

Timothy Hyndman

DATA SCIENTIST

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Education

University of Melbourne Melbourne

Ph.D.

Thesis titled 'The coupling time for the Ising heat-bath dynamics & efficient optimization for statistical inference'.
Completed under the supervision of Prof. Peter Taylor, Prof. Aurore Delaigle, and Assoc. Prof. Tim Garoni.

Monash University Clayton, Australia

B.Sc.(Hons) 2011-2014

- Honours research project proved that a Markov chain with close ties to the Ising model (the 'worm chain') was rapidly mixing.
- GPA of 3.957, H1 honours result with an average mark of 93.

Australian Music Examinations Board

Melbourne, Australia

May. 2019 - Present

2015-2019

A.Mus.A (Piano) 2011

Employment History

Biarri Windsor, Australia

Data scientist

Technical lead on a project with one of Australia's major fuel retailers to suggest real-time fuel prices at over 500 stores. Starting with over 100GB of raw transaction data, I developed predictive models, for short term fuel volume forecasts at candidate prices, as well as predictive models for in store purchases and long term effects of difference pricing strategies. I was one of two developers for the final software, and helped deploy the solution to the client's Azure infrastructure. The solution is currently in a trial phase and being used at approximately 80 stores Australia

- Developed tool to suggest 'optimal' markdown prices for a group of sport and outdoor retailers. The challenge was to suggest a price that would allow them to get rid of stock within an allocated time while maximising profit. After two trial implementations, the net increase in margin was measured at approximately \$200k or 20%.
- Received feedback that we were 'the best value client we have ever had' by a large government organisation for my analytics work on one of their processing pipelines.
- I have also developed ranking algorithms for a competitor form of Poker, produced a performance analysis on a 3rd party's electricity forecasting algorithms, and determined factors that correlated with poor sales growth for an outdoor activities retailer.

Monash University Clayton, Australia

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

2019

• Worked with Assoc. Prof. Tim Garoni on improving the results proved in my thesis. The outcome of this work, combined with the relevent parts from my thesis, is a working paper (detailed below).

University of Melbourne Melbourne Melbourne

• Tutored Linear Algebra (MAST10007)

Monash University Clayton, Australia

TEACHING ASSOCIATE

Tutor

2013 - 2014

2016 - 2018

• Tutored analysis of change (MTH1020) and differential geometry (MTH3110). Mentioned in student evaluations as one of the best parts of the differential geometry unit.

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AMSI SUMMER RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP

2012-2013

• Supervised by Prof. Kate Smith-Miles and Dr Davaatseren Baatar. Worked on optimising an instrument scheduler for Leica Microsystems.

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Relevant Skills

Programming

PYTHON, R, MATLAB, SQL, BASH

Tools

GIT, DOCKER, AWS (S3 AND ATHENA), TEX

Software_

deconvolve: Lead developer

Provides tools for performing non-parametric deconvolution of measurement error problems

2017 icon: Author

Embed SVG icons in R documents such as slides, reports and apps.

cricketdata: Author

International cricket data for men and women, Tests, ODIs, and T20s.

Awards & Achievements _____

AWARDS

2020	Winner of the annual 'power of mathematics' award	Biarri Optimisation
2012-2014 Science dean's list fellowship award		Monash University
2011	Premier's VCE award for mathematics	VCAA
2010	Australian Student Prize	VCAA
2010	Australian Defence Force Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork award	ADF

SCHOLARSHIPS

2015	ACEMS top-up scholarship	ACEMS
2015	Australian Postgraduate Award	Australian
		Government
2014	Monash jubilee honours scholarship	Monash University
2011	Science merit scholarship	Monash University

COMPETITIONS

2017	Winner 'Advanced sampling & exploration competition'	ACEMS
2016	Special mention 'Advanced sampling & exploration competition'	ACEMS
2015	Winner 'Advanced sampling & exploration competition'	ACEMS

Publications

RESEARCH PAPERS

- 1. Collevecchio, A, TM Garoni, T Hyndman, and D Tokarev (2016). The Worm Process for the Ising Model is Rapidly Mixing. *J. Stat. Phys.* **164**(5), 1082–1102.
- 2. Collevecchio, A, TM Garoni, T Hyndman, and E Zhou (2018). *The coupling time for the Ising heat-bath dynamics*. Working Paper.
- 3. Delaigle, A, T Hyndman, and T Wang (2019). *deconvolve-package: Deconvolution tools for measurement error problems*. Working Paper.