

# APRIL J. HARRY

## STATISTICAL DATA SCIENTIST

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### SKILLS

**LANGUAGES:** R (advanced), C, Python, SQL

**TOOLS:** SAS, SPSS, Flask, AWS, Google APIs

**DATA ANALYSIS:** Statistics, Spatial data, Machine Learning

### EXPERIENCE

#### 2018 INSIGHT DATA SCIENCE FELLOW

- Implemented [sponView](#), a Python-based Support Vector Machine classification algorithm for identifying sponsored content in YouTube videos based on captions.
- Pulled >1,000 video captions from YouTube's API, stored them in a SQL database
- Deployed algorithm through a Google Chrome extension and web app powered by Flask, hosted on Amazon Web Services.

#### 2016-2018 RESEARCH TECHNICIAN, NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

- Refined R implementation of model estimation algorithm, improving efficiency >10-fold and expanding applicability to more general experimental designs.
- Developed an R package ([msiCompare](#)).
- Submitted 1st-authored manuscript to a peer-reviewed journal.

#### 2015-2016 GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT, PURDUE UNIVERSITY

- Developed a Bayesian statistical modeling and testing framework for molecular imaging data, in order to identify differences in the composition of biological tissues.
- Prototyped a Markov Chain Monte Carlo estimation algorithm for the model in R.
- Simulated >50,000 images for model evaluation, concluding that the contributed model showed improved sensitivity and specificity over existing methods.
- Co-maintained the R package Cardinal, winner of the 2015 John C. Chambers statistical software award from the American Statistical Association.
- Presented 2 conference talks and contributed to 2 peer reviewed publications.

#### 2015 GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT, PURDUE UNIVERSITY

- Instructed ~60 students on data analysis in the SPSS statistical computing software.

#### 2013 SUMMER INTERN, IBM RESEARCH ALMADEN

- Evaluated the performance of a statistical method for predicting the sources of food-borne illness epidemics, based on spatially-registered shopping data.
- Contributed to 1 peer-reviewed publication.

### EDUCATION

2012-2017 **PHD IN STATISTICS**, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

2010-2012 **MS IN APPLIED STATISTICS**, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

2006-2010 **BS IN MATHEMATICS**, Xavier University of Louisiana, New Orleans, LA