Harry Bendekgey

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Education

Ph.D. Candidate, University of California, Irvine

Fall 2019-present

Advised by Erik Sudderth. Advanced to Candidacy Spring 2022.

B.A., Pomona College

Graduated Spring 2019

Computer Science and Mathematics (Double Major)

Experience

Intern

Summer 2019

GPA: 3.97

Chan Zuckerberg Biohub

San Francisco

Work with the theory group on two projects touching biology, physics, and statistics:

• Investigating the ability of (MC)³ to explore the space of phylogenetic trees, and

 \circ Discovering a new power law for modeling diffusion in crowded dynamic spaces

Research Fellow

Fall 2018

Computer Science Department

Pomona College

Designed a novel approach for understanding the landscape of personas across games; Scraped and cleaned data from online Dominion logs to visualize player strategies.

Research Fellow

Summer 2018

Kenneth Cooke Research Fellowship

Pomona College

Researched the mathematical models underlying state-of-the-art election forecasting; Implemented adjustable forecasts for the 2018 midterm election based on these models.

Teaching Assistant and Grader

Math and Computer Science Departments

Pomona College

o Functional Programming and Discrete Math, Combinatorics

Spring 2019

o Statistical Theory, Linear Algebra, Computer Systems

Fall 2018

 \circ Fundamentals of Computer Science, Combinatorics

Spring 2017-Spring 2018

o Introduction to Computer Science

Spring 2016-Fall 2016

Languages

 $\label{eq:continuous} Proficient\ with\ R,\ C,\ Python,\ Java,\ L^{\!A}\!T_{\!E}\!X;\ Familiar\ with\ SQL,\ C++,\ JavaScript.$

Publications

Scalable & Stable Surrogates for Flexible Classifiers with Fairness Constraints.

H Bendekgey, E Sudderth.

Scaling Study of Diffusion in Dynamic Crowded Spaces.

H Bendekgey, G Huber, D Yllanes, L Yan.

Clustering Player Strategies from Variable-Length Game Logs in Dominion.

H Bendekgey, AAAI Workshop on Knowledge Extraction from Games (KEG), 2019.

Awards and Fellowships

Hasso Plattner Institute Fellowship, UC Irvine, 2021

3 years of full Ph.D funding for work on adaptive, safe and human-centered AI.

Enhanced CS Department Excellence Fellowship, UC Irvine, 2019

Provides first-year Ph.D students with research funding and no teaching requirements.

Paul B. Yale Computer Science Prize, Pomona College, 2019

Awarded annually to an outstanding senior majoring in Computer Science.

The Phi Beta Kappa Award, Pomona College, 2019

Awarded to a senior for high quality of scholarship and promise of future distinction.

Kenneth Cooke Summer Research Fellowship, Pomona College, 2018 Grant for summer research in an area of applied mathematics or statistics.