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EDUCATION

Georgia Institute of Technology

Aug 2024

Master of Science in Computational Data Analytics

Atlanta, GA

• Coursework: Machine Learning, Simulation, Statistics, Linear Algebra, Network Analysis, HPC

Virginia Tech

May 2023

Dual Degree: B.S. in Mechanical Engineering, B.S. in Computational Modeling & Data Analytics

Blacksburg, VA

• Awards: Summa Cum Laude (GPA: 3.83/4.0), Honors Laureate Diploma, President's List

EXPERIENCE

Georgia Tech College of Computing

Aug 2023 - Present

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Atlanta, GA

• Supported faculty in CSE 6040 - Computing for Data Analytics with grading and office hours.

NAVSEA Naval Surface Warfare Center Dahlgren Division

Aug 2022 - May 2023

Optimal Shock Damping for Improved Controllability of Antenna Test Fixture

Blacksburg, VA

Worked in specialized team to design and implement novel vibration equipment to simulate shock pulses.

• Achieved ~400% damping improvement and reduced cost by 80% compared to previous testing.

Virginia Tech Department of Agriculture & Applied Economics

May 2022 – Aug 2022

Software Development and Data Analytics Intern

Riobamba, EC

• Developed software to survey conservation agriculture, oversaw the maintenance and storage of data, and worked in R and Python to conduct statistics, data analytics, and data visualization.

Virginia Tech Student Athletic Academic Support Services

Aug 2021 - May 2022

Math Lecturer, Tutor

Blacksburg, VA

- Earned highest paid undergraduate position at Virginia Tech through calculus lectures.
- Improved student grades by 20-30% on average and attended training to improve teaching.

Virginia Tech Data Science for the Public Good

May 2021 - Aug 2021

Undergraduate Research Intern

Blacksburg, VA

- Accomplished 96-99% accuracy predicting vegetative health indices using machine learning algorithms.
- Reconstructed an eight-dimension poverty index for the Zimbabwe Statistical Agency and quantified poverty at the district and province level from 31,193 observations.

PROJECTS

Evaluating Linearized Echo State Networks, SINDy Framework, and Direct

Differentiation Methods for Dynamical System Modeling

Aug 2022 - May 2023

Advisor: Serkan Gugercin, Ph.D.

Blacksburg, VA

- Successfully applied linearized Echo State Network models to improve chaotic dynamical system models.
- Demonstrated ~20% more accuracy than SINDy when applied to the Lorenz System.

Eigenvalue Processing of Pendula Dynamics Advisor: Mark Embree, Ph.D.

Jan 2023 – May 2023 Blacksburg, VA

• Created image-tracking algorithm to compute eigenvalues of pendula dynamics within 1% of theoretical.

Dopamine, Mimicry, and Value Alignment: Artificial Intelligence and Addiction Advisor: Melinda Miller, Ph.D.

Jan 2023 – May 2023 Blacksburg, VA

• Illustrated six potential risks of drive-mimicry artificial intelligence and outlined economic externalities, ethical violations and human harm posed by AI-induced addiction.

SKILLS & CERTIFICATIONS

Data Science: Python (PyTorch, Tensorflow, Numpy, Pandas, Scikit-Learn, Dask), R, Tableau, SQL, MATLAB, Julia, C/C++, Java, Git, Linux, Optimization, Model Reduction, Parallel Computing, Web-Scraping **Engineering**: Fundamentals of Engineering (FE Mechanical) Certified, CFD, FEA, CAD/CMD, Controls **Languages**: English (native), Spanish (fluent)