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## ARNAV SOOD

overview

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

I have extensive experience in 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: Passive Holdings, 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.il

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