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Education

University of Waterloo

Waterloo, ON

Ph.D. Statistics

May 2019 - Present

ETH Zürich (ESOP Scholar)

Zürich, ZH

M.Sc. Statistics, Computer Vision Specialization; Grade: 5.5

Thesis: Seen to Be Done: A Graphical Analysis of Peremptory Challenge (Supervisor: Marloes Maathuis)

Sept. 2017 - Mar. 2019

University of Waterloo

Waterloo, ON

B.Math Statistics; Average: 93%

Sept. 2013 - June 2017

Selected Coursework

Programming with R for Reproducible Research, Statistical Learning Theory, Data Science in TSE Systems, Advanced Topics in Computational Statistics, Applied Multivariate Statistics, Statistical Learning - Classification, Data Visualization, Forecasting, Statistical Learning - Function Estimation, Stochastic Processes, Statistical Methods for Process Improvements, Estimation and Hypothesis Testing

Skills

Computer: R (ggplot2, lme4, tm, MASS, shiny), Python (pandas, Matplotlib, NumPy, Scikit-learn, PyTorch), MATLAB, Linux/UNIX, Git, SQL, Microsoft Office, Bash, Jupyter

Methods and Algorithms: Dimension Reduction, Data Visualization, Machine Learning, Time Series, Experimental Design and Analysis, Sampling Methods, (Computational) Statistical Analysis, Statistical Learning, Text Analysis

Interpersonal: Teamwork, Public Speaking, Leadership, Teaching, Writing, Time Management

Professional Experience

Environics Analytics

Toronto, ON

Data Development Intern

May 2017 - Aug. 2017

Data Extraction Extracted and processed Canadian demographic data using SQL and R.

Algorithm Development Demonstrated the inefficiency of typical small area demographic microsimulation methods using a Markov Chain model and implemented an improved simulated annealing algorithm in both R and MATLAB.

Research and Development Intern

May 2016 - Aug. 2016

Data Science Cleaned, prepared, and analysed complex Canadian demographic data using time series, high dimensional data visualization, and standard analytic approaches such as linear models.

Model Construction Conceived and constructed a stochastic model to solve a complex constrained network flow problem and implemented the resulting algorithm efficiently in both R and MATLAB.

Big Data Leveraged social media text data, high volume call centre data, and demographic data to provide functional frameworks for further development.

University of Waterloo

Waterloo, ON

Undergraduate Research Assistant

May 2015 - Aug. 2015

High Dimensional Computational Statistics Implemented a novel approach to determining copula parameters in the nested and non-nested Archimedean cases using approximate Bayesian computation in R.

Projects

Predicting Fracture Displacement (Zürich, 2018) Applied data visualization and classification methods in R to six years of retrospective data from Kinderspital Zurich to assist in determining the relative risk of secondary displacement of phalangeal fractures

Evaluating Cyclist Risk in Zürich (Zürich, 2018) Extracted bicycle incident data and traffic volumes from public APIs using Python, processed this data using kernel density estimation to estimate risk, and implemented an interactive application to suggest routes based on this risk

CRISPier (Waterloo, 2015) Modelled the CRISPR-Cas9 system using stochastic and differential equation models for the award-winning 2015 Waterloo iGEM team in both R and Python; developed a number of statistical tests to monitor and compare results

Publications

Christopher Salahub and R. Wayne Oldford. About "her emails". Significance, 15(3):34-37, 2018.

Volunteer Experience

Federation of Students

Waterloo, ON

Off Campus Community Coordinator

May 2016 - Apr. 2017

Leadership Assembled and directed a team of thirty three volunteers assisting students with the transition to university life

Administration Planned a volunteer training weekend and the orientation programming for several hundred first year students, administered budgets, and delegated tasks