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Education

2017 – current 2017 – current Visiting PhD, Big Data Institute, University of Oxford, UK

2015 - current | PhD, Mathematics for Real-World Systems CDT, University of Warwick, UK

Research area: Computational Neuroimaging and Behaviours.

Summary: Apply machine learning and statistical methods to explore associations between

neuroimaging and behavioural data.

Awarded Warwick-China Joint PhD Scholarship.

2014 – 2015 MSc, Mathematics for Real-World Systems CDT, University of Warwick, UK

Individual project: Survival Following Pancreatoduodenectomy in England: Perspectives

from the HES Database (collaborated with University Hospital Birmingham).

Group project: Using Multi-omic Cancer Data to Find Ways to Improve the Treatment of

Bladder Cancer (collaborated with University Hospital Birmingham).

Classification: Distinction.

2013 – 2014 MSc, Mathematical Finance, Loughborough University, UK

MSc project: Simulating Sample Paths of Stochastic Processes Arising in Financial Engi-

neering.

Main skills: Numerical simulation, stochastic processes & programming.

Classification: Distinction.

Awarded First-class China Partnership Scholarship.

2012 – 2013 | Exchange year, Mathematics, Loughborough University, UK

BSc project: Spreading of Water Waves.

Main skills: Mathematical modelling, differential equations, numerical simulation & program-

ming.

Classification: First-class honours.

Awarded First-class China Partnership Scholarship.

2009 – 2012 | BSc: Mathematics and Applied Mathematics, Shandong University, China

Main interests: Mathematical modelling, mathematical biology, statistics, numerical analysis,

ODEs, PDEs. GPA: 84.3

Computer Skills

- **Python**: Current language for PhD research. Previously used in several study groups and summer school including using Keras implementing neural networks; completed Coursera courses: Introduction to Data Science in Python, Algorithmic Toolbox and Data Structures.
- Matlab: 2 years+ experience. Used on previous PhD project.
- C/C++: Used on a few projects and courseworks in Bachelor and both of my Masters degrees; tutored a C++ module for one year and half.
- R: Used intensively on two Masters projects lasted for 6 months.
- **GPU computing**: Introductory knowledge in GPU computing including using CUDA and implementing deep learning.
- Cluster computing, Maple, BASH, Latex & Microsoft Office.

Academic Activities

Dec 2017 | Facilitator of The Alan Turing Institute Data Study Group

Project: Modelling and predicting spatio-temporal demand with Inmarsat.

2016 – 2017 | Chair of the Warwick Neuroimaging Statistics reading group

Help with organising seminars related to neuroimaging and statistical method on a weekly

basis.

Occasionally Organise seminars for external speakers in the department of Computer Science.

Present research project at departmental open days.

Working Experience

2018 – current | Science Lead/Liaison of Turing Data Study Group, The Alan Turing Institute

Serve as the main point of contact for data scientific topics for one or more potential partner organisations; Designing problem statements which balance practical and scientific concerns; Understanding the landscape of real-world business problems that could be addressed

through data science.

2016 – current | Associate Tutor, University of Warwick

Module names: C++ for Quantitive Finance (Masters module of Warwick Business School); Digital Communication and Signal Processing (Second-year module of Computer Science); Quantitive Analysis for Management I & II (First-year modules of Warwick Business School).

Aug – Sep 2013 Internship at China Construction Bank Corp. Jinan Licheng Sub-branch, Jinan, China

Position: Company business department.

Main work: Analysing financial reports; managing the client information database and visiting

clients.

Talks and Presentations

2015 – 2017 Warwick Neurostats reading group: I have given 5 talks in this seminar series.

Details of the talks: http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/sci/statistics/staff/

academic-research/nichols/research/neuro-stat

May 2016 | Warwick Complexity Science annual retreat: Three Minute Thesis (3MT) on links between

human behaviour and brain functional connectivity.

May 2015 | Warwick Complexity Science annual retreat: Poster presentation on group project entitled

'Using Multi-omic Cancer Data to Find Ways to Improve the Treatment of Bladder Cancer'.

Conferences and Meetings

Jun 2018 Organization for Human Brain Mapping Annual Meeting: Abstract entitled 'Factors Influencing

the Stability of CCA on Neuroimaging and Behavioural Data' accepted.

Jun 2017 Organization for Human Brain Mapping Annual Meeting: Poster presentation entitled 'Improv-

ing Stability of Imaging-Behavioral CCA with Supervised Dimension Reduction'.

Funded by MathSys CDT, University of Warwick and Guarantors of Brain.

Mar 2016 | EPSRC meeting: Structured Healthcare Data Mining for Neuroscience Patient Stratification

and New Therapeutic Target Discovery.

Nov 2015 Pancreatic Society Annual Meeting: Abstract entitled 'Analysis of the HES database reveals

a dramatic reduction in 90 day mortality following pancreaticoduodenectomy over the last 12

years' accepted.

Paper Accepted

2018 Ninety day mortality following pancreatoduodenectomy in England: has the optimum centre volume been identified? (co-first author). HPB.

Workshops & Study Groups

Nov 2017	Dell-sponsored NVidia CUDA and deep learning workshop. Big Data Institute, University of Oxford, UK.
Sep 2017	European Study Group with Industry 130. University of Warwick, UK. Project: Measuring Vibrations from Video Feeds.
Jun 2017	Introduction to Machine Learning Summer School. University of Warwick, UK. https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/sci/maths/research/events/2016-17/nonsymposium/iml
May 2017	The Alan Turing Institute Data Study Group, London, UK Project: Clustering of mobile game users and prediction of cluster transition with Samsung.
Mar 2017	BrainHack Warwick. University of Warwick, UK.
Oct 2016	OxWaSP symposium: New Statistical Method for Large Data. University of Warwick, UK.
Apr 2016	European Study Group with Industry 116. Durham University, UK. Project: Understanding the accuracy of pre-symptomatic diagnosis of sepsis.

Interests

- Bridge playing: Participated in The 9th China University Games and many other local competitions.
- Piano and keyboard playing: Passed China amateur grading test level 10 for keyboard and level 8 for piano.
- Badminton playing: Participated in many university competitions.
- I also enjoy doing weight lifting, baking and am-dram.