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## OBJECTIVE

To build a career as **Statistician and Quantitative Analyst**, and apply my analytical, statistical and programming skills to solve challenging problems in predictive modeling, data mining, data management and analysis

## SKILLS

### Data Analysis and Modeling

- **Statistical modeling and diagnostics:** linear and logistic models, GLMs, GLMMs, and hierarchical models
- **Data mining methods and algorithms** for regression, classification, and clustering
- Statistical computing, Monte Carlo methods, and numerical analysis methods
- Time series, risk analysis, and stochastic process

### Programming and Developing

- Proficient with **R**, **S-plus** and familiar with , C++, Matlab, Weka, SAS, Mathematica, Excel
- Proficient user of high-performance Unix cluster, Linux and Windows OS
- Working experiences on parallel computing and large data handling with R

## EDUCATION

<b>Ph.D.</b> in Applied Statistics, University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA), USA	12/2011
<b>M.S.</b> in Physics, Indiana University at Bloomington (IUB), USA	06/2006
<b>B.S.</b> in Physics, University of Science and Technology of China (USTC), China	06/2004

## EXPERIENCES

### Hierarchical Model Estimation and Checking, Research Assistant, UTSA

08/2009 – Present

- Analyzed spatial data and financial time series data with hierarchical predictive models
- Applied up-to-date robust Markov chain Monte Carlo algorithms for posterior sampling
- Explored a variety of Bayesian model checking and selection methods such as posterior predictive p-value
- Proposed a new model evaluation/checking method based on transformed residuals

### Texas County Poverty Population Modeling, Research Assistant, UTSA

03/2011 – Present

- Managed and manipulated data sets from multiple sources and GIS shapefiles
- Analyzed data with GLMs and GLMMs for county-specific covariates and spatially-correlated latent variables
- Evaluated model fitting, conducted model comparison, and derived relationship between poverty and demographic factors (county average income, race composition, age, etc.)

### R/C++ Statistical Package for Hierarchical Models, Developer

02/2011 – Present

- Developed package that performs posterior sampling, parameter estimation, response prediction, and model checking for hierarchical models with correlated latent variables
- Integrated C++ programs into R to handle Markov chain generation and large matrix computation
- Implemented parallel computing techniques to further speed up the process of estimation and prediction
- Hosted on R-Forge <http://georglsm.r-forge.r-project.org/> and being submitted to CRAN

### Instructor, College of Business, UTSA

01/2010 – 12/2011

- Taught two undergraduate courses, *Business Statistics* and *Introduction to Statistics and Data Analysis*, which cover a wide range of fundamental statistical concepts; class sizes ranged from 30 to 60
- Mentored students with practical projects in their majors, for example training survey data analysis

### Machine Learning for Automated Trading System, Developer

12/2010 – 02/2011

- Pre-processed the time series index data: transformation and explanatory analysis
- Identified the importance of indicators with feature selection techniques as well as random forest algorithm
- Explored different predictive models, including neural network, classification tree and multivariate adaptive regression splines, and evaluated their performance
- Generated trading signals and evaluated the system with moving-window testing and Monte Carlo simulations

### Analyst, Statistical Consulting Center, UTSA

09/2009 – 12/2010

- Assisted local calling center to collect and analyze data for employee evaluation
- Designed experiments and conducted power analysis of one and two-way ANOVA models for clients

## AWARDS AND HONORS

Travel Reward, Bayesian Biostatistics Conference, USA	2009
Outstanding Student Scholarship, USTC	2000, 2002, 2003, 2004
National Second Prize, Chinese Olympic Physics Contest	1998
Hubei Province First Prize, Chinese Olympic Physics Contest	1998
National Third Prize, Chinese Olympic Mathematics Contest	1992