RONALD KWAN

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Interests Machine learning/computational statistics, especially applied to the biological and social sciences.

Skills Python, Java, C, JavaScript, MATLAB, R, SQL, LATEX

Education

UC Berkeley (Berkeley, CA)

Graduation: 05/2016

B.A. Computer Science, Mathematics, and Statistics GPA: 3.65 (cumulative), 3.90 (CS)

Coursework includes AI/machine learning, algorithms, systems, linear algebra, analysis, probability, and statistics.

Research

UC Berkeley (Berkeley, CA) Supervisor: Thomas L. Griffiths 02/2015 – present

Modeling and simulations of wishful thinking of agents in Markov decision processes. [Python, SciPy stack]

UC Berkeley (Berkeley, CA) Supervisor: Rasmus Nielsen 02/2014 – present

Efficient implementation of the chi-squared test, comparing k-mer distributions in genomic datasets.

Carnegie Mellon University (Pittsburgh, PA) Supervisor: Cosma Shalizi 05/2015 - 07/2015

Network analysis of functional connectivity in fMRI with a novel measure of coordination. [Python, SciPy stack]

Georgia State University (Atlanta, GA) Supervisor: Robert Harrison 05/2014 - 07/2014

Developed an ensemble method for data classification using multiobjective optimization. [Python, SciPy stack]

UC Berkeley (Berkeley, CA)

Supervisor: Laurent El Ghaoui

09/2013 - 12/2013

Automated processing and analysis of PDF news articles using optical character recognition (OCR). [bash]

Employment

Qualcomm Inc. (Boulder, CO) Engineering Intern 06/2013 - 08/2013

Improved cross-platform compatibility for OS libraries, replacing hardcoded settings with configuration files. [C]

Sandia National Labs (Livermore, CA) Technical Intern 06/2012 - 08/2012

Ensured data integrity and authenticity, by integrating digital signatures into simulation software. [Java]

Teaching

UC Berkeley (Department of EECS) CS 70 Reader/Tutor 09/2015 - present

Grading assignments and tutoring students in CS 70, Discrete Mathematics and Probability Theory.

UC Berkeley (Department of EECS) CS 61A Group Tutor 01/2015 - 05/2015

Tutoring and giving coding feedback for students in CS 61A, Structure and Interpretation of Computer Programs.

UC Berkeley (Department of EECS) CS 61A Tutor/Lab Assistant 09/2014 - 12/2014

Teaching students concepts of introductory computer science, in both labs and individual tutoring sessions.

UC Berkeley (Department of EECS)

CS 161 Reader

02/2014 - 05/2014

Grading assignments for CS 161, Computer Security.

Other Experience

UC Berkeley (Department of EECS) Computer Science Peer Advisor 09/2014 - present

Advising students on academic and logistical issues related to the computer science program at UC Berkeley.

Berkeley Math Tournament

Chief Technology Officer

09/2012 - present

Leading development of web apps used in K-12 math contests. [Python, Django] (http://bmt.berkeley.edu)

Personal Technical Projects

09/2012 - present

Adventures in data analysis and web development. [Python, R, JavaScript] (http://rkwan.me/projects/)