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EXPERIENCE

 SonderMind Remote/Denver, CO Senior Applied Scientist Mar 2023 - Present

- Researched and deployed advanced Machine Learning (ML) algorithms to enhance Behavioral Healthcare Technology Services, leading to the implementation of personalized, measurement-based care frameworks.
- Led a project utilizing GPT-4 with a custom reinforcement learning framework to optimize online advertising and paid search strategies, achieving a 35% increase in marketing ROI through optimized ad placements and keyword bidding strategies.
- Developed and deployed a client-provider recommendation system leveraging collaborative filtering and NLP techniques to match patients with therapists based on historical success rates and personal preferences, resulting in a 25% improvement in initial therapy session success rates.
- o Pioneered the development of tooling for continuous, reproducible, and automated deployment of ML models and services via AWS, employing CI/CD pipelines, Docker containers, and Kubernetes for scalable and efficient ML operations.
- Mindstrong (acquired by SonderMind)

Senior Applied Scientist

Remote/San Francisco, CA May 2022 - Mar 2023

- Developed a cutting-edge personalized recommendation system for optimizing the content library based on patient clinical symptom profiles using clustering and collaborative filtering techniques.
- Developed a robust anomaly detection framework utilizing time-series analysis and deep learning to enhance the monitoring of patients' smartphone usage data and improve therapy efficiency.
- Designed and deployed a Model-Assisted Behavioral Healthcare system, integrating predictive models with clinical decision-making processes to enhance session efficiency and patient triage.

Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center

Seattle, WA

Senior Research Statistician

Nov 2018 - Apr 2022

- Led the application of advanced statistical and machine learning techniques to longitudinally assess patient data from clinical trials, fitness tracking data, and electronic health records, improved patient outcome prediction accuracy.
- Developed automated machine learning pipelines for robust data preprocessing and feature extraction, facilitating the lab's transition from purely experimental research to incorporating computational techniques.
- Conducted survival analysis using Cox proportional hazards models to identify significant predictors of patient outcomes, resulting in the publication of high-impact research papers.

UC San Diego Health

La Jolla, CA

Statistician / Research Manager

Sep 2015 - Oct 2018

- Headed the statistics unit within the Head & Neck Clinical and Translational Research Lab, driving the strategic application of statistical analyses in clinical research, resulting in the publication of research papers.
- Implemented machine learning algorithms and data visualization techniques using R and Python to analyze medical image data and large-scale clinical trial data, yielding critical insights for clinical decision-making, leading to the improvement in treatment plans.
- o Authored research manuscripts and effectively communicated complex statistical findings to a diverse range of stakeholders, enhancing the impact and reach of research outcomes.

EDUCATION

University of California San Diego

La Jolla, CA

M.S. in Statistics / Ph.D. in Biostatistics (not completed)

Xiamen University

Xiamen, China

B.S. in Computational Mathematics

2013

2018

- Languages & Tools: Python, R, SQL, Java, Bash, AWS (SageMaker, EC2), PyTorch, Tensorflow, Docker, Kubernetes, Git/Github
- Expertise: Experimental Methods (Hypothesis Testing, Multi-Armed Bandit), Bayesian Statistics, Reinforcement Learning, Deep Learning, Anomaly Detection, NLP

PUBLICATIONS

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- Marín-Chollom AM, Hale C, Koch P, Gaffney AO, Contento I, **Shen H** et al. **Cognitive Functioning and Health in Hispanic/Latina Breast Cancer Survivors**. *Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health*, 1-8, 2021.
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 Treatment Approaches in the Older Head and Neck Cancer Population. Frontiers in oncology, 8, 466, 2018.
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- Zakeri K, Panjwani N, Carmona R, **Shen H** et al. **Generalized Competing Event Models Can Reduce Cost and Duration of Cancer Clinical Trials**. *JCO Clinical Cancer Informatics*, 2, 1-12, 2018.
- Mell LK, Zhang Q, Shen H et al. Generalized Competing Event Regression to Stratify Head and Neck Cancer Patients: Secondary Analysis of NRG Oncology RTOG 9003, 0129, and 0522. International Journal of Radiation Oncology* Biology* Physics, 99(2), S236-S237, 2017.
- Vitzthum LK, Noticewala SS, Hines P, Zakeri K, Nguyen C, Shen H et al. A Web-Based Tool to Compare
 Comorbidity Models and Geriatric Risk-Assessment in Head and Neck Cancer Patients. International Journal of
 Radiation Oncology* Biology* Physics, 99(2), E379, 2017.
- Carmona R *et al.* (including **Shen H**) **Improved Method to Stratify Elderly Patients With Cancer at Risk for Competing Events**. *Journal of Clinical Oncology*, 34(11), 1270-1277, 2016.