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A. Personal Statement

My primary research focus is on statistical modeling and learning, with applications in image analysis and computer vision. In particular, I have been working on developing generative models and associated learning algorithms for representing and recognizing patterns in natural images. I have also worked on bioinformatics such as the modeling and analysis of ChIP-chip data, which is a precursor of the ChIP-seq data. My research has been supported by NSF, ONR, DARPA etc. My experience on machine learning, image analysis, and high throughput bioinformatics data make me suited for consulting for this project.

B. Positions and Honors

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| 2006-now | Professor, Department of Statistics, UCLA |
| 2001-2006 | Associated Professor, Department of Statistics, UCLA |
| 1999-2001 | Assistant Professor, Department of Statistics, UCLA |
| 1997-1999 | Assistant Professor, Department of Statistics, University of Michigan |

Honorable Mention for David Marr Prize, International Conference of Computer Vision, 2007.

Honorable Mention for David Marr Prize, International Conference of Computer Vision, 1999.

Winner of Student Paper Competition, Statistical Computing Section, American Statistical Association, 1995.

C. Selected Peer-reviewed Publications

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D. Research Support

Ongoing Research Support

DMS 1310391 (Wu) 07/01/13-06/30/15

NSF

*Learning Compositional Sparse Coding Models for Natural Images*

 The goal of this project is to develop unsupervised learning method for learning hierarchical compositional models for natural image patterns.

Role: Principal Investigator

N00014-10-1-0933 (Zhu)                                                     08/01/10-07/31/14

ONR

*Knowledge Representation, Reasoning and Learning for Understanding Scenes and Events*

This is a multi-university research initiative (MURI) project sponsored by ONR. The goal of this project is to develop statistical models and algorithms for knowledge representation, reasoning and learning for understanding scenes and events.

Role: Co-Investigator

N00014-10-1-0933 (Zhu)                                                     08/01/11-07/31/14

DARPA

*Sensor Exploitation and Execution on a Unified Foundation*

The goal of this project is to study the mathematical foundation of sensor exploitation and execution in computer vision.

Role: Co-Investigator

Completed Research Support

DMS 1007889 (Wu) 07/01/10-06/30/13

NSF

*Statistical Modeling and Learning in Vision*

 The goal of this project is to develop statistical models and associated learning and inference algorithms for object and texture patterns in natural scenes.

Role: Principal Investigator

DMS 0707055 (Wu) 07/01/07-12/31/10

NSF

*From Information Scaling to Regimes of Statistical Models of Natural Image Patterns*

The goal of this project is to study the change of statistical properties of natural images under scaling, and develop statistical models for different entropy regimes.

Role: Principal Investigator