# Yuhao Wang

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## **APPOINTMENTS**

Assistant Professor

Institute of Interdisciplinary Information Sciences, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China 08/2020 - present

Research Affiliate

Shanghai Qi Zhi Institute, Shanghai, China 08/2020 - present

Research Associate

Statistical Laboratory, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK 08/2019 - 07/2020

Advisor: Professor Rajen Shah

**EDUCATION** 

Doctor of Philosophy

Department of EECS, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA, USA 06/2019

Advisor: Professor Caroline Uhler

Master of Science

Department of EECS, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA, USA 06/2016

Advisor: Professor Bonnie Berger

Bachelor of Engineering

Department of Automation, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China

07/2014

MAIN RESEARCH INTERESTS

causal inference, high-dimensional statistics, experimental design.

**AWARDS** 

Forbes China 30 under 30 (2021)

09/2021

## **PUBLICATIONS**

(\*: equal contribution or alphabetical order)

#### Submitted for Review

- Y. Wang and Xinran Li. Asymptotic theory of the best-choice rerandomization using the Mahalanobis distance, preprint arXiv:2312.02513
- Lin Liu\* and Y. Wang\*. Root-n consistent semiparametric learning with high-dimensional nuisance functions under minimal sparsity, preprint arXiv:2305.04174
- Kaiyue Wen\*, Tengyao Wang\* and Y. Wang. Residual permutation test for high-dimensional regression coefficient testing, preprint arXiv:2211.16182
- Guido Imbens\*, Nathan Kallus\*, Xiaojie Mao\*, Y. Wang\*. Long-term causal inference under persistent confounding via data combination, in revision at Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series B, preprint arXiv:2202.07234
- Y. Wang\*, Weiming Zhu\*. Profit-driven experimental design, preprint at SSRN:https://ssrn.com/abstract=3896229
- Y. Wang, Rajen D. Shah. Debiased inverse propensity score weighting for estimation of average treatment effects with high-dimensional confounders, preprint arXiv:2011.08661

## Referred Publications

- Y. Wang, Xinran Li. Rerandomization with diminishing covariate imbalance and diverging number of covariates, The Annals of Statistics 50.6 (2022): 3439-3465.
- Madeline Navarro, Y. Wang, Antonio G. Marques, Caroline Uhler and Santiago Segarra. *Joint inference of multiple graphs from matrix polynomials*, Journal of Machine Learning Research 23.76 (2022): 1-35.
- Alexandra Carpentier\*, Olivier Collier\*, Laetitia Comminges\*, Alexandre B. Tsybakov\*, Y. Wang\*. Estimation of the ℓ<sub>2</sub>-norm and testing in sparse linear regression with unknown variance, Bernoulli 28.4 (2022): 2744-2787.
- Liam Solus, Y. Wang, Caroline Uhler. Consistency guarantees for greedy permutation-based causal inference algorithms, Biometrika 108.4 (2021): 795-814.
- Y. Wang, Uma Roy, Caroline Uhler. Learning High-dimensional Gaussian Graphical Models under Total Positivity without Adjustment of Tuning Parameters, International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics, Virtual online, Aug. 26-28, 2020.
- Basil Saeed, Anastasiya Belyaeva, Y. Wang, Caroline Uhler. Anchored causal inference in the presence of measurement error, UAI 2020.
- Chandler Squires, Y. Wang, Caroline Uhler. Permutation-based causal structure learning with unknown intervention targets, UAI 2020.
- Y. Wang, Santiago Segarra, Caroline Uhler. High-dimensional joint estimation of multiple directed Gaussian graphical models, Electronic Journal of Statistics 14.1 (2020): 2439-2483.
- Alexandra Carpentier\*, Olivier Collier\*, Laetitia Comminges\*, Alexandre B. Tsybakov\*, Y. Wang\*. Minimax rate of testing in sparse linear regression, Automation and Remote Control 80.10 (2019): 1817-1834. (special issue in memory of Yakov Tsypkin)
- Y. Wang, Chandler Squires, Anastasiya Belyaeva, Caroline Uhler. Direct estimation of differences in causal graphs, NeurIPS 2018.
- Y. Wang, Liam Solus, Karren D. Yang, Caroline Uhler. Permutation-based causal inference algorithms with interventions, NeurIPS 2017.
- Santiago Segarra, Y. Wang, Caroline Uhler, Antonio G Marques. *Joint inference of networks from stationary graph signals*, Asilomar Conference on Signals, Systems, and Computers 2017.
- Yaron Orenstein, Y. Wang, Bonnie Berger. RCK: accurate and efficient inference of sequence and structure-based protein-RNA binding models from RNAcompete data, Bioinformatics 32.12 (2016): i351-i359.
- Xin He\*, A. Ercument Cicek\*, Y. Wang\*, Marcel H. Schulz, Hai-Son Le, Ziv Bar-Joseph. De novo ChIP-seq analysis, Genome biology 16.1 (2015): 205.
- Y. Wang, Jianyang Zeng, Predicting drug-target interactions using restricted Boltzmann machines, Bioinformatics 29.13 (2013): i126-i134.

# TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Course Instructor
30470303-0 Probability and Statistices (English), Tsinghua University

Course Instructor 02/2021 -

80470282-0 Advanced Topics in Causal Inference (English), Tsinghua University

Teaching Assistant 09/2016 - 01/2017

6.867 Machine Learning, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

#### INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

**Student Intern** 07/2013 - 08/2013

School of Computer Science, Carnegie Mellon University. Advisor: Professor. Ziv Bar-Joseph

## Undergraduate Research Assistant

2012.9 - 2013.3

Institute for Interdisciplinary Information Sciences, Tsinghua University. Advisor: Professor Jianyang Zeng

## CONFERENCES AND INVITED TALKS

Root-n consistent estimators for average treatment effect with minimal sparsity, Online Causal Inference Seminar (virtual).

05/2023

- Discussant: Professor Rajarshi Mukherjee (Harvard University)

Residual permutation test for high-dimensional regression coefficient testing,

Meetings in Mathematical Statistics, C.I.R.M., Marseille, France 12/2023

Seminar at Statistical Laboratory, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK 09/2023

Seminar at Department of Statistics, University of Warwick, Coventry, UK 09/2023

International Seminar on Selective Inference (virtual).
- Discussant: Professor Panos Toulis (University of Chicago)

02/2023

Statistics and Data Science Seminar, Center for Statistical Science, Peking University, Beijing, China (virtual). 12/2022

Long-term causal inference under persistent confounding via data combination,

International Conference of the ERCIM WG on Computational and Methodological Statistics (CM-Statistics), London, UK (virtual). 12/2022

- Session Chair: Professor Lin Liu (Shanghai Jiaotong University)

IIM Seminar, HKU Business School, University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, China (virtual). 06/2022

Forum on Frontiers in Statistics and Data Analysis, Xiamen University and Tianyuan Mathematical Center in Southeast China, Xiamen, Fujian, China (virtual). 04/2022

Tsinghua Logic Salon, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China. 04/2022

Debiased inverse propensity score weighting for estimation of average treatment effects with high-dimensional confounders,

Joint Econometrics and Statistics Seminar Series, the London School of Economics and Political Science, London, UK (virtual).

02/2022

Seminar at School of Mathematical Sciences, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Shanghai, China. 07/2021

Young Data Science Researcher Seminar, ETH Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland (virtual). 06/2021

Seminar at Center for Statistical Science, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China. 03/2021

Hong Kong Machine Learning Meetup, Hong Kong, China (virtual). 02/2021

Seminar of Statistics at ENSAE-CREST, Paris, France (virtual). 11/2020

Pacific Causal Inference Conference, Peking University, Beijing, China (virtual). 09/2020

Discussion of "A machine learning approach for causal structure estimation in high dimensions",

Online Causal Inference Seminar (virtual). 01/2022

Profit-driven experimental design,

Informs 2021 Invited Session Experiments and Computational Social Science, Anaheim, CA, USA (virtual).

Shanghai Jiao Tong University Summer School, Shanghai, China. 07/2021

Learning high-dimensional Gaussian graphical models under total positivity without tuning parameters, Machine Learning Theory Workshop, Peking University, Beijing, China. 06/2019

Seminar at Barcelona Graduate School of Economics, Barcelona, Spain.

05/2019

Provable algorithms for statistical challenges in data driven decision making,

Seminar at Krannert School of Management, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, USA. 02/2019Seminar at iDDA, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (Shenzhen), Shenzhen, China. 01/2019 Seminar at IIIS, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China. 12/2018

Direct estimation of differences in causal graphs,

International Conference of the ERCIM WG on Computational and Methodological Statistics (CM-Statistics), Pisa, Italy. 12/2018

- Session Chair: Professor Marloes Maathuis (ETH Zurich)

Robust estimation of high-dimensional graphical models under total positivity,

MIT Applied Algebra Day, Cambridge, MA, USA.

11/2018

Permutation-based causal inference algorithms with interventions,

NeurIPS spotlight presentation, Long Beach, CA, USA.

12/2017

#### ACADEMIC SERVICE

## Editorial board reviewer

Journal of Machine Learning Research

2020 - present

#### Journal reviewer

Annals of Statistics; Biometrika; Journal of the American Statistical Association; Journal of Machine Learning Research; Biometrics; SIAM Journal on Mathematics of Data Science etc.

## Conference organizing committee

IJCAI 2021; AAAI 2023

#### Conference reviewer

ICML 2018; NeurIPS 2018; ICML 2019; NeurIPS 2019; AAAI 2020; ICLR 2020; STOC 2020; UAI 2020 etc.

## Memberships

Institute of Mathematical Statistics