Ian Waudby-Smith

Education

2018 - present **PhD, Biostatistics**, *University of Washington*, Seattle, WA.

2013 - 2018 BMath, Joint Honours in Pure Mathematics & Statistics (Co-op), University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON. With Distinction - Dean's Honours List

Mathematical Sciences (study abroad), Norwegian University of Science Fall 2017 and Technology (NTNU), Trondheim, Norway.

Research Experience

May 2016 - Research Assistant, Health Data Science Lab, Waterloo, ON.

present Supervisors: Dr. Joel Dubin & Dr. Joon Lee, Health Data Science Lab

• Sentiment analysis and mortality in intensive care patients — link to paper.

Apr - Aug 2017 Research Assistant, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON.

Supervisor: Dr. Pengfei Li, Department of Statistics & Actuarial Science

• Robust statistical tests for zero-inflated data — link to R package.

Jan - Apr 2017 Research Assistant, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON, Canada.

Supervisor: Dr. Yu-Ru Liu, Department of Pure Mathematics

o Sieve methods in analytic number theory.

Jan - Apr 2016 Student Analyst - Strategic Analytics, Cancer Care Ontario, Toronto, ON. Supervisor: Dr. Zhihui (Amy) Liu, Dalla Lana School of Public Health, University of Toronto

> o Multi-state models for forecasting chronic kidney disease progression link to conference poster.

Industry Experience

Jan - Apr 2016 Student Analyst - Strategic Analytics, Cancer Care Ontario, Toronto, ON.

Supervisor: Dr. Zhihui (Amy) Liu, Dalla Lana School of Public Health, University of **Toronto**

- Developed a model in R to predict prevalence of chronic kidney disease in Ontario.
- Performed Monte Carlo simulation.
- o Wrote algorithms to quantify similarity between cancer treatments.

Apr - Aug 2015 **R&D Developer**, *DST Systems (c/o IFDS)*, Toronto, ON.

- Developed a MapReduce program to perform fuzzy string comparison.
- Wrote an XML to CSV converter for use with Hadoop's Distributed File System.
- o Built a distributed application on the Ethereum blockchain network.
- o Designed and built a Ruby on Rails application for a technology conference.

Sept - Dec **Developer**, PureFacts Financial Solutions, Toronto, ON.

- 2014 o Implemented an error handling pattern for fail-safe API calls.
 - Created a tool similar to 'git stash' for subversion.
 - o Developed a web application for employee time-tracking.

- Jan Apr 2014 **Software Developer**, *Leonardo Worldwide Corporation*, Toronto, ON.
 - Managed and delegated support tasks to a team of developers.
 - Wrote scripts to optimize retrieval and storage of images and videos.
 - o Created a video encoding scheme for multiple file formats and resolutions.

Presentations & Projects

Sept 2017 rbtt, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON.

Developed and currently maintain an R package to perform robust inference on non-negative, zero-inflated data. Created with Dr. Pengfei Li at the University of Waterloo.

- Jun 2016 44th Annual Meeting, Statistical Society of Canada, St. Catherines, ON. Multi-state models for chronic kidney disease prevalence projections in Ontario (poster presentation).
- Jun 2016 4th Student Conference, Statistical Society of Canada, St. Catherines, ON. Multi-state models for chronic kidney disease prevalence projections in Ontario (oral presentation).
- Apr 2016 Research Day 2016, Cancer Care Ontario, Toronto, ON. Sequence analysis of patient-care pathways: A study of colorectal cancer in Ontario (poster presentation).
- Sept 2015 **HackTheNorth**, *University of Waterloo*, Waterloo, ON.
 - Visualized the sentiment of tweets referring to Canadian political parties.
 - o Retrieved tweets using the python library, tweepy.
- Feb 2015 **DeltaHacks**, *McMaster University*, Hamilton, ON.
 - Made Wikipedia accessible via SMS using Twilio and the Wikipedia API.

Computational Skills

languages

Programming R, Python, Java, C++, Scheme, JavaScript

Technologies SQL, Linux, git, Hadoop, LATEX

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- 2018 2019 UW Top Scholar Recruitment Award, University of Washington, Seattle, WA.
- 2017 2018 David Johnston International Experience Award, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON.
- 2016 2017 NSERC Undergraduate Student Research Award, The Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada.
- 2016 2017 President's Research Award (1), University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON.
- 2016 2017 President's Research Award (2), University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON.
- 2013 2014 University of Waterloo President's Scholarship of Distinction, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON.
- 2012 2013 **Top Ontario Scholar**, *Peel District School Board*, Region of Peel, ON.