# David Pitt

Seeking roles in applied science, R&D and engineering

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## **EDUCATION**

## Harvey Mudd College

Claremont, CA

B.S., Math and Computer Science - in-major GPA 3.9

Aug 2019 - May 2023 Ex.

Relevant coursework: Stochastic Processes (graduate-level), Advanced Linear Algebra, Geometry of Big Data, Mathematics of Big Data, Intermediate Probability & Stats, Applied Algebraic Topology, PDEs, Dynamics, Artificial Intelligence, Computability and Logic, Data Structures & Algorithms, Object-Oriented Programming

- Honors and awards: Harvey S. Mudd Scholarship, Dean's list every semester.
- Math 157 head grader: Graded all assignments for upper-division probability theory course.
- CS5 grader/tutor: Graded assignments and held weekly TA sessions for advanced intro computer science course.
- Community involvement: Co-founder of HMC Chess, member of Engineers for a Sustainable World

### EXPERIENCE

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Seattle

Applied Science Intern May 2022 - present

• Hyperparameter tuning: Implemented new search strategies for calibrating ML models in pipeline.

## Granite Point Capital

Boston

• Equity Research Analyst

May 2021 - Aug 2021

- Equity research: Led a team of interns to cover 20+ blockchain/digital currency companies and use fundamental tools to deliver investment theses to management
- Independent trade analytics: Developed a lightweight framework for analyzing trade flow using prime broker's data. PMs still use it to evaluate broker performance.

#### HMC Bee Lab

Claremont

Researcher

Jan 2021 - May 2021

• Parameter testing: Ran large parameter sweeps on a coupled ODE model of ant traffic networks from literature to find parameters that created behavior consistent with ground truth.

#### **Nanotronics Imaging**

New York

Junior R&D Associate

Jun 2020 - Aug 2020

- Image preprocessing: Implemented a U-net in Tensorflow to correct an artifact of high-res microscopy for use downstream in CV pipeline.
- Classical computer vision: Implemented image segmentation/stitching to preprocess another imaging artifact.

#### Harvey Mudd College

Claremont

Machine Learning Intern

Feb 2020 - May 2020

- ML course: Updated a spring lecture series on machine learning topics in Python for students at the Claremont College Consortium.
- Coursera administrator: Designed and oversaw a free Coursera program for students during the first months of the pandemic, with 40% of students enrolling.

### Projects

- Graph neural network for EEG data processing: (Work in progress) Researching and developing a graph-attention-based approach that structures EEG signals as dynamic networks. Implementing on a series of public EEG datasets.
- Fractal animator: Designed tools to visualize and animate ultra-high-resolution animations of dynamical system end behavior.

  Uses parallelization to render and save to disk orders of magnitude faster than previous tools.
- Chaotic Encryption: Designed my own encryption scheme based on chaotic behavior to encode text and image data.
- N-body Simulator: Designed my own numerical integrator to simulate solutions to arbitrary N-body problems with intial conditions.

## Tools & Technologies

- Languages: Python, C++, SQL, Bash, Java, Maple
- Frameworks: NumPy, Pandas, Scikit, NLTK, Poetry, Pytorch, Pytorch-Geometric, Tensorflow, Keras, WandB, Networkx
- Tools: Git, DVC, MySQL, Neo4j
- Communication: English (native), Mandarin Chinese (business proficient)