

# Logan Cooper

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## SKILLS

- **Languages:** Python, SQL, R, JavaScript
- **Frameworks:** Pandas, scikit-learn, numpy, scipy, PyTorch, spacy, Flask, D3.js, Node, Express
- **Tools:** Git, PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Amazon Web Services (AWS), Tableau, Docker

## EDUCATION

- **Duke University** Durham, NC  
• *M.S. Economics and Computer Science* 2021 - 2023  
Selected Coursework: Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Databases, Topics in Data Science, Mathematical Statistics
- **U.C. Santa Cruz** Santa Cruz, CA  
• *B.A. Global Economics (cum laude)* 2012 - 2016

## EXPERIENCE

- **EBP US** New York, NY  
• *Senior Data Analyst* July 2023 - Present
  - Performing inference and hypothesis testing using R on vehicle mileage data to analyze impacts of proposed changes to California's gasoline tax.
  - Building economic models in SQL to forecast the economic and environmental impact of changes to public transportation fleets in Michigan.
- **Duke University** Durham, NC  
• *Graduate Research Assistant* Feb 2022 - May 2022, Sep 2022 - May 2023
  - Created a novel research dataset by computationally scraping and cleaning 80GB of news broadcast transcripts into a PostgreSQL database, saving several hours of manual cleaning.
  - Identified subsets of data relevant to specific research questions with BERT-based keyword extraction and topic modelling algorithms.
- **Pearson** Durham, NC  
• *Data Scientist Intern* May 2022 - Aug 2022
  - Developed data pipelines with Python/pandas to download, clean, and transcribe 11.5 million text, audio, and video documents from internal APIs and store them in Google BigQuery for use as training data for NLP training data.
  - Prototyped an NLP-based search engine including a Flask API and React frontend for a pitch to senior management; resulting in the approval of a new AI study tool in major subscription service.
- **Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco** San Francisco, CA  
• *Software Developer* Jul 2020 - Jul 2021
  - Created a custom Java ETL tool enabling a data conversion that reduced request time for several economic datasets from weeks to minutes.
- **Forio** San Francisco, CA  
• *Software Developer* Jan 2018 - Jun 2020
  - Built React/Redux frontends and Node (Express) backends for 9 educational simulations collectively worth over \$990,000 in revenue.
  - Saved 8-16 hours of developer time per project while improving adherence to internal coding standards by creating a Node CLI tool to auto-generate project and component boilerplate.

## PROJECTS

- **Debunked! – Modelling the LOCO Conspiracy Corpus:** Group project. Uses the LOCO Conspiracy Corpus to identify topics and keywords in conspiracy theory articles and how closely those terms are linked to each other. Tech: Python, pandas, spaCy, BERT
- **PollyDarton – NLP-driven Data Curation for Polymer Nanocomposite Data Resources:** Group project. NLP-based classification of sentences in published materials science papers. Improved F1 score over current models by 0.05 points. Tech: Python, PyTorch, scikit-learn, NLTK, Gensim, RoBERTa
- **Obesity and Corruption in the Former USSR:** Working research paper with Prof. Charlie Becker which corrects for omitted variables in a 2021 paper which uses machine learning estimates of politicians' BMIs as a proxy variable for corruption. Finds that upon correcting for age and sex, the corruption-BMI relationship is weaker but still significant between the 5% and 10% levels. Tech: Python, pandas, Statsmodels
- **Linear Regression API:** API which can perform and visualize simple OLS linear regressions. Tech: Python, Flask, JavaScript, D3.js, AWS Lambda