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### Education

Ph.D. Statistical Science, Duke University, 2009  
Thesis: Bayesian Analysis and Computational Methods for Dynamic Modeling  
Advisor: Mike West

M.S. Biostatistics, University of Minnesota, 2005  
Thesis: Identifying and evaluating contrarian strategies for NCAA tournament pools  
Advisor: Brad Carlin

B.ChE. Chemical Engineering, University of Minnesota, 1999

### Academic Positions

Assistant Professor Statistics & Statistical Laboratory	Iowa State University 2011–present
Assistant Professor Statistics & Applied Probability	University of California, Santa Barbara 2009–2011

### Employment

Consultant	Natural Resources Research Institute	2009–2010
	Denver Health	2008
	Purdue Pharma LP	2007–2008
Research Assistant	Duke University (Mike West)	2006–2009
	University of Minnesota (Brad Carlin)	2004–2005
	University of Minnesota (Grace Peng)	2003–2004
Junior Scientist	University of Minnesota	2001–2004
	Natural Resources Research Institute	2003
Research Engineer	Procter & Gamble	1999–2001

### Academic Publications

Bernie J Daigle Jr, Min K Roh, Linda R Petzold and **Jarad Niemi**. “Accelerated maximum likelihood parameter estimation for stochastic biochemical systems.” *invited resubmission*

Jo Eidsvik, Benjamin A. Shaby, Brian J. Reich, Matthew Wheeler, and **Jarad Niemi**. “Estimation and prediction in spatial models with block composite likelihoods using parallel computing.” *submitted*

**Jarad B. Niemi** and Matthew Wheeler. “Efficient Bayesian inference in stochastic chemical kinetic models using graphical processing units.” *in revision*

**Jarad B. Niemi** and Gerald J. Niemi. “Linear regression, model averaging, and Bayesian techniques for predicting chemical activities from structure.” *submitted*

David Banks, Gauri Datta, Alan Karr, James Lynch, **Jarad Niemi**, and Francisco Vera. (2012) “Bayesian CAR models for syndromic surveillance on multiple data streams: theory and practice.” *Information Fusion*: 13(2): 115–116.

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Ludkovski, Michael and Niemi, Jarad (2011) “Optimal disease outbreak decisions using stochastic simulation.” *Proceedings of the 2011 Winter Simulation Conference*, eds. S. Jain, R. R. Creasey, J. Himmelspack, K. P. White, and M. Fu.

Mike Ludkovski and **Jarad B. Niemi**. (2010) “Optimal dynamic policies for influenza management.” *Statistical Communications in Infectious Diseases*: 2(1): 5.

**Jarad B. Niemi**. (2010) “Evaluating individual player contributions to team offense and defense: a model based approach.” *JSM Proceedings, Section on Statistics in Sports*. Vancouver, BC, Canada: American Statistical Association. 4914–4923.

**Jarad B. Niemi** and Mike West. (2010), “Adaptive mixture modelling Metropolis methods for Bayesian analysis of non-linear state-space models.” *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics*. 19(2): 260–280.

Quanli Wang, **Jarad Niemi**, Cheemeng Tan, Lingchong You, and Mike West. (2010), “Image segmentation and dynamic lineage analysis in single-cell fluorescent microscopy.” *Cytometry: Part A* **77A**(1): 101–110

**Jarad Niemi**, Meredith Smith, and David Banks. (2008), “Test power for drug abuse surveillance.” in *Biosurveillance and Biosecurity, Proceedings of BioSecure 2008, Lecture Notes in Computer Science*, eds. Daniel Zeng, Hsinchun Chen, Henry Rolka, and William B. Lober. pp. 131–142

**Jarad Niemi**, Brad Carlin, and Jon Alexander. (2008), “Contrarian strategies for NCAA tournament pools: a cure for March madness?” *Chance* **21**(1): 39–46

**Jarad B. Niemi**, Michael D. Porter, and Brian J. Reich. (2008), “Mixture likelihood ratio scan statistic for disease outbreak detection.” *Advances in Disease Surveillance* 5:49

Michael J. Simmons, **Jarad B. Niemi**, Don-Felix Ryzek, Cecile Lamour, Joseph W. Goodman, Wojtek Kraszkiewicz, and Ryan Wolff. (2007), “Cytotype regulation by telomeric *P* elements in *Drosophila melanogaster*: Interactions with *P* elements from M' strains.” *Genetics* **176**(4): 1957–1966

Cheemeng Tan, Hao Song, **Jarad Niemi**, and Lingchong You. (2007), “A synthetic biology challenge: making cells compute.” *Molecular BioSystems* **3**: 343–353

Kevin J. Haley, Jeremy R. Stuart, John D. Raymond, **Jarad B. Niemi**, and Michael J. Simmons. (2005), “Mutations in the Su(var)2-5 gene impair cytotypic-mediated regulation of *P* element activity in *Drosophila melanogaster* through a Maternal Effect.” *Genetics* **171**: 583–595.

**Jarad B. Niemi**, John D. Raymond, Ryan Patrek, and Michael J. Simmons. (2004), “Establishment and maintenance of the *P* cytotypic associated with telomeric *P* elements in *Drosophila melanogaster*.” *Genetics* **166**: 255–264.

Michael J. Simmons, John D. Raymond, **Jarad B. Niemi**, Jeremy R. Stuart, and Peter J. Merriman. (2004), “The *P* cytotypic in *Drosophila melanogaster*: A maternally transmitted regulatory state of the germ line associated with telomeric *P* elements.” *Genetics* **166**: 243–254.

Michael J. Simmons, Kevin J. Haley, Craig D. Grimes, John D. Raymond, and **Jarad B. Niemi**. (2002), “A hobo transgene that encodes the *P* element transposase in *Drosophila melanogaster*: Autoregulation and cytotypic control of transposase activity.” *Genetics* **161**: 195–204.

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Tim W. Dake, **Jarad B. Niemi**, Don L. Hughes, Jeff J. Kester, Don B. Compton, Jon J. Calderas, Rich G. Schafermeyer, Kevin P. Christmas. “Compositions having enhanced aqueous solubility and methods of their preparation.” PCT/US2002/014505 *filed*

### Presentations

“Determining optimal sequential disease outbreak interventions ” University of Iowa, Computational Epidemiology Seminar, 20 Jan 2012 (invited)

“Optimal sequential management decisions for measles outbreaks” International Society for Disease Surveillance 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, 7 Dec 2011 (contributed)

“A sequential Monte Carlo primer” Iowa State University, Department of Statistics, Computational Statistics working group, 12 Oct 2011 (invited)

“Statistical computing on graphical processing units” Iowa State University, Department of Statistics, Computational Statistics working group, 28 Sep 2011 (invited)

“Time management.” UCSB IGERT Career Development Seminar Series, 12 April 2011 (invited)

“Optimal dynamic policies for influenza management.” Iowa State University departmental seminar, 24 February 2011 (invited)

“Optimal sequential management decisions for influenza outbreaks.” University of California, Santa Barbara Statistics and Applied Probability departmental seminar, 12 January 2011 (invited, joint with Mike Ludkovski)

“Optimal sequential management decisions for influenza outbreaks.” International Society for Disease Surveillance 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, 2 Dec 2010 (contributed)

“Evaluating individual player contributions in basketball.” Joint Statistical Meetings, 4 Aug 2010 (contributed)

“A brief introduction to R.” University of California, Santa Barbara Quantitative Methods in Social Sciences seminar, 8 April 2010 (invited)

“Early outbreak detection using syndromic surveillance networks.” University of California, Los Angeles Biostatistics departmental seminar, 19 November 2009 (invited)

“A sequential Monte Carlo primer.” University of California, Santa Barbara Statistics and Applied Probability departmental seminar, 21 October 2009 (invited)

“Adaptive mixture modeling Metropolis methods for state inference in nonlinear time series.” Joint Statistical Meetings, 3 August 2009 (invited)

“Computational methods for general state-space models.” University of New Mexico Mathematics and Statistics departmental seminar, 19 February 2009 (invited)

“Computational methods for general state-space models.” University of Michigan Statistics departmental seminar, 17 February 2009 (invited)

“Computational methods for general state-space models.” University of Texas, Austin Information, Risk, and Operations Management departmental seminar, 17 February 2009 (invited)

“Computational methods for general state-space models.” Johns Hopkins Biostatistics departmental seminar, 6 February 2009 (invited)

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“Computational methods for general state-space models.” University of California, Los Angeles Biostatistics departmental seminar, 28 January 2009 (invited)

“Computational methods for general state-space models.” Iowa State Statistics departmental seminar, 26 January 2009 (invited)

“Computational approaches for general state-space models.” University of California, Santa Barbara Statistics and Applied Probability departmental seminar, 12 January 2009 (invited)

“Mixture likelihood ratio scan statistic for disease outbreak detection.” 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the International Society for Disease Surveillance, 3 December 2008 (contributed)

“Test power for drug abuse surveillance.” BioSecure, 2 December 2008 (contributed)

“Assessing the effectiveness of a national drug intervention policy.” Graduate Student Seminar Series, 17 November 2008 (contributed)

“Discrete-time models for intracellular processes in systems biology.” Graduate Student Research Day, Duke University, 02 April 2008 (contributed)

“Bayesian analysis in systems biology: Advances and impact in single-cell dynamical networks.” Graduate Student Seminar Series, 25 February 2008 (contributed)

“Stochastic modelling and estimation in dynamic cellular networks.” 39<sup>th</sup> Symposium on the Interface: Computing Science and Statistics, 24 May 2007 (invited, given on behalf of Mike West)

“Bayesian modeling and inference in single cell dynamic networks.” 39<sup>th</sup> Symposium on the Interface: Computing Science and Statistics, 26 May 2007 (contributed)

“Identifying and evaluating contrarian strategies for NCAA tournament pools.” 2006 Joint Statistical Meetings, 8 August (contributed)

### Posters

“An exploratory analysis of the 2010 measles outbreak in Zimbabwe” International Society for Disease Surveillance 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, 7 Dec 2011 (contributed)

“Parameter inference in stochastic chemical kinetic models on GPUs.” MCMSki3: 4<sup>th</sup> International IMS/ISBA Joint Meeting, 6 Jan 2011

“Nonlinear dynamic models for single-cell time-lapse microscopy.” Duke Center for Systems Biology Retreat, 18 May 2009

“Adaptive mixture filtering: an alternative to particle filtering?” SAMSI Sequential Monte Carlo Kickoff Workshop, 8 September 2008.

“Bayesian parameter estimation for systems biological models of dynamic cellular networks.” SAMSI Biosystems Modeling Workshop, 5 March 2007.

“Bayesian parameter estimation for systems biological models of dynamic cellular networks.” 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Duke Systems Biology Symposium, 14 September 2006.

“Bayesian parameter estimation for systems biological models of dynamic cellular networks.” 8<sup>th</sup> Valencia International Meeting on Bayesian Statistics, 5 June 2006.

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### News interviews (hyperlinked)

CBS Moneywatch  
MSN MoneyCentral  
Slate in 2009 and in 2011  
The Chronicle

### Courses taught

#### Regular courses

Spring 2012	401A	Statistical Methods for Research Workers
Fall 2011	615	Advanced Bayesian Methods
Spring 2011	120C	Probability and Statistics (categorical, nonparametrics, and Bayesian)
	230	Seminars and Projects in Statistical Consulting
Winter 2011	220B	Advanced Statistical Methods (GLMs)
Fall 2010	120B	Probability and Statistics
Spring 2010	120B	Probability and Statistics (estimation and testing)
	230	Seminar and Projects in Statistical Consulting
Winter 2010	262	Applied Bayesian Time Series

#### Independent studies

Spring	596	Parallelizing block composite likelihoods
Winter 2011	596	Bayesian inference in stochastic chemical kinetic models
	596	Bayesian inference in ecological models
	510	Preparation for applied statistics qualifying exam
Fall 2010	596	Bayesian inference in graphical processing units
Spring 2010	596	Importance sampling on graphical models

#### Short courses

Apr 2010	Sequential Monte Carlo methods	ASA-Albuquerque	$\frac{1}{2}$ -day
Dec 2009	Introduction to statistical analysis in R	NRRI	2-day

### Honors and Awards

Iowa State University grant for GPU cluster and RA support [\$88,000] (2011)  
University of California Regents Junior Faculty Fellowship [\$7,500] (2011)  
MCMSki3 conference travel support [\$650] (2011)  
NVIDIA Academic Partnership Program award [2×C2050 GPGPUs] (2010)  
Section on Bayesian Statistical Science Student Paper Competition winner [\$1,000] (2009)  
International Society for Disease Surveillance Technical Contest 2<sup>nd</sup> place (2008)  
NSF National Research Service Award Fellowship (2003–2004)  
Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program grant (1997)  
John Tate Memorial Scholarship (1997)  
Presidential Leadership Award (1997)  
Lower Division Honors (1997)  
Whiteside Scholastic Scholarship (1995)

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### Memberships

- American Association for the Advancement of Science
- American Statistical Association
- International Society for Bayesian Analysis
- International Society for Disease Surveillance

### Service

#### Refereeing

- Journal of Agricultural, Biological, and Environmental Statistics (2012)
- Current Computer-Aided Drug Design (2012)
- IEEE Trans. on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics–Part C: Applications and Reviews (2011)
- Journal of Agricultural, Biological, and Environmental Statistics (2011)
- Applied Stochastic Models in Business and Industry (2011)
- Annals of Applied Statistics  $\times 2$  (2011)
- Computational Statistics & Data Analysis (2010)
- Electronic Journal of Statistics (2010)
- International Society for Disease Surveillance conference (2010,2011)
- Journal of Statistical Education (2009)

#### Conference organization

- International Society for Disease Surveillance session chair (2010)
- Joint Statistical Meetings, Section on Statistical Computing session chair (2009)

#### Other statistical community service (hyperlinked if appropriate)

- News Editor for Significance Magazine (2010–present)
- Professional blog (<http://jaradniemi.com/blog>) (2009–present)
- Professional twitter account (@NiemiSTAT)
- Book review Applied Bayesian Time Series for The American Statistician (2010)
- Boy Scouts of America troop presentation on estimating player abilities in basketball

#### University service

- UCSB faculty legislature, member (2010–2011)
- Center for research in financial mathematics and statistics, UCSB, member (2010–2011)
- Quantitative methods in the social sciences, UCSB, core faculty (2009–2011)
- Overall plan for advising students work group, University of Minnesota (1997-1999)
- Semester advising task force, University of Minnesota (1997-1999)
- Committee for semester conversion institution, University of Minnesota (1996-1999)
- Semester conversion committee, University of Minnesota (1996-1999)
- Business and rules committee, University of Minnesota (1996-1997)
- Student senate consultative committee, University of Minnesota (1996-1997)
- Management team for the Minnesota student association, University of Minnesota (1996-1997)
- Institute of Technology senator, University of Minnesota (1996-1997)

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### Departmental service

- Iowa State University Department of Statistics & Statistical Laboratory
  - \* Computational Statistics working group, chair (2011–present)
  - \* STAT-ers advisor (2011–present)
  - \* Computation advisory committee, member (2011–present)
  - \* Social committee, member (2011–present)
  - \* Graduate student committees
    - Casey Oliver (co-chair, MS Statistics)
    - Hui Lin (member, PhD Statistics)
    - Yihui Xie (member, PhD Statistics)
    - Caitlyn Abell (member, PhD Statistics & Animal Science)
    - Anna MacDonald (member, MS NREM)
    - Eddie Shea (member, MS NREM)
- UCSB Department of Statistics & Applied Probability
  - \* Graduate student committees
    - Danny Sheinson (co-chair, MS 2011, PhD)
    - Chi-Yang Chiu (member, MS 2011)
  - \* Applied statistics qualifying exam committee, UCSB (2010–2011)
  - \* Computing committee, UCSB (2009–2011)
  - \* Library liaison, UCSB (2009–2011)