

Laura Greenstreet



I am a PhD student at Cornell working with Dr. Carla Gomes to develop AI and optimization methods with sustainability applications, including mapping aquaculture with remote sensing and invasive species management. Previously, I worked with Dr. Claire Kremen to scale an analysis of functional connectivity to the global level and with Dr. Geoffrey Schiebinger to develop optimization methods for single-cell genomics.

EDUCATION

- 2021 - Present **Ph.D. Computer Science**, Cornell University
Research areas: Deep Learning, Remote Sensing, Optimization
- 2020 **B.Sc. Honours Computer Science, Mathematics Minor**,
University of British Columbia

PUBLICATIONS

- 2023 **Greenstreet, L.**, A. Afanassiev, Y. Kijima, M. Heitz, S. Ichiguro, et al. *DNA-GPS: A Theoretical Framework for Optics-Free Spatial Genomics and Synthesis of Current Methods*. Cell Systems, 2023. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cels.2023.08.005>
- 2023 Mirka, R., **L. Greenstreet**, M. Grimson, C.P. Gomes. *A New Approach to Finding $2 \times n$ Partially Spatially Balanced Latin Rectangles*, CP, 2023.
- 2022 Brennan, A., R. Naidoo, **L. Greenstreet**, Z. Mehrabi, N. Ramankutty, C. Kremen. *Functional Connectivity of the Worlds Protected Areas*. Science, 2022. <https://doi.org/10.1126/science.abl8974>
- 2022 **Greenstreet, L.**, N.J.A. Harvey, V. Sanches Portella. *Efficient and Optimal Fixed-Time Regret with Two Experts*. ALT, 2022. <https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2203.07577>
- 2021 Zhang, S., A. Afanassiev, **L. Greenstreet**, T. Matsumoto, G. Schiebinger. *Optimal transport analysis reveals trajectories in steady-state systems*. PLOS Computational Biology, 2021. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pcbi.1009466>
- 2021 Li, H., J. Ezike, A. Afanassiev, **L. Greenstreet**, et al. *Single Cell Analysis Elucidates the Maturation of Human Stem and Progenitor Cell Function from Fetal through Adult Hematopoiesis*. Blood, 2021. <https://doi.org/10.1182/blood-2021-151090>
- 2021 Shahan R., C. Hsu, T.M. Nolan, B.J. Cole, I.W. Taylor, **L. Greenstreet**, et al. *A single cell Arabidopsis root atlas reveals developmental trajectories in wild type and cell identity mutants*. Developmental Cell, 2021. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.devcel.2022.01.008>
- 2020 Massri, A.J., **L. Greenstreet**, A. Afanassiev, A. Berrio Escobar, G.M. Wray, G. Schiebinger, D.R. McClay. *Developmental Single-cell transcriptomics in the Lytechinus variegatus Sea Urchin Embryo*. Development, 2020. <https://doi.org/10.1242/dev.198614>

WORKSHOPS AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 **Greenstreet, L.**, J. Fan, F. Siqueira Pacheco, Y. Bai, M. Eichemberger Ummus, et al. *Detecting Aquaculture with Deep Learning in a Low-Data Setting*. SigKDD 2023 Fragile Earth Workshop.
- 2020 **Greenstreet, L.**, and E. Lai. *Developing a Data-Driven Electric Vehicle Strategy in Surrey, BC*. SigKDD 2020 Social Impact Session.

■ Bioinformatics ■ Geospatial ■ Theory

AWARDS

2022, 2023 **Graduate Teaching Award x3**, Department of Computer Science, Cornell University
2020 **Undergraduate Summer Research Award**, Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC)
2019 **Data Science for Social Good Fellowship**, UBC Data Science Institute
2018 **Stanley M Grant Scholarship in Mathematics**, UBC Department of Mathematics

LANGUAGES AND TECHNOLOGIES

3+ Years Experience: Python, Git, Linux

1-3 Years Experience: R, Julia, Matlab, Java, SQL

Libraries/Tools: Pytorch, scipy, Geopandas, cvxpy, sklearn, QGIS, Postgres, Gurobi, CPLEX

Experience: deep learning with geospatial data, contrastive learning, manifold learning, optimization including mixed integer programming and optimal transport, data processing for geospatial and single-cell sequencing data, SQL database development and integration

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

05/2023 - Present **Research Assistant**, Computational Sustainability Lab, Department of Computer Science, Cornell University
05/2022 - 08/2022 **Research Assistant**, Schiebinger Lab, Department of Mathematics, University of British Columbia
09/2019 - 09/2020 **Research Assistant**, WoRCS Lab, Institute for Resources, Environment, and Sustainability, University of British Columbia
05/2019 - 08/2019 **Fellow - Data Science for Social Good Program**, University of British Columbia Data Science Institute

WORK EXPERIENCE

09/2022 - 05/2023 **Head Teaching Assistant**, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
 CS 2700 - Excursions in Computational Sustainability
 CS 4700/4701 - Foundations/Practicum in Artificial Intelligence
09/2021 - 05/2022 **Teaching Assistant**, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
 CS 4220 - Numerical Analysis: Linear and Nonlinear Problems
 CS 3220 - Computational Mathematics for Computer Science
10/2021 - 11/2021 **Database Consultant**, City of Surrey, Vancouver BC
01/2019 - 05/2019 **eTextbook Developer**, University of British Columbia Library, Vancouver, BC
07/2015 - 08/2017 **Information Technology Coordinator**, Tilth Alliance, Seattle, WA

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

2023 **Organizer**, NeurIPS Computational Sustainability Workshop
2023 **Mentor**, BURE Undergraduate Research Program, Cornell
2023 **Volunteer TA**, AI for Science Program, Cornell
2020-2021 **Mentor**, Data Science for Social Good Program, UBC Data Science Institute
2019 **Tutor**, Emerging Indigenous Scholars Program, University of British Columbia