Drew Johnston

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Education

MS, Mathematics April 2022

Brigham Young University

Provo, Utah

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• GPA: 4.00, GRE: 170 Verbal Reasoning (99th Percentile), 168 Quantitative Reasoning (92nd Percentile)

• Relevant Coursework:

Modeling with Data and Uncertainty Modeling with Dynamics and Control

Deep Learning

Mathematical Analysis
Natural Language Processing

Algorithms, Approximation and Optimization

BS, Applied & Computational Mathematics (ACME)

December 2020

Brigham Young University

• Concentration: Machine Learning

• GPA: 4.00, National Merit Scholar, Member of Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society

Skills

- Predictive Modeling, Data Mining, Data Cleaning, Data Munging, Research, Web Crawling, Reading Documentation, Receiving Criticism, Presentation, Communication, Collaboration, Organization
- Coding: Python, R, C++, Apache Spark, SQL, NoSQL, MongoDB, Prolog, Jupyter, Git
- Python Modules: NumPy, SciPy, scikit-learn, Matplotlib, Pandas, PyTorch, BeautifulSoup, Requests, NLTK

Relevant Experience

Data Scientist May 2020 – Present

Brigham Young University - Enrollment Services

Provo, UT

- Worked with a small team of data scientists to statistically identify and evaluate metrics for student success within
 a major. We leveraged techniques form graph theory, clustering, and classification models to determine optimal
 paths of success for university students based on their major and prior data. This provided ample opportunities for
 collaborative work as well as individual research and experimentation with a variety of statistical learning
 methods.
- Participated in daily reporting and brainstorming sessions to establish project direction and solve problems.
- Presented results and ideas for future work to a team of executives within Enrollment Services.

Undergraduate Researcher

June 2019 – August 2019

University of North Carolina at Wilmington - Department of Mathematics and Statistics

Wilmington, NC

- Selected as one of 8 students to join a summer Research Experience for Undergraduates program in collaboration with the National Science Foundation and Professors Cuixian Chen and Yishi Wang.
- Developed novel features for detecting atrial fibrillation in electrocardiogram readings.
- Achieved 97% detection accuracy using a random forest model with personally engineered features.
- Composed a paper detailing my methodology and results under the direction and advisement of Dr. Yishi Wang.
- Presented my results in research conferences at UNCW, UNCG, and Clemson University.

Data Science Research Assistant

September 2018 – March 2020

Brigham Young University – Department of Mathematics

Provo, UT

- Collaborated with a small team to validate proprietary metrics for stock cycle prediction with machine learning techniques.
- Combined in-house data with data from BYU's Bloomberg terminal to identify features to be used in anomaly
 detection for growth-based portfolio investment strategies.
- Presented research progress and results at BYU's Student Research Conference.

Relevant Projects

To read about my latest projects as well as my papers and project reports, please visit my personal website: https://drewjohnston13.github.io/