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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Casual inference, reinforcement learning, optimal control, graphical models, robotics, artificial intelligence.

EDUCATION

University of California, Davis

M.S. in Statistics

2019 - 2021

Brigham Young University—Hawaii

B.S. in Mathematics, Computer Science

2014 - 2018

- Minors: Information Systems, Information Technology
- Honors Thesis: An Evaluation of Blind Reconstruction Methods of the Dynamical Structure Functions
- Advisor: Vasu Chetty

• CGPA: 4.0/4.0

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of California, Davis

Researcher

Oct 2020 - Present

- Machine Learning: Researching on an alternative to a probability calibration method named Platt scaling [Project Link].
- Data Science: Researching on an alternative to resampling techniques in dealing with unbalanced class data.
- Supervisor: Norm Matloff

Carnegie Mellon University Delphi Epi-Forcasting Group

Researcher

Sep 2020 - Present

- Data Analysis: Studied the association among government intervention, mobility, and other potential confounders in US with Delphi EpiData API. [Project Link].
- Status: Part-Time
- Working hours: 20 hours per week
- Supervisor: James Sharpnack

Brigham Young University—Hawaii Institutional Research

Research Analyst Intern

Aug 2018 - Jun 2019

- Consulting: Leveraged 11-year data from enrollment, degree completion, freshman cohort, and curriculum to conduct retention study for BYU—Hawaii President's council.
- Data Visualization: Built pipelines to update Tableau Server workbooks automatically from Quartics surveys.
- Database Management: Coordinated with the Enterprise Information System department at BYUH to establish a data warehouse to facilitate institutional research.
- Data Cleaning: Trained and supervised students workers on the data cleaning and visualization with R and Tableau.
- Status: Part-Time

• Working hours: 27 hours per week

• Supervisor: Kathy Pulotu

Research Assistant Supervisor

Sept 2017 - Jun 2018

- Literature reviews: Conducted literature reviews for designing new graduating student survey.
- Data Visualization: Built a data dashboard from cleaning course evaluation survey data of the past 5 years in R to visualizing the data via Tableau for the school administration and faculty.
- Statistical Analysis: Evaluated the redundancy of the graduating student survey questions by using factor analysis.
- Survey Design: Led a poster publication titled "How Meaningful Is Our Graduating Student Survey" to showcase how to better evaluate survey design.
- Status: Part-Time
- Working hours: 19 hours per week
- Supervisor: Kathy Pulotu

Brigham Young University IDeA Labs

Researcher Intern

Jun 2017 - Aug 2017

- Systems Theory: Research in Systems and Control Theory with applications in a variety of areas including social networks, natural language processing, and biological systems.
- Software Engineering: Tasks involve developing code, modeling networks, analyzing simulations, developing theoretical results and writing research papers.
- Advisor: Sean Warnick
- Status: Full-Time
- Working hours: 40 hours per week

Professional Experience

Newday Impact Investing

Investment Analyst

Sep 2020 - Present

- Deep Learning: Leveraged partner company's sustainable portfolio data by transfer learning to increase F1-score from 0.5 to 0.75 on classifying 1:16 imbalanced sustainable companies based on metrics developed by Newday.
- Status: Part-Time
- Working hours: 20 hours per week

Data Analytics Intern

Jun 2020 - Sep 2020

- Machine Learning: Selected companies from S&P 500 that account for the variance of stock price based on principal component analysis to aid decisions making on portfolio construction with back-testing.
- Status: Full-Time
- Working hours: 40 hours per week

Dell EMC

Associate Consultant Intern

Jun 2019 - Sep 2019

- System Testing: Designed and implemented test cases using MS SQL Server for the human resources manpower information system of Hong Kong Vocational Training Council.
- Status: Full-Time
- Working hours: 40 hours per week

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of California—Davis

Teaching Assistant

2019 - Present

- Graduate Level
 - BAX 453 Application Domains (Spring 2021)
 - BAX 452 Machine Learning (Winter 2021)
 - BAX 411 Intermediate Statistics (Fall 2020)
 - BAX 400 Foundation of Business Analytics (Summer 2020)
 - BAX 463 Practicum Analysis & Implementation (Spring 2020)
- Undergraduate Level
 - Statistics Bootcamp on R (Summer 2020)
 - 12Y Data Visualization for Social Sciences (Fall 2019, Winter 2020)

Brigham Young University—Hawaii

Computer Science Substitute Instructor

2017

• CS301: Algorithms and Complexity.

Math Lab Tutor (Calculus)

2015 - 2016

Projects

Predict Patient Inflow at Pali Momi Hospital's Emergency Room

- Machine Learning: Applied quantile regression model to predict patient inflow at Pali Momi Hospital's Emergency Room (ER).
- Consulting: Provided recommendations for how to optimize scheduling for their ER's doctors and mid-level providers.
- Duration: Apr-Jun 2018
- Number of hours per week of effort: 2
- Advisor: Cody Baldwin

Understanding the resting behaviors of Trirectangular Tetrahedral and Triangular Prism Dice Rolls

- Computer Vision: Applied Faster Regional-Convolutional Neural Networks (R-CNN) in Python to count dice rolls more efficiently by object detection.
- *Robotics:* Configured a dice rolling machine from scratch to automate the process of dice rolling and reduce bias that may come from rolling dice by hand.
- Software Engineering: Rewrote codes from MATLAB image processing toolbox to Python using OpenCV, scikit-image and dlib libraries.
- Duration: 2017- 2019
- Number of hours per week of effort: 3
- Advisor: Paul Hurst

Publications Conference Proceedings

V. Chetty, N. Woodbury, J. Brewer, **K. Lee** and S. Warnick, *Applying a Passive Network Reconstruction Technique to Twitter Data in Order to Identify Trend Setters*, IEEE Conference on Control Technology and Applications, Kohala Coast, HI, 2017.

Posters

K. Lee, S. Fuluvaka, *Meet Don, the Autonomous Dice Rolling Machine*, Brigham Young University-Hawaii Undergraduate Research Conference, 2018.

K. Lee, K. Pulotu, Graduating Student Survey Revision: A student effort, California Association for Institutional Research, Garden Grove, CA, 2018.

K. Pulotu, **K. Lee**, T. Vallabh, Hong Ni M. and R. Ram, *How Meaningful is our Graduating Student Survey?*, Academic Resource Conference, Burlingame, CA, 2018.

SELECTED HONORS

Brigham Young University—Hawaii

Computer and Information Science Overall Outstanding Graduate	2018
(Top 1 of the graduating class)	
Undergraduate Research Best Oral Presentation Award (1 out of	2018
30 peer research teams)	
Computer Science Alumni Scholarship (Nominated by faculty)	2017 - 2018
Mathematics Departmental Scholarship (Nominated by faculty)	2014 - 2018
Academic Merit Scholarship (Top 5% of the school)	2014 - 2018
University Dean's List (Top 5% of the school)	2014 - 2018
Hong Kong Student Association Leadership Certificate	2015 - 2016
BYUH Student Leadership Award	2015

Association for Computing Machinery

ACM/UPE Scholarship Award (4 out of all the ACM student 2017 members)

The National Society of Leadership and Success

Academic Excellence Scholarship (12 out of all the NSLS in- 2017 ducted members)

The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi

Love of Learning Award 2019

VOLUNTARY EXPERIENCE

Brigham Young University—Hawaii

Hong Kong Student Association President

2015 - 2016

- Increased membership from 50+ to 100+ in one year.
- Led my association to perform on a stage in front of 3000+ audience at an annual event called *Culture Night* at BYUH.
- Organized 30+ small and large events such as *speed dating*, *food festival*, career, and networking workshop for members.
- Status: Part-Time
- Working hours: 10 hours per week

Hong Kong Student Association Vice President

2014 - 2015

- Created a menu to earn a profit of \$1000+ from annual food festival event for the association in one night.
- Status: Part-Time
- Working hours: 10 hours per week

The Church Of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

Missionary 2012 - 2014

- Appointed to lead and provide training to groups of up to 30 other missionaries.
- Gained experience in interpersonal skills by sharing the message of Jesus Christ via means of cold calls, street contacts, and visiting people in their homes.
- Status: Full-Time
- Working hours: 112 hours per week

Professional
Affiliations

The National Society of Leadership and Success, Member	2017 - Present
Phi Kappa Phi, Member	2016 - Present
Association of Computing Machinery, Member	2016 - Present
Upsilon Pi Epsilon, Member	2016 - Present

CERTIFICATIONS

Deep Learning Specialization, deeplearning.ai	Jun 2019
Machine Learning by Stanford University, Coursera	Mar 2019
Tableau Desktop Specialist, Tableau Software	Feb 2019

SKILLS

Language: English (Fluent), Cantonese (Native), Mandarin (Fluent)
Programming Language: Python, R, MATLAB, SQL, C#, C, C++, PHP, Ruby, Java
Framework:, Pytorch, Keras, OpenCV, Scikit-learn, TensorFlow, Dlib
Other: Tableau, AWS EC2, AWS Dynamodb, AWS S3

References

- Academia:
 - Dr. Norm Matloff, Professor, UC Davis
 - * Field of study: Probability, Functional Analysis and Statistics
 - * Relationship: Project advisor
 - * Phone: 530-752-1953, Email: matloff@cs.ucdavis.edu
 - Dr. James Sharpnack, Assistant Professor, UC Davis
 - * Field of study: Statistics, Machine Learning
 - * Relationship: Project advisor, a teacher in multiple classes
 - * Phone: 530-341-3981, Email: jsharpna@ucdavis.edu
 - Dr. Vasu Chetty, Principal Data Scientist, Lucid Software Inc.,
 - * Field of study: Computer Science
 - * Relationship: Thesis advisor, a teacher in multiple classes
 - * Phone: 808-589-9586, Email: vasuc@lucidchart.com
 - Dr. Sean Warnick, Professor, Brigham Young University,
 - * Field of study: Network Systems and Control
 - * Relationship: Summer research internship supervisor
 - * Phone: 801-422-6463, Email: sean@cs.byu.edu
 - Dr. Paul Hurst, Associate Professor, Brigham Young University—Hawaii,
 - * Field of study: Mathematics
 - * Relationship: Research advisor, a teacher in multiple classes
 - * Phone: 808-675-3802, Email: hurstp@byuh.edu

- Dr. Joel Helms, Professor, Brigham Young University—Hawaii,
 - * Field of study: Mathematics
 - * Relationship: A teacher in multiple classes
 - * Phone: 808-675-4704, Email: joel.helms@byuh.edu

• Employment:

- Ms. Kathy Pulotu, Institutional Research and Assessment Manager, Brigham Young University—Hawaii,
 - * Relationship: Direct supervisor
 - * Email: kathy.pulotu@byuh.edu
- Dr. Rose Ram, Associate Academic Vice President Curriculum and Assessment, Brigham Young University—Hawaii,
 - * Relationship: Indirect supervisor
 - * Email: rose.ram@byuh.edu