

# Ken Etchells

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## Programming Languages

Strong Python  
R  
Java  
JavaScript  
TypeScript  
HTML

## Other Software

SQL  
Git  
JupyterLab  
CMD  
Bash  
L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X  
MS Office

## Work Experience

- 2021 **Rotman Research Institute** [Rotman Research Institute](#)  
*Statistician/Analyst*  
April-August
- Performed statistical analyses in R on data sets relating to concussions
  - Summarized findings and presented to researchers
  - Assisted researchers in interpreting the data and writing up the findings of the study
  - Ran several meetings during which results of the statistical analysis were presented
  - Participated in weekly meetings during which progress updates were given
- 2018-2019 **UCC Summer Camps** [UCC Camps](#)  
*Coding Camp Counselor*  
July - August (4 months total)
- Ensured the health and safety of the campers
  - Helped design a curriculum of basic Python for 10-15 year olds
  - Taught the campers basic Python up to user-defined functions and loops
  - Addressed questions and concerns from parents
- 2019 **Market Four Seasons** [Market Four Seasons Facebook](#)  
*Sales Associate*  
April - June
- Elicited customer needs
  - Showed products to customers and made recommendations based on their stipulations
  - Completed sales
  - Unloaded inventory from the truck to the store
  - Daily care of plants and flowers
  - Opening and closing
  - Inventory management and organization
- 2016-2017 **iNAGO** [iNAGO](#)  
*Co-op Student*  
September - June
- Tested a personal assistant meant for use in cars
  - Improved conversational fluidity
  - Expanded library of possible user inquiries
  - Expanded library of assistant responses

## Education

- 2018–Present **HBSc** Candidate in Physics and Astronomy [University of Waterloo](#)
- Computing Option
  - Experience in PyTorch

## Hobbies

- 2007–Present **Piano**
- 2007–Present **Squash**
- 2012–Present **Taekwondo**  
*Red Belt*
- 2013–Present **Basketball**

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## Projects

- Gas in a box simulation (Python)
  - Created a class that produces a simulation of  $N$  gas particles, approximated as circles of radius  $r$ , trapped in a 2D box.
  - The simulation could be used to produce a visual simulation of the gas in the box.
  - The class had several attributes such as the mass of each particle, particle radius, temperature, or box size.
  - By varying these attributes and plotting the results, certain physical laws can be demonstrated, e.g. showing the particle velocities follow a Maxwell-Boltzmann distribution.
- Star simulation (Python)
  - Created functions that would enable us to solve the equations of stellar structure.
  - These results can be used to simulate several different types of star with the only argument required being the central temperature.
  - The `make_star` function can be run several times to produce a [Hertzsprung-Russell Diagram](#).
- Spectral Inference Networks (Python)
  - Combines spectral methods for solving differential equations and neural networks.
  - Can be used to approximate eigenfunctions of the Laplacian.
  - Potential future applications include solving quantum mechanics or fluid dynamic problems.
  - Worked with three others to create a new implementation in Jax based on [this paper](#).
- NBA Statistical Analysis (Python/SQL)
  - Created a web scraper in Python to obtain NBA statistics from basketball reference and store them in SQL tables.
  - Ended with a SQL database containing all major statistics since the 1950s and all play-by-play data since play-by-play data started being recorded.
- Solar System Simulator (Java)
  - Created an animation of the Solar System with accurate relative planet speeds.
  - Added several buttons that changed the simulation in different ways e.g. Turn the Sun into a black hole, make the relative sizes of the planets correct
  - Added text fields that allowed the user to type in the rotational period of any of the planets in a variety of units. The relative rotational speeds of the other planets would remain correct at all times.
  - This was my final project for grade 12 computer science and I had a lot of fun making it.

Please contact me for references or a transcript  
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