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Short Bio: I am a motivated, passionate, analytical data scientist, economist, and software developer. I graduated with a double major from the **University of Pittsburgh** in **Economics-Statistics** and **Computer Science**. My philosophy is to keep learning new skills and refining existing skills as business needs and technology rapidly change. I have been unable to work since the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic because of caretaking responsibilities for my disabled mother (Multiple Sclerosis) and recovery of a torn labrum surgery (shoulder).

Education

Bachelor of Science: Economics-Statistics and Computer Science

University of Pittsburgh

September 2015 – December 2019

- **Overall GPA of 3.6/4.0**
- **Economics-Statistics GPA of 3.7/4.0**
- **Magna Cum Laude**
- **Computer Science GPA of 3.6/4.0**
- Coursework: Software Engineering, Database Management, Statistical/Machine Learning, Artificial Intelligence, Stochastic Processes, Data Structures, Algorithms, *Expanded Section Page 4*

Work Experience

Front End Developer and Project Liaison

Contractor for The Process Consultant, Pittsburgh, PA

05/2019 – 08/2019

- Automated migration of content to new application for clients.
- Facilitated communication between senior management and the technical team.
- Delivered recommendations on technologies to be integrated within application.
- Enhanced user-interface allowing clients and users to easily upload and navigate content.

Front End Developer, Intern

Imagine Careers, Pittsburgh, PA

05/2017 – 08/2017

- Created a dashboard view allowing users to modify account policies.
- Collaborated with team to improve search and filtering capabilities.
- Implemented feature to narrow user search results for accurate results.

Barista, Crazy Mocha, Pittsburgh, PA

08/2016 – 10/2018

Software Developer/Engineer Skills

Programming Languages:

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| Python (Best/Preferred Language) | Java | Ruby |
| JavaScript | HTML | CSS |
| C | PHP (Familiar) | |

Databases, Frameworks:

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| Flask (Python) | SQL (PostgreSQL, Oracle DB) |
| Cypher (Graph Database Query Language) | Angular (TypeScript, JavaScript) |

Libraries:

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| jQuery (JavaScript) | SQL-Alchemy (Python, ORM) | Gunicorn (Python App Server) |
| PyTest (Unit-Testing Python) | Alembic (Database Migration) | |

Software:

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| Unix/Linux | Heroku | Excel |
| Git (GitHub, GitLab) | STATA | Minitab |
| Virtual Machines (Hyper-V) | Tableau | JetBrains (IDE) |
| Visual Studio (IDE) | Eclipse (IDE) | Atom (IDE) |

Other Software Developer/Engineer Skills:

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| Software Design Lifecycle (SDLC) | Test-Driven Development |
| Agile Development | AJAX Web Applications |
| Full-Stack Development (Personal Website) | Quality Assurance, Automated/Unit Testing |
| Database Management (SQL) | Front End Development |
| REST APIs | Content Management System (CMS) |

Data Scientist and Statistician Skills

Programming Languages and Tools:

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| Python (Anaconda Dist.) | R | MATLAB |
| Minitab | STATA | Microsoft Excel |
| Tableau | | |

Data Analysis Skills + Methods:

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| Multiple Linear Regression | Statistical Learning |
| Bootstrap (Cross-Validation) | Ensemble Methods (Random Forest, Boosting) |
| Time Series Analysis | Convolutional Neural Networks |
| Stochastic Processes | Support Vector Machines |
| Linear/Quadratic Discriminant Analysis | Unsupervised Clustering (KNN, K-Means) |
| Dimension Reducing Methods | Agent-Based Modeling |
| Bias-Variance Tradeoff | |

Python Libraries:

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| Pandas | NumPy | PyTest (Unit-Testing) |
| Scikit-Learn | Matplotlib | |

R Libraries:

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| Tidyverse (Data Tidying) | AstsA (Time Series Analysis) |
| Gbm (Generalized Boosted Models) | Dplyr (Data Management) |
| GGPlot (Plotting and Graphing) | Boot (Bootstrap Resampling) |
| RandomForest (Random Forest Modeling) | Gam (Generalized Additive Modeling) |

Coursework

Computer Science:

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| Software Engineering | Artificial Intelligence |
| Computer Vision | Data Science |
| Software Quality Assurance | Database Management Systems |
| Data Structures | Algorithm Implementation |
| Systems Software | Operating Systems |
| Formal Methods in Computer Science | Discrete Structures |
| Web Application Design | |

Statistics:

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| Statistical Learning | Applied Time Series |
| Multiple Linear Regression | Mathematical Probability |
| Stochastic Processes | Mathematical Statistics |
| Principles of Data Science | |

Economics:

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| Seminar in Market Manias, Panics, Crashes | Intermediate Macroeconomics |
| Public Economics | Intermediate Microeconomics |
| Game Theory | Econometrics |

Personal Programming Projects + Applications

Project Status Key:

Continuous: A project or work that is long-term and ongoing. These projects often are designed to never really finish, but to have continual updates of content and improvements to functions.

Completed: A project or work that is completed with no plans for future additions to it. Bug fixing will continue, but the changes should be very minimal.

Maintaining/Maintenance Phase: A project or work that is released in a stable/acceptable condition, however future additions or changes to content may occur. Potentially, a project or work may have future planning and designing for future functionality or content.

Current: A project or work that is currently being built, developed, analyzed, or planned (depending on the details of either software, economic analysis, or statistical analysis). There should be at most 3 projects that are considered current at a given time.

Future: Primitive state for a project or work. There has been some planning, but the planning is not finalized. The project/work is not being worked on.

Personal Website and Portfolio

July 2020 – Present (Continuous Project)

<https://andrew-morgan-website.herokuapp.com/>

- Developing personal website to display my portfolio of current and past projects.
- Integrating personal and group projects from before and after university.
- Designing simple, responsive, yet attractive user interface.
- Developed with **Python (Flask)**, **PostgreSQL**, **JavaScript**, **jQuery**, **AJAX**, **Bootstrap**, **CSS**, **HTML**, and **Heroku**.
- Components of Website:
 - My resume, CV, and introduction to who I am and what I am interested in.
 - Exhibits personal projects from academic blog posts (typically focused on economic theory) to a simple Sudoku Solver to CRUD (Create, Read, Update, Delete) applications like my Website Tracker App and CraigVersity.
 - A repository to track and display my progress as I improve my ability and skills.

Website Metadata Tracker Application

Jan 2021 – Present (Maintenance Phase)

<https://andrew-morgan-website.herokuapp.com/website-tracker/>

- Designed application to track website's metadata, bug reports, feature requests, users, and content updates.
- Integrated bug reporting system into Navbar for easy bug documentation throughout site.
- Implemented user authentication system allowing users to create, edit, and request bug reports and features.
- Maintaining application and correcting bugs found, while designing future functionality.
- Developed with **Python (Flask)**, **PostgreSQL**, **JavaScript**, **HTML**, and **CSS**.

Personal Programming Projects + Applications CONT.

Sudoku Solver

June 2021 (Completed Project)

<https://andrew-morgan-website.herokuapp.com/programming-repo/sudoku-solver>

- Built and designed program to solve N by N Sudoku puzzles (like 9x9, 6x6, or 12x12 puzzles).
- Optimized performance by 95% after implementing searching heuristics and inferencing.
- Deployed program to my website with enhanced UI for Sudoku puzzle formatting.
- Built using **Python**, **JavaScript**, **jQuery**, **AJAX**, **CSS**, **HTML**

Agent-Based Modeling

06/2021 – Present (Current Project)

<https://andrew-morgan-website.herokuapp.com/agent-based-modeling>

- **Content not yet released on website or GitHub. Should be ready by August 2021.**
- Agent-based modeling creates a system of many independent, autonomous agents that decide on actions based on their perceptions, often helping to understand the resulting system-level, macro-level trends.
- Capturing macro-level phenomena by simulating the interactions of individual, autonomous agents.
- Constructing a composition-based framework to simulate different systems with parameters to analyze.
- Implemented the Schelling Segregation and Forest Fire models with editable parameters.
- Integrating into my website with trend analyses and visualizations using **JavaScript** and **Python**.
- Learning by applying skillset of economics, statistics, and programming to new domain of problems.
- Developing with **Python** for logic and **JavaScript**, **jQuery**, **HTML**, **CSS** for visualization.

Academic Blog Post Management System

Future Project (Planning Phase)

<https://andrew-morgan-website.herokuapp.com/my-posts/>

- **Basic features implemented by September 2021. (Depends on website migration to Django)**
- Designing simple, lightweight content management system for my academic blog posts.
- Implementing a blog post content tracker to manage web page content, asset location, and searchability.
- Future features include user authentication system for commenting and liking/disliking posts, REST API for functionality, generating HTML page for specified post, filtering and searching through my posts easily (Elasticsearch potentially).

School Programming Projects + Applications

CraigVersity Application

Sept 2019 – Dec 2019 (Completed Project)

<https://andrew-morgan-website.herokuapp.com/craigversity>

- Led 4 other classmates in software engineering project as lead programmer.
- Deployed prototype of application like Craigslist, a place for bringing sellers and buyers together.
- Documented project following the **waterfall software design lifecycle** (SDLC).
- Developed with **Python (Flask)**, SQLite3/**PostgreSQL**, **JavaScript**, HTML, and CSS.

Data Analysis of the Human Freedom Index

Jan 2019 – May 2019 (Completed)

<https://andrew-morgan-website.herokuapp.com/my-posts/posts/3>

- Analyzed a large, high dimensional dataset quantifying human freedom with a team of 5 classmates.
- Performed statistical methods with **R** including linear regression, QDA, LDA, dimension reduction, random forest.
- Performed data analysis, wrote reports detailing findings, and presented results as team.
- Identified most significant variables affecting the country's human freedom with **statistical/machine learning**.

Convolutional Neural Network Classifier

Completed Project

- Built neural network utilizing transfer learning with **AlexNet** within **MATLAB** classifying scenery in images.
- Improved classifier results from 30% to 75% with CNN and transfer learning.
- Designed a small, 3-layered CNN with specified activation functions.

Coffee House Database Management System

Completed Project

- Designed database system for hypothetical chain coffee shop in team of 5 in the database course.
- Implemented successful command-line application using **Java** and **Oracle** to follow **ACID** principles.
- Ensured concurrency issues were discovered and resolved without leading to data inconsistency.

Ruby Rush TDD Project

Completed Project

- Created a game where the player tries to mine the most rubies in a specified timeframe.
- Followed test-driven development techniques to ensure high unit test coverage in **Ruby**.
- Automated testing with Minitest (**unit-testing**) and SimpleCov (**code coverage**).

Written Academic-Styled and Blog-Styled Papers and Posts

The Overview of the 2008 Housing Bubble and Aftermath

<https://andrew-morgan-website.herokuapp.com/my-posts/posts/2>

- Explored the primary reason for the 2008 housing crisis and preceding mania.
- Studied how irrational exuberance created the foundation of the mania.
- Explained how the leveraged investment banks caused a financial blackhole when the panic set in.

Study of the USA's Increasing Human Capital Throughout the 20th Century

<https://andrew-morgan-website.herokuapp.com/my-posts/posts/1>

- Highlighted the trends of schooling throughout the 20th century within the United States.
- Analyzed how the growing human capital from increased schooling affected the economy.
- Explained the reason individuals pursued high school and university instead of immediate work.

Summary of Data Analysis of the Human Freedom Index

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Analysis of Education on Economic Metrics

<https://andrew-morgan-website.herokuapp.com/my-posts/collection/education-and-economics>

- Ongoing collection of my academic blog posts relating to education and economic metrics.
- Analyzing various datasets surrounding education, quality of life metrics, income, wealth, etc.
- Writing academic blog posts detailing findings from my analysis and research of other papers.