# **JAMES LEINER**

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#### **EDUCATION**

Carnegie Mellon University

2021 - 2026 (expected)

Doctor of Philosophy in Statistics

GPA: 4.0/4.0

The University of Chicago

2019 - 2021

Master of Science in Statistics

GPA: 3.8/4.0

Thesis: Novel Data Splitting Techniques for Post-Selection Inference in Poisson Regression

The University of Chicago

2010 - 2013

Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics and Economics

GPA: 3.7/4.0

General Honors, Dean's List 2010-2013, National Merit Scholarship

#### **PUBLICATIONS AND PREPRINTS**

James Leiner, Brian Manzo, Aaditya Ramdas, and Wesley Tansey. Scalable causal structure learning via amortized conditional independence testing. 4th Conference on Causal Learning and Reasoning (to appear), 2025.

James Leiner and Aaditya Ramdas. Graph fission and cross-validation, 27th International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics, 2024.

James Leiner, Boyan Duan, Larry Wasserman, and Aaditya Ramdas. Data fission: splitting a single data point. *Journal of the American Statistical Association (discussion paper)*, 2023.

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Novartis, Biostatistics Intern

Summer 2024

East Hanover, NJ

• Developed methodology for statistical inference for data adaptively collected in clinical trial settings using techniques from causal inference and off-policy evaluation

## Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, Research Intern

Summer 2022

New York, NY

• Developed methodology for causal discovery for large-scale multiple hypothesis testing on directed acyclic graphs, and applied the method to identify genetic biomarkers for future metastases in cancer patients

**Novantas** (financial services management consultancy), Manager Chicago, IL

2014 - 2016, 2017-2019 Chicago, IL

- Led multiple 2-6 person engagements for retail and commercial banks across the asset size spectrum. Areas of focus included
  retail/commercial deposit pricing, Treasury Management fee pricing, regulatory stress testing, funds transfer pricing, asset/liability
  management, and credit risk management
- Created suite of tools in SAS and Python to automate the construction, review, and documentation of statistical models including: ARIMA, Cox proportional-hazards models, random forests, and GLMs
- Designed early warning indicator system to detect mortgages most at risk of default and advised on strategies to minimize economic losses for delinquent mortgages at a big four Australian bank
- Promoted to Manager from Senior Associate (September 2017), to Senior Associate from Lead Associate (April 2016), to Lead Associate from Associate (April 2015). Took leave of absence from 2016-2017.

## Allstate Insurance Company, Actuarial Intern

Summer 2013

Northbrook, IL

• Determined adequacy of current pricing using loss projection models and reported these findings to senior management

#### **COMPUTER SKILLS**

**Proficient** Python, R, SAS, SQL, LATEX

**Intermediate** C/C++, Haskell