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ALEX CHIN

I'm a statistician and data scientist interested in hybrid work that blends engineering, data science, and applied statistics.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Data Science R&D Intern, Civis Analytics, Chicago, IL

Summer 2018

- Developed and engineered scalable statistical methodology for media attribution
- Worked with cross-functional teams across R&D, engineering, and consulting to deliver product solutions for commercial and political clients

Core Data Science Intern, Experimental Design and Causal Inference, Facebook, Menlo Park, CA Summer 2017

- · Developed optimal design and analysis tools for experimentation on the Messenger and WhatsApp platforms
- Built regression-adjusted estimators into Facebook's system for adaptive experimentation and Bayesian optimization
- Presented work at the Conference on Digital Experimentation (CODE) in October 2017

Modeling Science Intern, Quantcast, San Francisco, CA

Summer 2016

• Built a MapReduce EM algorithm into the core ML product for large-scale classification in display advertising

CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECTS

My research focuses on causal inference and machine learning with applications to social and online settings.

- Regression estimators for network interference
- Randomization inference with generative adversarial networks (with Dean Eckles)
- Stochastic seeding strategies in networks (with Dean Eckles and Johan Ugander)

EDUCATION

Stanford University, Ph.D. Statistics, in progress

Sept 2014–June 2019 (expected)

• Passed qualifying exams (August 2015) and filed for candidacy (June 2016)

North Carolina State University, B.S. Mathematics and B.S. Economics, minor in Linguistics

2010-2014

- Valedictorian, Phi Beta Kappa (inducted as a sophomore), and summα cum laude
- Park Scholarship (four-year full scholarship and enrichment program)
- College of Sciences Outstanding Scholarship Award

TECHNOLOGIES

- Tools: Python, R, SQL/Hive/Presto, Java, C/C++, Julia, MATLAB, Unix/Linux, Hadoop/MapReduce
- Technical knowledge: Machine learning, statistical and causal inference, experimental design, adversarial networks, graph and network analysis, Bayesian and variational methods

SELECTED COURSEWORK

- CS 229T: PhD Theory of machine learning (as TA)
- Stats 305C: PhD Multivariate statistics (as TA)
- Stats 305A: PhD Linear models (as TA)
- · Applied statistics and modeling
- Theoretical statistics and probability

- Causal inference
- Monte Carlo/MCMC
- Optimization
- Computer systems and programming
- Artificial intelligence