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## **EDUCATION**

**Stanford University** Palo Alto, CA

Postdoctoral Fellowship in Machine Learning and Public Policy

01/2021-Present

The University of Pennsylvania

Philadelphia, PA

Ph.D. in Applied Mathematics and Computational Science M.A. in Applied Mathematics and Computational Science

12/2020 08/2018

**Dissertation Title:** Essays on Algorithms, Markets, and Society

Advisor: Michael Kearns

Selected Coursework: Advanced Machine Learning, Algorithms, Graduate Analysis I (Complex and Real Analysis), Graduate Analysis II (Real and Functional Analysis), Probability Theory, Stochastic Processes, Numerical Linear Algebra, Computational Learning Theory, Game Theory, Adaptive Data Analysis, Deep Learning, Market Design

**Columbia University** New York, NY

Bachelor of Arts: Double Major in Mathematics and Economics

05/2013

**GPA:** 3.8 / 4.0; Cum Laude

## **Economics Departmental Honors**

**Thesis Title:** The Windy City and Urban Gentry: Does Gentrification Explain the Integration of Chicago?

Jonathan Throne Kopit Memorial Prize in Logic and Rhetoric for From Tunis to Beirut: Against Cultural Imperialism in the Name of Women's Rights

Selected Coursework: Graduate Microeconomics, Advanced Econometrics, Advanced Macroeconomics, Linear Algebra, Analysis and Optimization, Real Analysis I-II, Planar Lattice Models, Data Structures and Algorithms in C, Discrete Mathematics

Editorial Positions: Columbia Economics Review (editor-in-chief), Columbia Political Review (associate editor, Arab Spring columnist)

#### **American University of Beirut**

Beirut, LB

CAMES Summer Language Institute, Intermediate Arabic

08/2010

## ACADEMIC FELLOWSHIPS

## Machine Learning and Public Policy Postdoctoral Fellowship

Palo Alto, CA

12/01/2020

## Benjamin Franklin Fellowship

Philadelphia, PA

University of Pennsylvania

Stanford University

09/2016-12/2020

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS AND MANUSCRIPTS

## **Differentially Private Call Auctions and Market Impact**

**EC 2020** 

Diana, Elzayn, Kearns, Roth, Sharif-Malvajerdi, Ziani

The Effect of Competition and Regulation on Error Inequality in Data-Driven Markets **ACM FAT\* 2020** Elzayn, Fish (Oral presentation, best poster award NeuRIPS 2019 AI for Social Good Workshop; EC2020 Poster)

## **Equilibrium Characterization for Data Acquisition Games**

**IJCAI 2019** 

Dong, Elzayn, Jabbari, Kearns, Schutzman

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## Price of Privacy in the Keynesian Beauty Contest

Elzayn, Schutzman

EC 2019

## Hidden Information, Teamwork, and Prediction in Trick-Taking Card Games (extended abstract)

Elzayn, Fereydounian, Hayhoe, Kuma

**RLDM 2019** 

## Fair Algorithms for Learning in Allocation Problems

Elzayn, Jabbari, Jung, Kearns, Neel, Roth, Schutzman

**ACM FAT\* 2019** 

## **ONGOING WORK**

## **Equilibria, Revenue, and Welfare in the Ad Types Problem**

Elzayn, Colini-Baldeschi, Lan, and Schrijvers

(submitted)

## Algorithms and Learning for Fair Portfolio Design

Diana, Dick, Elzayn, Kearns, Schutzman, Sharif-Malvajerdi, Roth, Ziani

(submitted)

## **Personalized Privacy and Data Contribution**

Elzayn, Gkatzelis, Pountourakis, Ziani

(ongoing)

## How Fair is the Mortgage Market? Adapting Fair Machine Learning for Real-world Systems

Elzayn, Freyaldenhoven, Shin

(ongoing)

## **Strategic Election Dynamics**

Elzayn, Schutzman

(ongoing)

## WORK EXPERIENCE

## **Facebook**Systems and Infrastructure PhD Intern

Philadelphia, PA

06/2020-08/2020

Developed new implementation of auction algorithms in production C++ codebase Characterized equilibrium behavior, welfare, and revenue in novel auction formats

## Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia

Graduate RA

Philadelphia, PA

02/2020-05/2020

Applied conceptual tools from machine learning research and analyzing large mortgage datasets to evaluate fairness in the U.S. mortgage market as a whole

## Microsoft Research Montreal, QC

Research Intern

06/2019-08/2019

Combined learning theory with industrial organization to model data-driven markets and to characterize group-wise error inequality and firms profits under competition and regulation

## **Two Sigma Investments**

Consultant

**Philadelphia, PA** 02/2019-05/2019

Created new feature set predictive of residual returns from SEC data, used econometric techniques to test for statistical and economic significance, and calculated financial metrics on strategy

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## **TGG Group (The Greatest Good)**

Associate, Senior Associate

Chicago, IL 09/2013-04/2016

Used quasi-experiment and differences-in-differences framework to estimate price elasticity of demand for financial advising. Created sampling and two-stage regression process to overcome computational constraints on large dataset and estimate fixed effects. Identified evidence of gaming behavior induced by discontinuous marginal incentives (with Steve Levitt)

Computed bootstrapped test statistics via random assignment of placebo treatments in order to mitigate effects of auto- and spatial correlation on standard errors and estimate price elasticity for large credit card acquirer. Designed randomized control trial protocol (with Chad Syverson)

Designed and implemented a negotiation framework using Final Offer Arbitration on behalf of a large insurance company to credibly signal a best offer and avoid costly litigation (with Max Bazerman)

Created decision aids to reduce random variation ("noise") in claims evaluation and premium-setting and analyzed efficacy through results of randomized control trial (with Daniel Kahneman)

## **TGG Group (The Greatest Good)**

Summer Associate

Chicago, IL 06/2012-08/2012

Built linear regression model trained on SEC filings to identify firms likely committing accounting fraud

## STARTUP EXPERIENCE

StaffMeal

Chicago, IL

Co-Founder

10/2015-06/2016

Founded company to connect up-and-coming chefs from fine/unique dining scene in Chicago to customers throwing in-home dinner parties

Executed multiple contracts for positive profits and managed implementation of MVP software product, chef approval, menu testing, inventory purchase, and in-home events

AskZuma Chicago, IL CEO 10/2015-08/2016

Built proof-of-concept in python and managed team of programmers implementing product – a web/mobile app paired with white-glove service to help users avoid getting ripped off in their car repairs

Grew estimate base from zero estimates to 30K monthly via organic growth and users from zero to several thousand

Managed relationships with data suppliers and automotive companies, trained adjusters in customer handling process, oversaw branding development and marketing

## **COLLABORATIONS IN OTHER DISCIPLINES**

Heart transplant waiting list implications of increased ventricular assist device use as a bridge to transplant: a national analysis.

Artificial Organs

Han, Elzayn, Duda, Acker, Patrick, Iyengar, Helmers, Birati, Atluri

Heart waiting-list implications of increased ventricular assistive device transplant use as bridge to transplant: a national database analysis (abstract)

**STS 2019** 

Han, Elzayn, Atluri

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# Long-term impacts of reducing pulmonary vascular resistance with VAD therapy in bridge-to-transplant patients (abstract) Han, Kanade, Chung, Chen, Elzayn, Gaffey, Rame, Acker, Atluri

**ASAIO 2017** 

IN	17	III	ED	TA	I	KS

How Fair is the Mortgage Market? Adapting Fair Machine Learning for Real-world Systems
INFORMS 2020, Machine Learning and Markets session

Virtual
11/08/2020

Fair Algorithms for Learning and Allocation Problems
Facebook Fairness Group

Virtual
07/31/2020

Differentially Private Call Auctions and Market ImpactVirtualDrexel University Theory Seminar07/24/2020

Differentially Private Call Auctions and Market ImpactVirtualFacebook Economics, Algorithms, and Optimization Group07/13/2020

Fairness, Learning, and Economics

Cervest Earth

London, U.K.
01/31/2020

## **PUBLICATION TALKS**

**Differentially Private Call Auctions and Market Impact**ACM EC 2020
Virtual
07/15/2020

The Effect of Competition and Regulation on Error Inequality in Data-Driven Markets

ACM FAT\* 2020

Barcelona, ES
01/30/2020

**The Effect of Competition and Regulation on Error Inequality in Data-Driven Markets**NeuRIPS AI for Social Good Workshop 2019

Vancouver, BC
12/14/2019

The Price of Privacy in the Keynesian Beauty Contest

ACM EC 2019

Phoenix, AZ

06/27/19

## PEDAGOGICAL TALKS

**Fast Rates in Statistical and Online Learning**Advanced Machine Learning
Philadelphia, PA
11/20/18

Deep Dive: Theory for Generative Adversarial Networks

Deep Learning Seminar

Philadelphia, PA
09/25/18

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Penn Mathematics – Undergraduate Directed Reading ProgramUniversity of PennsylvaniaMentorSpring 2020

NETS 412: Algorithmic Game Theory
Teaching Assistant for Bo Waggoner

University of Pennsylvania
Spring 2018

AMCS 602: Algebraic Techniques I University of Pennsylvania

Grader for Zhenfu Wang Fall 2017

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## **PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT**

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT	
Radical ideas spread through social media. Are the algorithms to blame?  PBS Nova – named interview	Spring 2019
Why Algorithms Need Ethics (and How We Can Teach Them) University of Pennsylvania 60-second SLAM lecture	University of Pennsylvania Spring 2019
PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	
ACM Conference on Economics and Computation	Budapest, HU
Program Committee	2021
AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence	Vancouver
Reviewer	2021
Machine Learning and Economic Policy Workshop at NeuRIPS 2020	Virtual
Reviewer	2020
ML Retrospectives, Surveys, and Meta-analyses Workshop at NeuRIPS 2020	Virtual
Reviewer	2020
Journal of Machine Learning Research	
Reviewer	2020
Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems	Virtual
Reviewer	2020
ACM EC Algorithmic Game Theory Mentoring Workshop	Virtual
Mentor	2020
ACM Conference on Economics and Computation	Virtual
Subreviewer	2020
International Conference on Machine Learning	Vancouver, BC
Reviewer (top 1/3 of reviewers)	2020
ACM Conference on Economics and Computation	Budapest, HU
Reviewer	2020
AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence	New York, NY
Reviewer	2020
Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems	Vancouver, BC
Reviewer (top 5% of reviewers)	2019
International Conference on Machine Learning	Long Beach, CA
Reviewer	2019
ACM Conference on Economics and Computation	Ithaca, NY
Subreviewer	2018

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## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

ACM FAT\* Doctoral Consortium
Atlanta, GA
Attendee
2019

**EC Algorithmic Game Theory Mentoring Workshop** 

Ithaca, NY

Attendee

2018

## **VOLUNTEER SERVICE**

PA Democrats Victory 2020

Data munging

10/2020

**Kayany Foundation Schools for Syrian Refugees** 

Bekaa Valley, LB

Teacher

07/2016

## **SKILLS**

Programming Languages: Python, R, SQL, JavaScript, C++

Tools, Packages, and Applications: Matlab, Stata, SAS, LaTeX, HTML, CSS, jQuery, D3, MS Office Suite

Languages: English (native), Arabic (intermediate), Spanish (proficient), French (intermediate)

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

Citadel Datathon: 3rd Place team finish 2020 Summer Invitational

Citadel AI Competition: Participant Terminal Live 2020 Penn vs. Princeton

Citadel Datathon: 2nd Place team finish 2019 East Coast Regional

## **INTERESTS**

Fencing, Mountaineering, Oud