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## **CAREER OBJECTIVE**

o Seeking opportunities to apply machine learning and problem solving skills to real world problems.

### **EDUCATION**

o Apr 2016 – Present BS Physics Brigham Young University

### ADVANCED TECHNICAL SKILLS & KNOWLEDGE AREAS

- o Programming Language Python, Julia, Bash, C++
- VASP
- Slurm

## **Employment**

- o 2017-PresentResearch Assistant Physics Department, BYU.
  - Using Machine Learning to discover new Superalloys with the materials simulation group (MSG) at BYU
  - Comparing Machine Learning descriptors of local atomic environments with MSG
- PresentGrader for Modern Physics
- 2018Junior Engineer at TRACY
  - Developed python code to automate defects calculations in atomic structures in the Vienna Ab Initio Package (VASP) for Density Functional Theory (DFT) calculations.
- o 2016Research Assistant Geography Department.
  - Studied the impact of chemical absorption of different tree species on re purposing closed chemical plant land.

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

Nyshadham, C., Rupp, M., Bekker, B., Shapeev, A. V., Mueller, T., Rosenbrock, C. W., ... Hart, G. L. (2019). Machine-learned multi-system surrogate models for materials prediction. npj Computational Materials, 5(1), 1-6.

Completed the computational materials physics two-week "Hands on DFT" workshop in Barcelona, Spain

Bekker, B., Oliver, H., Nyshadham, C., Shapeev, A., Hart, G. (2019). Exploring Materials Space with Machine Learning. In APS Meeting Abstracts.

#### **Relevant Courses**

 Into to Mathematical Physics, Solid State Physics, Linear Algebra, Ordinary Differential Equations, Calculus 1-3, Thermal Physics