion model. **Invited talk**, International Joint Conference CFE-CMStatistics, December 2025.
- Causal effect identification and inference with endogenous exposures and a light-tailed error. **Invited talk**, International Conference on Econometrics and Statistics, August 2025.
- Divide-and-shrink: An efficient and heterogeneity-agnostic approach for transfer estimation using summary statistics. **Invited talk**, Diabetes StatClin Meeting, April 2025.
- Divide-and-shrink: a heterogeneity-agnostic approach for safe data integration. **Invited talk**, IMS-China 2024, July 2024.
- Extreme-based causal effect learning with endogenous exposures and a light-tailed error. **Invited talk**, 2024 International Conference on Frontiers of Data Science, July 2024.

- Debiased Estimating Equation Method for Versatile and Efficient Mendelian Randomization Using Large Numbers of Correlated Weak and Invalid Instruments. **Invited talk**, The 2nd Joint Conference on Statistics and Data Science in China, July 2024.
- Debiased estimating equation method for summary statistics-based Mendelian randomization. **Invited talk**, The 1st Joint Conference on Statistics and Data Science in China, July 2023.
- A maximin optimal approach for sampling designs in two-phase studies. **Topic-contributed paper session**, Joint Statistical Meetings (JSM), August 2025.
- Characterization of excess risk for locally strongly convex population risk. Chinese Association for Applied Statistics (CAAS), High Dimensional Statistics Symposium, July 2021.
- Sharp bounds for variance of the treatment effect estimators in finite population in the presence of covariates. The 2021 International Workshop on Statistical Theory and Related Fields (STARF 2021), December 2021.
- DEEM: A Flexible and Efficient Method for Summary Statistics-based Mendelian Randomization. ENAR 2024 Spring Meeting, March 2024.
- Debiased Estimating Equation Method for Versatile and Efficient Mendelian Randomization. 2024 Joint Statistical Meetings (JSM), August 2024.
- Extreme-based causal effect learning with endogenous exposures and a light-tailed error. Seminar of Center for Causal Inference, University of Pennsylvania, March 2025.

SERVICE

- Techniques and Case Studies to Address Missing Data Complications in Scientific Studies. **Session chair, Joint Statistical Meeting, Portland, OR, 2024.**