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ARNAV SOOD

overview

I am a researcher and programmer working in computational economics. My projects include codebases for academic papers, open-source software packages, and lectures.

I have extensive experience with differential equations, Julia, and PyTorch. The latter includes logging frameworks, model debugging, execution on cloud instances like AWS DLAMI, and additional tools like PyTorch Lightning.

employment affiliations

Consulting Researcher/Programmer

June 2020 — Present

Clients Include: UBC, QuantEcon

University of British Columbia

June 2018 — June 2020

Predoctoral Fellow, supervised by Jesse Perla

Guest Lecturer

Member of Centre for Artificial Intelligence Design and Action

QuantEcon Jan. 2019 — Present

Lead Developer

Worked on lecture content, open-source packages, and infrastructure

publications projects

Exploiting Symmetry in High-Dimensional Dynamic Programming

w. coauthors

Uses PyTorch to accelerate the solution of economic models, by embedding economic facts in the neural approximator

Expectations.jl

Poster from JuliaCon 2020

Provides efficient expectation operators for univariate distributions, using Gaussian quadrature

InstantiateFromURL.jl

Talk from JuliaCon 2020

Allows Julia notebooks to refer to online dependency information, boosting reproducibility/mobility

PerlaTonettiWaugh.jl

Julia codebase for AER paper. Solves differential-algebraic system along transition and at steady state

KnowledgeDiffusionSimulations.jl

Implements large ensemble of jump diffusion equations and track index evolution

activities

Free Geek Vancouver

Volunteer Tech Support

Various Publications

Published Author, Fiction and Nonfiction

education

University of British Columbia

June 2018 — June 2020

Selected Courses, June 2018 — June 2020

New York University

B.A. Mathematics, 2018 Minors in Economics, Philosophy