# **Christopher Dienes**

# Statistician | Data Scientist

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OVERVIEW

Statistician with strong academic background, diverse skill set, high attention to detail, enjoys both mentoring and consulting, successful leading projects, and ability to communicate complex concepts to audiences of all levels; seeking exciting projects alongside talented people.

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION Applied and mathematical statistics, Bayesian statistics, data visualization, machine learning, statistical computing, big data, data collection and manipulation, surveys, time series, teaching, applications include (but not limited to) business, economics, health care, environmental sciences, and sports. Leadership skills include situational leadership training.

COMPUTER SKILLS GitHub, LATEX, Linux/Windows, MATLab, MongoDB, Python, R, R Shiny, SAS, Spark, SQL, Tableau, Web Design (HTML/CSS/JavaScript).

Professional Experience

# Seagate Technology

Senior Staff Data Scientist Staff Data Scientist Senior Data Scientist October 2017 - Present February 2016 - September 2017 February 2015 - January 2016

- Currently provide internal consulting on projects spanning the data science field, including algorithm development, data visualization, big data computing, storage, and applied statistics.
- Led algorithm development for factory control system involving high dimensional data.
- Developed an internal interactive classification R package for imbalanced data which was later opened sourced: https://github.com/ChrisDienes/SeaClass.
- Conducted novel research in the area of low-rank modeling and matrix factorization which resulted in an external paper.
- Led algorithm development for a python based software application which supports anomaly detection and failure classification of storage devices within data centers.

# Harris Corporation/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Data Analyst 3

July 2014 - January 2015

- Federal contractor for the CDC National Center for Health Statistics. Work included statistical consulting, machine learning, data visualization, and survey topics.
- Designed and led a data disclosure project involving high frequency time series data collected from physical activity monitors.

### University of California - Davis

 $Graduate\ Student\ Employment$ 

2008 - 2013

- Associate Instructor: Led five undergraduate courses covering topics in elementary statistics, probability theory, and time series analysis.
- Teaching Assistant: Assisted lead professors with tasks related to administering college level courses.

• Research Assistant: Assisted collaborative project on corporative rankings in hierarchical networks. Duties included data manipulation, analysis and presentation of findings.

#### **EDUCATION**

#### University of California - Davis

Ph.D., Statistics, September 2013

- Dissertation Topic: On-line monitoring in time series models.
- Pre-Qualifying Exam: 94% (Theoretical), 97% (Quantitative)
- GPA: 4.0
- Advisor: Alexander Aue M.S., Statistics, March 2011

## Montana Tech of the University of Montana

B.S., Mathematics, May 2008

• Minor: Business Administration

• GPA: 4.0

## Papers and Posts

- Dienes, C. (2017). RStudio R Views blog post: The SeaClass R Package. https://rviews.rstudio.com/2017/10/23/the-seaclass-r-package/.
- Dienes, C. (2017). The low-rank hurdle model. https://arxiv.org/abs/1709.01860.
- Aue, A., C. Dienes, S. Fremdt, and J. G. Steinebach (2015). Reaction times of monitoring schemes for ARMA time series. *Bernoulli*. Vol. 21, No. 2, 1238-1259.
- Dienes, C., and A. Aue (2014). On-line monitoring of pollution concentrations with autoregressive moving average time series. *Journal of Time Series Analysis*. Vol. 35, Issue 3, 239-261.

## Honors and Awards

Montana Tech Alumni Recognition Award, 2015

Harris Corp URock Award, 2014

UC Davis Department of Statistics Service Award, 2013

UC Davis Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award, 2012

UC Davis Statistics Graduate Student of the Year (Julius Blum Award), 2010

Montana Tech Undergraduate Valedictorian, 2008

Goldwater Scholarship, 2007

Montana Tech Chancellor's Honor Roll (4.0 required), 2004-8

Marie M. Moebus Presidential Scholarship, 2004

Browning High School Valedictorian, 2004

Montana High School Honors Scholarship, 2004

#### Interests

Art, Dogs, Games, Golf, Music, Nature, Trivia