

# APRIL WALKER

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Teaching Assistant

#### University of Arkansas

📅 Aug. 2018 - Present

📍 Fayetteville, AR

##### Math Department

- Developing and teaching biweekly lessons in Calculus, tutoring students in various math courses, and assisting professors in proctoring and grading exams.

### Data Science Intern

#### The Hartford

📅 May 2019 - Aug. 2019

📍 Hartford, CT

- Collaborated on Python based "Proof of Concept" to determine the predictive power of third party datasets.
- Developed R codebase to explore and compare performance of dimension reduction and feature selection techniques.
- Gained experience using R and Python on cloud infrastructure to run models while managing resources.

### Big Data Engineer Intern

#### L3-Concept

📅 Jun. 2017 - Aug. 2017

📍 Rockwall, TX

- Developed a new Apache Maven library using Java and SQLite
- Used Akka to integrate a Scala Rest API into an existing Java project
- Gained experience using version-control repositories (git-based) in a professional setting.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

#### University of Arkansas

📍 Fayetteville, AR

📅 Oct. 2018 - Aug. 2019

##### Dr. Cheng's Climate Science Lab

- Utilizing various statistical inference methods with a focus on the Bayesian approach to predict extreme temperature events with nonstationary models in R.

📅 Aug. 2016 - Dec. 2018

##### Dr. Lehmer's Astrophysics Lab

- Participated in various collaborative and personal projects related to x-ray binary research utilizing Python, Bash, Tcl, and R in conjunction with astronomical software (CIAO and XSPEC).
- Gained experience pre-processing, binning, and visualizing noisy datasets using standard Python libraries.

## EDUCATION

### University of Arkansas

📍 Fayetteville, AR

### Masters of Science

📅 Expected May 2020

- Field: Statistics and Analytics
- GPA: 3.76
- Relevant Coursework: Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Computational Statistics

### Bachelor of Science

📅 May 2018

- Major: Physics
- Concentration: Computational Physics
- Minor: Mathematics

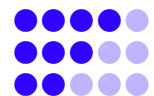
## TECHNICAL SKILLS

### Programming Languages

R, Python

SQL, MATLAB, Java, C/C++

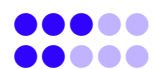
Scala, Rust



### Big Data/ ML Technologies

Hadoop/HDFS, h2o.ai

PySpark, TensorFlow, sklearn



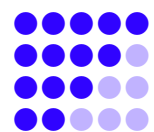
### Other Technical Skills

GNU/Linux

Excel, Jupyter

Bash/Shell, git, Vim

AWS



## REFERENCES

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