# Dr. James Edwards

STATISTICIAN · DATA SCIENTIST · OPERATIONAL RESEARCHER

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# Experience \_\_\_\_\_

#### **University of Lancaster**

Senior Research Associate 2017 - 2019

- · An industrial application in dynamic pricing
- · Programmed a pricing algorithm

#### **University of Lancaster**

Graduate Teaching Assistant 2012 - 2017

- Assisting with tutorials and marking for units in Statistics, Probability, R, Latex, and Business Analytics.
- · Course convenor for R progamming

# Education \_\_\_\_\_

#### **University of Lancaster**

Ph.D. STATISTICS AND OPERATIONAL RESEARCH

2012 - 2016

· Details about thesis

#### **University of Lancaster**

M.Res. Statistics and Operational Research, Distinction

2011 - 2012

#### **University of Lancaster**

M.Sc. in Operational Research and Management Science, Distinction

2010 - 2011

#### **The Open University**

B.Sc. Mathematics and Statistics. First Class

2000 - 2008

• Studied part time due to illness

# Key skills \_\_\_\_\_

**R Expertise** Rstudio, Markdown, Tidyverse, Shiny

**Optimisation** Sequential decision problems, dynamic pricing, stochastic optimisation

**Machine Learning** Statistical modelling,

## Publications \_\_\_\_\_

#### **JOURNAL ARTICLES**

**Edwards, J. and Leslie, D.**, Selecting Multiple Web Adverts - a Contextual Multi-armed Bandit with

State Uncertainty.

Journal of the Operational Research Society

Edwards, J., Fearnhead, P. and Glazebrook, K., On the Identification and Mitigation of Weaknesses in the Knowledge Gradient Policy for Multi-Armed Bandits

Probability in the Engineering and Informational Sciences.

#### **BOOK CHAPTER**

# Grants \_\_\_\_\_

2014	STOR-i research fund, Organise UCLID conference	£6,000
2013	<b>Academic visit</b> , Funding for a two week visit by Peter Frazier to Lancaster University.	£2,000

## Interests \_\_\_\_\_

**Professional** Optimisation, recommeder systems, multi-armed bandits

**Personal** Cycling and fell running.