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Citizenship: US Citizen, Canada PR

Interests

Behavioral, Learning, Information, Game Theory, Econometrics

Computational Skills

Julia, Python/Torch, Shell Scripting, Docker

Employment

Predoc, University of British Columbia 2018–2020

– Member of [Centre for Artificial Intelligence Design and Action](#)

Lead Developer, QuantEcon 2019–2020

Prior Experience 2014–2018

- Research Assistant to Laura Veldkamp
- Research Intern, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency
- Intern, Morgan Stanley
- Treespace Math/Bio REU (NSF Grant #14-61094)

Education

(In-Progress) Ph.D. Economics, Carnegie Mellon University 2021–2027

M.S. Economics, Carnegie Mellon University 2021–2023

B.A. Mathematics, New York University 2014–2018

Dual-Enrolled Math Student, Princeton University 2013

Working Papers

Ebrahimi Kahou, M., Fernández-Villaverde, J., Perla, J. & **Sood, A.** *Exploiting Symmetry in High-Dimensional Dynamic Programming* Working Paper 28981 (National Bureau of Economic Research, July 2021). <http://www.nber.org/papers/w28981>.

Works in Progress

Sood, A. & Best, J. *Frequentist Persuasion*

Software

[Expectations.jl](#): Quadrature operators for distributions.

[InstantiateFromURL.jl](#): Bind Jupyter notebooks to web-hosted dependency TOML.

Grants and Awards

Scholarly Project Funding, Carnegie Mellon for <i>Frequentist Persuasion</i>	2025
PNC Research Support Fund, PNC Center for Financial Services Innovation for <i>Frequentist Persuasion</i>	2025
William Larimer Mellon Fellowship, Carnegie Mellon	2021
Presidential Honors Scholar, New York University	2014
National Merit Scholarship Finalist	2014
Top 16, US National Science Bowl	2013
NJ Governor's School of Engineering & Technology	2013

Talks, Panels and Seminars (Workshops[†])

2025: Asian School in Economic Theory[†] (NYU ABU DHABI)
2024: SAET (U. CHILE), Theory Brown Bag (U. PITT.), Summer School in Economic Theory[†]
(poster, NORTHWESTERN — KELLOGG)
2023: PETCO (poster, PENN STATE), DSE Deep Learning[†] (U. LAUSANNE)
2022: ASSA “What Can AI Do in Economics?” (VIRTUAL), DSE Empirical Market Design[†]
(MIT)
2020: JuliaCon (poster and talk, VIRTUAL)

Teaching

CMU	Principles of Micro	2024
CMU (TA)	MBA Statistics, Econ, Optimization Classes	2023-2024
CMU (TA)	PhD Metrics, Computation, Macro Courses	2022-2024

Other Activities

Volunteer Tech Support, Free Geek Vancouver
Volunteer Teacher, Splash! (Various Universities)