

# Alger B. Remirata

DATA SCIENTIST · RESEARCH SCIENTIST  
MS MATHEMATICS

EXTENSIVE BACKGROUND IN HEALTHCARE/BIO TECHNOLOGY, EXPERIENCE IN PAYMENTS AND RISK ANALYTICS

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## Highlights

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Singapore(5 years), PH(5 years)

DATA SCIENCE/RESEARCH (HEALTHCARE, PAYMENTS/ECOMMERCE)

May 2013 - Present

- More than nine years of experience in data science starting from ideation, research, development, deployment and maintenance
- Vast experience with machine learning (supervised, unsupervised, semi-supervised)
- Experience in deep learning (convolutional neural networks, recurrent neural networks, transformer models)
- Comprehensive experience with various databases (MSSQL/Postgres, MongoDB, Neo4j, DynamoDB/Athena, Big Query, Elasticsearch)
- Significant experience with big data analytics such as Apache Spark (PySpark, Scala), Hive, Hadoop
- Substantial experience in Data Visualization, Natural Language Processing, Speech Analytics, Signal Processing, Computer Vision
- Diverse and well-rounded skills in handling various datasets: transactional data, application interaction data, content data, healthcare claims data, clinical data, physiological data, wearable signal data, text data, audio data, images, videos, etc.)
- For more details, please visit my personal website: <https://aremirata.github.io/>

## Corporate Work Experiences

### NEUROGLEE THERAPEUTICS PTE LTD

Singapore

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE SCIENTIST(BIOTECHNOLOGY, DIGITAL THERAPEUTICS)

November 2021 - October 2023

- **Product: Neuroglee Connect, NG001:**
  - *Visualization:* Design and construct visualization dashboards using Tableau, Bokeh, Holoviews and iPython widgets to create interactive visualization for reporting, data analytics and predictive analytics dashboard.
  - *Digital Signal Processing:* Design and construct machine learning based speech analytics pipeline to determine presence of cognitive impairment with features computed based on techniques from audio signal analysis, digital signal processing and natural language.
  - *Natural Language Processing:* Design and create topic modeling and sentiment analytics pipeline for text and speech data coming from feedback, patient outcomes, digital assessment and reminiscence therapy to be used for digital therapeutics and personalized virtual care delivery.
  - *Recommendation System:* Collaborate with neuroscientists, data engineers and cross-functional teams to design and build recommendation system framework for personalized care delivery. The framework developed has been handed over to engineering team for application integration.
  - *Machine Learning* Collaborate with neuroscientist to identify, extract, process and analyze digital biomarkers from application interaction data, wearable, audio and text data coming from four main modules: games, learning, wellness and reminiscence.
  - *Predictive Analytics:* Plan, design and execute data and predictive analytics pipeline/framework and scope of work for the company's main product. Responsible for the creation of reporting, data analytics and predictive analytics dashboards that has been utilized by multiple departments including leadership, clinical operations, content, product, and technology teams.
  - *Data Collection:* Design, create and manage data collection processes and pipelines, ensuring data accuracy and integrity for the patient application. Experience with open-source customer data platforms such as rudderstack.

### JEWEL PAYMENTECH PTE LTD acquired by Advance AI in 2022

Singapore

SENIOR RESEARCH SCIENTIST (2020-2021)/ RESEARCH SCIENTIST (2018-2019)(PAYMENTS, ECOMMERCE)

November 2018 - November 2021

- Lead the data science team on its priority projects, objectives and key results. Work with the products team, engineering team, support team, professional services and devops for planning and decision making of the company's existing products. Conduct training and mentoring to junior research scientists and interns.
- **Product: Fraud Wall:**
  - *Graph-based Analytics:* Improve real-time fraud detection system by introducing new plugins based on trends identified by fraud analysts. The new plugins created decrease false negative rates obtained from chargeback resulting to less than 0.01 false negative rates across all clients.
  - *Autoencoders:* Enhance fraud detection models using autoencoder and one-class adversarial networks.
  - *Software Development:* Experience working with API supporting real-time fraud detection systems including logging, configuration setting and AI engine management. Strong experience in working with No-SQL databases demonstrated by successfully transitioning mongodb-based cloud application platform to elasticsearch. This technique allowed current cloud application to process concurrently 46 transactions per second from previously 23 transactions per second.
  - *Graph-based Analytics:* Experience in working with Graph databases. Extensive experience with Neo4j and graph-based models including creating queries, database setup, data migration and query optimization.
- **Product: One Sentry:**
  - *Natural Language Processing:* Build a recommendation engine to identify corresponding merchant categories based on their website contents. The recommendation engine achieves over 0.8 average F1-score on more than 60 categories.
  - *Visualization:* Develop interactive visualization using bokeh applications for fraud monitoring.

## **SAVVYSHERPA INC. integrated to Optum Labs since 2018**

Cebu City, Philippines

**DATA SCIENCE RESEARCHER** [FULL TIME PERMANENT] (HEALTHCARE ECONOMICS, CLINICAL RESEARCH)

May. 2013 - October 2018 (5.5 years)

- Reports to Head of Algorithms Team based in Draper, Utah, USA. Work with senior and principal scientist based in Utah, Minnesota and Cebu. Train junior researchers under the company's version of BYU's IMPACT program.
- **Product: UnitedHealthcare Motion:**
  - *Digital Signal Processing:* Develop machine learning and deep learning algorithms for bioidentity verification and activity recognition within the company's motion program by employing digital signal processing techniques on accelerometer data.
- **Product: Level 2: Diabetes Management:**
  - *Digital Signal Processing:* Construct algorithms for meal detection using digital signal processing from accelerometer and continuous glucose monitor. These algorithms has been integral during the early stages of level2.
- **Other Research Projects:**
  - *Natural Language Processing:* Create machine learning and deep learning framework to predict future diagnosis and cost of some chronic diseases using historical healthcare claims data.
  - *Natural Language Processing:* Construct tools for document query and disease comorbidities discovery using word embeddings trained from insurance claims data and medical text data. The trained word embedding has been used by the entire team as embedding layer for LSTM models used for disease progression projects.
  - *Big Data Analytics, Functional Programming:* Implement algorithms of matrix and tensor factorization in scala and Apache Spark. The algorithms created are used in an attempt to create scalable analytics tools in big data platforms that can be used for prediction problems and recommender systems, pattern discovery, community detection and anomaly analysis on large set of medical claims data from United Health Group.
  - *Factor Analysis:* Apply factor analysis techniques to discover latent demographic information of prepaid subscribers based on location and duration of calls they have made. The project is part of the client's marketing segmentation strategies.
  - *Machine Learning:* Apply supervised machine learning methods to predict sales and call duration for telemarketing cost optimization. The models has been successfully deployed to telemarketing operations of the client in European countries.
  - *SQL-based Data Processing:* Create advanced SQL (MSSQL (T-SQL), Hive, Postgres) queries to process healthcare claims data and aid in answering problems in healthcare such as medical adherence and risk computation. The tables generated has been utilized by other researchers for understanding medical adherence throughout an existing clinical program.

## **Academic Work Experiences**

### **SINGAPORE GENERAL HOSPITAL**

Singapore, Singapore

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE (DEPARTMENT OF NEURORADIOLOGY)

November 30, 2023 - Present

- **Publication:**
  - *Computer Vision:* Develop deep learning pipeline for brain lobe and tissue segmentation based on computed tomography (CT) images and magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)

## **Education**

### **UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES (LOS BAÑOS)**

Off-Campus Offering at UP-Cebu

**M.S. IN MATHEMATICS**

Aug. 2014 - June 23, 2018

- **Thesis:** *Compressed Separable Nonnegative Matrix Factorization With Random Projections and its Application to Biomedical Image Processing*
- Enter the graduate program after 1 year working in Savvysherpa. Manages to balance studying theoretical mathematics while learning skills in data science for work.

### **BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY**

Provo, Utah

**VISITING SHORT-TERM SCHOLAR**

June 5, 2017 - July 21, 2017

- Participant of Summer 2017 Interdisciplinary Mentoring Program in Analysis, Computation and Theory

### **UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES (CEBU)**

Lahug, Cebu City, Philippines

**B.S MATHEMATICS**

June 2007 - April 2011

- Department of Science and Technology scholar; Working student and a regular tutor while in the university

## **Skills and Technology**

- **Core Skills:** Python, Numpy, Scikit-Learn, Pandas, Natural Language Processing, Audio and Digital Signal Processing, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Statistical Analysis, Data Analytics, Data Visualization, Neuroscience, Biomedical Imaging
- **Big Data and Functional Programming:** Apache Spark, Scala, Dask, Hadoop
- **Deep Learning Programming:** Keras, TensorFlow, PyTorch, MXNet
- **Visualization:** Tableau, Bokeh, Matplotlib, Holoviews, Panel, Vega
- **Databases:** Elasticsearch, MongoDB, Neo4J, Redis, PostgreSQL, MSSQL, Google Big Query, AWS (Athena, Sagemaker)
- **Others:** Git, Bitbucket, Confluence, Latex, Linux, Unix, SQL, NLTK, Spacy, Haproxy, Sonarqube, Amazon S3, Flask, Kibana, Logstash, SearchGuard, AWS SSM, Supervisor, Apache, Rudderstack, JIRA, Confluence, Rudderstack, FSL, Freesurfer