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EDUCATION



Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA 02139

Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Woods Hole, MA 02543

Ph.D., MIT-WHOI Joint Program in Applied Ocean Science & Engineering, expected August 2020, GPA: 4.8/5.0

- Dissertation: "Morphological Approaches To Understanding Sea Ice Thickness"
- MIT Graduate Student Leadership Institute Fellow, Fall 2016

New York University Abu Dhabi, Abu Dhabi, UAE

B.S. *cum laude*, May 2015. Major in Physics and Mathematics, GPA: 3.8/4.0

- New York University Honors Scholar, 2015
- Semester study abroad at NYU Berlin/Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Spring 2013
- Awarded full scholarship to NYU Abu Dhabi, 2011-2015

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant. MIT/WHOI, 2015-2020

- Applied convolutional neural networks to sea ice imagery to infer ice thickness from topography, and visualized the learned filters using OpenCV and PyTorch
- Made an interactive GUI for processing sea ice imagery (segmentation, floe delineation) using OpenCV
- Took part in 3-month winter field expedition to Antarctica to collect sea ice thickness measurements and surface topography laser scans
- Participated in ICESat-2 Hack Week sponsored by the University of Washington, wrote code for compiling and visualizing data interactively using Holoviews and Bokeh modules ([/ICESAT-2HackWeek/Snowblower.git](https://github.com/jeffreymeigithub.io/ICESAT-2HackWeek/Snowblower.git))
- Authored peer-reviewed publication in *The Cryosphere* ([doi:10.5194/tc-2019-140](https://doi.org/10.5194/tc-2019-140), "[Estimating Early-Winter Ice Thickness From Deformed Ice Morphology.](https://doi.org/10.5194/tc-2019-140)")

Undergraduate Research Assistant. NYU Abu Dhabi, 2014-2015

- Developed novel method for localizing cracks in glaciers using seismic signals
- Visualized seismic spectrograms using Python to create a frequency bandpass filter, with automated detection of seismic shock wave onset
- Authored peer-reviewed publication in *The Cryosphere* ([doi:10.5194/tc-11-609-2017](https://doi.org/10.5194/tc-11-609-2017), "[Calving localization at Helheim Glacier using multiple local seismic stations.](https://doi.org/10.5194/tc-11-609-2017)")

Undergraduate Research Assistant, NYU Abu Dhabi, 2011-2013

- Fitted multilinear regressions with astrophysical data, visualized with interactive 3D plots (Matplotlib), to show statistical links between astrophysical variables
- Presented results at American Astronomical Society meeting, ([\[abstract\]](#), [Correlations of Circumnuclear Water Maser Luminosity with AGN Activity and SMBH Mass.](#))

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Elements of Modern Oceanography, MIT, Fall 2018

Teaching assistant

- Corrected weekly homeworks for students
- Led weekly recitations to supplement lecture material

Summer Math Review, WHOI, 2017-2018

Organizer and instructor

- Selected topics for summer math review for incoming graduate students
- Organized and assigned instructors for each class
- Prepared class notes for and taught classes in ordinary and partial differential equations, data analysis, numerical methods

OTHER SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Fluency in English, Mandarin Chinese, German; intermediate level of Russian
Experienced in Python (NumPy/SciPy/OpenCV/PyTorch/Pandas), SQL, R, LaTeX
PADI-certified Open Water Diver
President, MIT Badminton