# J. BLAKE BULLWINKEL

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#### **EDUCATION**

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

Expected June 2022

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

Relevant coursework: Data Science I & II, Machine Learning, Artificial Intelligence, Systems Development.

Williams College, Williamstown, MA

June 2020

B.A. in Mathematics and Chinese. GPA 3.83/4.0 (cum laude)

University of Oxford, Oxford, UK

June 2019

Attended as a visiting student as part of the selective, year-long Williams-Exeter Program at Oxford.

UWCSEA (East Campus), Singapore

June 2016

IB Diploma. Highest grade (7) in HL math, physics, chemistry, Chinese. Class of '16 Graduation Student Speaker.

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Marble, Co-Founder

Summer 2020 to Present

- Developing an eco-social app that uses ML and NLP to estimate carbon footprint from grocery purchases.
- Accepted into the 2021 Harvard i-lab Spring Venture Program and leading a team of 3 (getmarble.app).

## Institute for Human and Machine Cognition, Data Science Intern

Jan 2020

- Used Python and PostgreSQL for cleaning, management and visualization of flight simulation data.
- Used hypothesis testing to justify correlations between physiological indicators in pilots and flight performance.

#### Zola Electric, Digital Platforms Intern

Summer 2019

- Conducted software and sales model market research and presented novel findings to a global team of engineers and product managers aimed at providing more competitive solar energy access solutions to sub-Saharan Africa.
- Queried time series data to identify transaction delays within Zola's software platform using MySQL.

#### TECHNICAL PROJECTS

#### Wildfire Risk Prediction & Response Optimization, Cambridge, MA

Dec 2020

- Trained tree-based classification models on historical wildfire and weather data to predict wildfire risk in California.
- Leveraged MIP to determine the optimal assignment of limited firefighters across the state, based on total cost.

#### Predicting the Outcome of the 2020 Election, Cambridge, MA

Dec 202

- $\bullet$  Tuned k-NN and ridge-regularized logistic regression models using cross-validation to predict the 2020 election.
- Evaluated model fairness with FPR and analyzed possible COVID effects by using unemployment as a proxy.

# DreamDiff Python Package, Cambridge, MA

Dec 2020

- Led a team of three to develop a Python package that implements forward-mode automatic differentiation.
- Added extensions for root-finding, optimization by gradient descent, quadratic splines, and visualization methods.

# LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Exeter College Boat Club, Oxford, UK, Men's Captain

Nov 2018 to June 2019

• Elected to lead the Exeter College Boat Club as the men's rowing captain during year abroad at Oxford.

Williams College, Williamstown, MA, Chinese Teaching Assistant

Sept 2017 to May 2020

• Selected by Chinese department to act as a salaried assistant to professors through 1:1 tutoring sessions.

### HONORS AND AWARDS

| PepsiCo Data Science Challenge grand prize winner among 250+ contest participants                |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 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 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Putnam Competition (ranked 627/4,229 among undergrads specializing in mathematics)               | 2019 |  |  |  |  |  |  |

# SKILLS AND INTERESTS

| Technical | Python | (NumPy, | pandas, s | cikit-learn, | TensorFlow, | Keras) | R, SC | L, Jav | ascript, | React, | HTML/C | SS |
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Language Working proficiency in Chinese (Mandarin)

Interests Rowing, Photography, Writing (Medium blog), Rubik's Cube Solving (WCA profile)