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SUMMARY

Motivated graduate student Interests include loss functions, markov chain Monte Carlo methods, or causal inference. Seeking to become a machine learning engineer post-graduation.

PROJECTS

Forecasting Demand With Generalized Additive Models

Link to Github

- Built time-series forecasting models to predict quantity-demanded for fast-moving consumer goods in Indonesia.
- Presented poster at University of Illinois Chicago's 2022 Undergraduate Mathematics Symposium and Wheaton College's 2022 Homecoming STEM Poster Session.

Understanding and Modeling Predictors to Earned Run Average in Modern Major League Baseball

• Conducted variable selection using predictors from the Lahman baseball database to model Earned Run Average using regression analysis. Used the same predictors to build a single-layer neural network and a radial support vector regression model in R/RStudio.

EDUCATION

2023 - 2024 M.S. Statistics

(GPA: 3.90/4.0)

Baylor University, Waco, TX

2019 - 2023 B.S. Applied Mathematics with Statistics

(GPA: 3.46/4.0)

B.A. Economics

Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL Edman Presidential Scholarship

SKILLS

Software: Docker, Linux, R/RStudio, Python, SAS, Stata, C, SQL, LATEX, JavaScript, CSS,

HTML.

Relevant Coursework: Theory of Statistics, Statistical Methods, Computational Statistics, Numerical

Analysis, Linear Algebra for Data Analysis, Mathematical Statistics, Machine Learning, Probability Theory, Real Analysis, Intensive Introduction to Computer

Science (Harvard), Econometrics, Economics of Labor and Poverty.

EMPLOYMENT

Graduate Assistant August 2023 - present

Baylor University Department of Statistical Science

• Lead four supplemental instructorship sections per week for Baylor's Introduction to Statistical Methods course (STA 2381).

Wheaton Academy Center for Lifelong Learning

• Mentored students 1-on-1 per their request to teach, review, and sharpen their math skills. I met with students ranging in courses from Algebra I to AP Statistics to help them prepare for their exams, whether it's ones for courses or AP exams.

Mathematics Teaching Assistant

August 2022 - May 2023

Wheaton College Department of Mathematics and Computer Science

- Served as Applied Machine Learning TA (MATH 465) from December 2022 to present, and the Probability Theory TA (MATH 363) from August 2022 to December 2022.
- Graded weekly homework assignments and hosted weekly help sessions for students.

Participant

June 2022 - July 2022

Duke/North Carolina State University Summer Institute for Biostatistics

- Participated in several classroom discussions to engage standard biostatistical methods and areas of study at Duke Clinical Research Institute and North Carolina State University.
- Culminated in a Hackathon studying and modeling myocardial infarction and associated complications. Link to Github for our Hackathon project.

Volunteer

Intern

June 2023 - August 2023

Křesťanská Akademie Mladých

- Support-raised for four months and built a blog from scratch to keep supporters in the loop.
- Lived and worked in in the Czech Republic for two and a half months while assisting local CB churches by teaching English and sports in schools and at camps.
- Onboarded and trained short-term mission teams from the U.S. and Ireland who staffed English camps.

Honors/Awards

Varsity Baseball Player

August 2019 - May 2022

Wheaton College Athletics, NCAA

• Practiced baseball six days a week for multiple hours and played over forty-games during the spring semester.

Christian Character Award

May 2019

Valley Christian High School, Chandler AZ

• This award is extended to one graduating Senior at Valley Christian High School who, in their four years at the institution, has most consistently exemplified Christ-like character, lived above reproach, and exhibited a passion for the gospel.