

EDUCATION**University of Notre Dame**

Bachelor of Science in Mathematics and Computing
Second Major: Economics

August 2017 - May 2021

Overall GPA: 3.93 / 4.0; *cum laude*
Dean's List All Semester; Phi Beta Kappa

HONORS

Honorable Mention for CRA Outstanding Undergraduate Research Award 2021
ASA DataFest Best External Source Prize \$1000 2019
Center for Career Development Whitman Family Fellowship \$4000 2019
Liu Institute for Asian Studies Summer Fellowship \$1000 2018

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**University of Notre Dame Lab of Data Mining and Decision Making (DM2)**

August 2019 - August 2021

Advisor: Dr. Meng Jiang

Notre Dame, IN

- **Early Fraud Detection in Social Networks:** Designed a novel fraud detection framework to enhance early stage fraud detection performance in social networks by capturing the behavior patterns of network participants; Implemented the end-to-end framework and evaluated our methods on large scale real-world data.
- **Fake News Detection with Propensity Score Matching:** Improved cross-topic fake news detection performance by eliminating the confounding bias with Propensity Score Matching based feature extraction; Evaluated the proposed method on real-world political and celebrity news datasets.

University of Notre Dame Social Sensing Lab

August 2018 - May 2019

Advisor: Dr. Dong Wang

Notre Dame, IN

- **Image-based Poetry Recommendation:** Designed a framework for image-based poetry recommendation that takes implicit artistic conception into consideration; Built datasets and implemented baselines for the proposed framework.

Mobile Computing Lab, University of Notre Dame

September 2018 - May 2019

Advisor: Christian Poellabauer

Notre Dame, IN

- **Purple Martin App:** Developed a mobile app with Ionic and React for the Purple Martin Conservation Association that will cover 3k to 4k participants a year. Functions of the app include report submission and news updates.
- Held weekly meetings with Prof. Pollabauer and other team members; communicated needs and updates on a monthly-basis with the CEO of the organization.

WORK EXPERIENCE**Athena, Amazon Web Service**

September 2021 - Present

Software Development Engineer

Seattle, WA

- **Parameterized Query:** Designed and implemented Athena parameterized query's API support that has reached to all of Athena's customers. The adoption rate of Athena's parameterized query has since increased 55%.
- **Operational Excellency:** Streamlined the current deployment flow including integration tests with Amazon pipelines; Improved Athena's error package and reduced overall DDL system errors by 25%.

The Jarvis Lab, Tencent

June 2018 - July 2018

Data Analyst

Shenzhen, China

- Extracted smoking habits from over 10000 patients' self reports using snowNLP, a Chinese word segmentation tool, and analyzed the data with Latent Dirichlet Allocation to extract semantic topics.
- Experimented different machine learning algorithms with the extracted features; achieved a final 0.92 AUC with ensemble methods in lung disease prediction.

PUBLICATIONS

- **Bo Ni**, Tong Zhao, Wenhao Yu, Meng Jiang. "Action Sequence Augmentation for Early Graph-based Anomaly Detection". ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM), 2021.
- **Bo Ni**, Tong Zhao, Wenhao Yu, Meng Jiang. "Early Fraud Detection with Augmented Graph Learning". Accepted as spotlight presentation by the Second International Workshop on Deep Learning on Graphs (DLG-KDD'20).
- Daniel Yue Zhang, **Bo Ni**, Qiyu Zhi, Thomas Plummer, Qi Li, Hao Zheng, Qingkai Zeng, Yang Zhang, Dong Wang. "Through The Eyes of A Poet: Classical Poetry Recommendation with Visual Input on Social Media." Advances in Social Analysis and Mining (ASONAM '19) (Oral).
- **Bo Ni**, ZhiChun Guo, Jianing Li, Meng Jiang. "Improving Generalizability of Fake News Detection Methods using Propensity Score Matching" arxiv 2002.00838 (2020).

EXTRA-CIRRICULAR

- Volunteer - South Bend Homeless Center, Shenzhen Concert Hall
- Shenzhen U20 Paid Soccer Player - Shenzhen Football Association