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Scalable Competing Risk Modeling for Administrative Databases and Disease Registries

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Competing risks, i.e., terminal events of distinct failure types (e.g., different causes of death), are omnipresent in large-scale administrative records and disease registries. The increasing availability of data facilitates a comprehensive investigation on competing risks in various contexts, potentially leading to evidence-informed healthcare policy, improved clinical practice, and a deeper understanding of critical issues in population health. On the other hand, the growing volume of data, high-dimensional parameter space, and complexity of modeling necessitate methodological advances beyond existing analytical frameworks. In this talk, I will discuss scalable statistical and computational methods for assessing the performance of healthcare providers (e.g., Medicare-certified dialysis facilities), studying the cause-specific etiology of a fatal disease (e.g., breast cancer), and understanding the dynamic impact of a health crisis (e.g., COVID-19).



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