

Dana Paige Seidel

Senior Data Scientist with 10 years experience in data wrangling and statistical modeling specifically for spatial and time series data.

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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY

PHD IN ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE,
 POLICY, & MANAGEMENT
 July 2019 | Berkeley, CA

UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

MSC IN BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES
 Aug 2014 | Edmonton, AB, Canada
 Concentration in Ecology

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

BSC IN NATURAL RESOURCES
 May 2011 | Ithaca, NY
 Concentration in applied ecology
 College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
 Graduated *cum laude*

SKILLS

- Data Analysis • R • Tidyverse
- Geospatial Analysis (R, Python, ArcGIS)
- Biostatistics • Regression Analysis
- Experimental Design • SQL
- Stitch • Sisense (PeriscopeData)
- Data Visualization • R Shiny
- DBT (data-build-tool)
- Python (numpy, pandas, pymc3)
- Open Source Development in R
- Version Control, Git/Github
- Testing & Continuous Integration
- Teaching • R Markdown • LaTeX

AWARDS

- Data Science for the 21st Century: National Science Foundation Research Traineeship 🌐
- Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, UC Berkeley 2018
- Letter of Commendation for Excellence in Teaching, Univ. of Alberta 2012

PUBLICATIONS

For full list of my publications, please see Google Scholar 🎓

WORK EXPERIENCE

PLENTY | SENIOR DATA SCIENTIST 🌐 • DATA SCIENCE & METROLOGY

July 2019 - Present | South San Francisco, CA

- Build, maintain, test, and surface Plenty's core reporting data, leveraging a modern data science pipeline including Stitch, Snowflake data warehousing, DBT, & Sisense
- Aggregate multiple data streams from a production farm (e.g. environmental signals, material traceability, equipment performance, farm imagery) to develop complex derived features and metrics for downstream models, alerting, and business users
- Build and deploy statistical models in R and Python to create novel data streams, characterize system performance and health, and predict harvest yield

RSTUDIO | SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT INTERN • TIDYVERSE

June 2018 - Aug 2018 | Remote

- Full-time developer of widely-used open source R packages for data visualization, ggplot2 🌐 (486K downloads/month) and scales 🌐
- Worked within large existing codebases to resolve issues, submit bug fixes, add new features, write unit tests, and update documentation to provide increased functionality for user-defined scales, themes, and aesthetic manipulation for data visualization in R

GOOGLE | QUANTITATIVE ANALYST INTERN • GEO DATA ANALYTICS

May 2016 - Aug 2016 | Mountain View, CA

- Queried, manipulated, and analysed mobile and web generated user-impressions data for tens of millions of Google Maps features
- Built and evaluated predictive regression models for average time to "maturity" of user-interactions with novel business features
- Fit spatially-implicit mixed effect regression models and evaluated model capacity for predicting user-interaction with novel business features

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCHER | UC BERKELEY

- Developed a R package to streamline best practices and automated report building for exploratory data analysis of telemetry data 🌐
- Analyzed multi-banded MODIS and LandSat imagery to understand environmental context of animal movement data

MODELING CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE | ALBERTA FISH & WILDLIFE

- Built an R Shiny application with infrastructure to load raw data, extract environmental covariates from rasters, model and map spatial risk 🌐 🌐
- Used Python (e.g. GeoPandas, Fiona, Shapely, ArcPy) & R (e.g. sf, raster, velox, mapview) libraries to manipulate spatial raster and vector data for analysis
- Built spatiotemporal models estimating disease prevalence and spread using a hierarchical Bayesian framework in WinBUGs and R

SOUTHWEST ALBERTA MONTANE RESEARCH PROJECT | U ALBERTA 🌐

- Designed relational database and analysis flow for field-collected foraging & movement data from 182 radio-collared elk
- Implemented multivariate regression analyses in R, including mixed negative binomial regression and paired conditional logistic regression