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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Casual inference, reinforcement learning, 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
- GPA: 4.0/4.0

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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.
- 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.

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- 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)

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- 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.

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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 inducted 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 Phi Kappa Phi, Member Association of Computing Machinery, Member Upsilon Pi Epsilon, Member	2017 - Present 2016 - Present 2016 - Present 2016 - Present
CERTIFICATIONS	Deep Learning Specialization, deeplearning.ai Machine Learning by Stanford University, Coursera Tableau Desktop Specialist, Tableau Software	Jun 2019 Mar 2019 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. 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