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# **EDUCATION**

# Cornell University, College of Engineering, Ithaca, NY

Expected 2024

- Ph.D. in Operations Research and Information Engineering, GPA: 4.13/4.3. Advisor: Peter I. Frazier
- Skills: Machine Learning, Bayesian Optimization, Experimental Design, Causal Inference, Stochastic Modeling, Simulation

# Stanford University, School of Engineering, Stanford, CA

June 2018

M.S. in Management Science and Engineering, GPA: 4.07/4.3

#### Haverford College, Haverford, PA

May 2016

■ B.S. in Mathematics and Physics, magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, GPA: 3.96/4

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### Meta, Menlo Park, CA

May 2022 – present

Research Engineering Intern, Core Data Science (Adaptive Experimentation)

- Formulated and developed stopping-aware Bayesian optimization algorithms for the BoTorch package for solving expensive-to-evaluate problems such as hyperparameter optimization (HPO) and AutoML
- Implemented a general model-based learning curve early stopping framework in the adaptive experimentation (Ax) platform

### Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

April 2020 - May 2022

Data Scientist, COVID-19 Pandemic Response

- Guided Cornell's president and provost on whether to reopen for in-person instruction and what interventions to use, achieving a daily incidence of 0.01% in the 2020-21 academic year among 34K Cornell students and employees
- Developed a Python compartmental simulation model (<a href="https://github.com/peter-i-frazier/group-testing">https://github.com/peter-i-frazier/group-testing</a>) to predict epidemiological outcomes in college environments, whose output influenced policies at Cornell, Stanford, Duke, University of Wisconsin Madison, Boston University, Johns Hopkins, Yale, and several other universities
- Led retrospective parameter estimation and model calibration analysis for the 2020-21 academic year using SQL, Python and Bayesian machine learning to support improvements to Cornell's asymptomatic screening program
- Led analysis of the risk of infection during travel to support travel policy decisions and communication with stakeholders by performing causal inference on data from 18K students

Reports of all analyses are published online at <a href="https://covid.cornell.edu/testing/modeling/">https://covid.cornell.edu/testing/modeling/</a>.

Media coverage by ABC News, Wall Street Journal, Forbes, Asahi Shimbun.

# Cardinal Operations, Shanghai, China

June 2017 – September 2017

Algorithm Engineer Intern

- Led a consulting engagement with Budweiser, designing and implementing operations research software for managing warehouse operations in Python and CPLEX
- Designed and implemented clustering and vehicle routing algorithms in Python and delivered business region partition, facility location and route planning solutions for SF Express, a large courier company

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

# Bayesian Optimization with Applications in Materials Design

- Designed and implemented novel Bayesian optimization algorithms in settings of importance by drug discovery and materials
  design where additional sources of information besides the final objective are available
- Developed efficient sequential experimental design algorithms, using Bayesian machine learning for materials discovery, focused
  on preventing ice growth on airplane wings, in collaboration with experts in molecular simulation and biochemistry

# **COVID-19 Mathematical Modeling**

- Formulated a general theoretical framework for correlation in pooled testing to investigate its effect on sensitivity and efficiency
  and refine the scientific community's understanding of its ability to control epidemics
- Led analysis of vaccine effectiveness in response to queries from the CDC and NYC Health Department using Python and SQL

# SELECTED PUBLICATIONS & WORKING PAPERS

Frazier et al., Modeling for COVID-19 College Reopening Decisions: Cornell, A Case Study. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 19(2) e2112532119 (2022).

J. Wan, Y. Zhang, P.I. Frazier, Correlation Improves Group Testing. Major revision at Management Science.

Wan et al., Booster vaccination protection against SARS-CoV-2 infections in young adults during an Omicron BA.1-predominant period: a retrospective cohort study. Under review.

### LEADERSHIP & SKILLS

Co-President, Cornell University Operations Research Graduate Students' Association (ORGA) **Programming**: Python (PyTorch, NumPy, SciPy, Scikit-Learn, Pandas), R, SQL, MATLAB, Julia

2020 - 2021