# Blake Bullwinkel

# **EDUCATION**

Harvard University

Cambridge, MA

M.S. in Data Science. GPA 3.95/4.0.

 $May\ 2022$ 

Williamstown, MA

Williams College B.A. in Mathematics, Chinese. GPA 3.83/4.0 (cum laude).

June 2020

University of Oxford

Oxford, UK

Attended as part of the selective, year-long Williams-Exeter Program at Oxford (WEPO).

June 2019

#### Professional Experience

Microsoft Redmond, WA

Data Scientist

Aug 2022-Present

• Building ML models and pipelines to optimize host OS updates in Azure (Cloud + AI Group).

Harvard University

Teaching Fellow

Cambridge, MA Feb-May 2022

• Selected to assist professors in teaching of CS 109b: Advanced Topics in Data Science, a course focused on non-linear statistical methods and deep learning models, including CNNs, RNNs, LSTMs, autoencoders, and GANs.

PepsiCo R&D Valhalla, NY

 $Data\ Science\ \mathcal{C}\ Analytics\ Intern$ 

May-Aug 2021

- Developed Python package for anomaly detection of water usage time series using statistical and ML methods.
- Trained time series models (ARIMA, LSTM, FB Prophet) to forecast future water efficiency of 17 beverage plants.
- Developed an automated data pipeline with actionable insights in Power BI that has been adopted nationwide.

Marble Remote

Co-Founder

June 2020–Present

- Leading the development of a mobile app that provides carbon footprint estimates for 150,000+ grocery products.
- Team of six accepted into the 2021 Harvard i-lab Venture Program for three consecutive semesters.

## Selected Projects

#### Transfer Learning with Physics-Informed Neural Networks

Sept 2021-May 2022

- Developed a multi-head architecture and transfer learning procedure for efficient simulation of branched flows.
- Paper accepted to the Machine Learning and the Physical Sciences workshop at NeurIPS 2022 (arXiv).

# Generative Adversarial Network Methods for Solving Differential Equations

Feb 2021-May 2022

- Researched and developed methods to improve the training stability of DEQGAN, a generative adversarial network for solving differential equations, and developed novel transfer learning algorithms (GitHub).
- Paper accepted to the AI for Science workshop at ICML 2022 (arXiv).

### Harvard IQSS-Microsoft Collaboration on Differential Privacy

Sept 2021-May 2022

- Worked with Microsoft data scientists to research the fairness impact of differentially private synthetic data in ML.
- Paper accepted to the Theory and Practice of Differential Privacy (TPDP) workshop at ICML 2022 (arXiv).

# Honors and Awards

Certificate of Distinction in Teaching for CS109b based on student ratings (mean 4.67/5.0)	2022
IACS Student Scholarship to support data science thesis research (\$20,000 award)	2021
Goldberg Prize in Mathematics for the best mathematics colloquium (department-wide senior prize)	2020
Linen Prize in Chinese for achieving distinction in Chinese (department-wide senior prize)	2020
Carolyn Korthals Altes Scholarship for academics and potential to contribute to society	2019

# SKILLS AND INTERESTS

**Programming** Python (NumPy, pandas, sklearn, TensorFlow, PyTorch), R, SQL, HTML/CSS

Tools/Platforms Conda, Jupyter, Git, Docker, Kubernetes, Azure, AWS

Language Working proficiency in written and spoken Chinese (Mandarin)

Interests Rowing, photography, writing (Medium blog), Rubik's cube solving (WCA profile)