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EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University (CMU) | PhD in Statistics | Advisor: Aaditya Ramdas

May 2027

GPA: 3.96/4.00 | Topics: nonstationary time series, deep learning, causal discovery, and observational causal inference

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) | MS in Statistics

May 2022

• GPA: 3.95/4.00 | Awards: 2-year teaching assistantship with full tuition waiver and stipend

Fordham University | BS in Mathematics with Minors in Computer Science and Economics

May 2020

• GPA: 3.77/4.00 | Awards: magna cum laude | GRE: 170/170 Quantitative, 163/170 Verbal, 4.5/6.0 Writing

DOCTORAL RESEARCH

Deep Learning for Nonstationary Nonlinear Time Series | Wei Biao Wu

2025+

· Developing theory for estimating time-varying regression functions of nonstationary time series using deep neural networks

Simulation-Based Inference for Models of Complex Temporal Systems | Cosma Shalizi

2024+

Creating a method for inferring the parameters of analytically intractable models of nonstationary nonlinear time series

Identifying Relevant Forecasting Signals in Unstable Forecasting Environments | Michel Haddad and Aaditya Ramdas 2023+

Developing a framework for detecting new forecasting signals that can be used with nonstationary nonlinear time series

Conditional Independence Testing for Nonstationary Nonlinear Time Series | Michel Haddad and Aaditya Ramdas

2023+

Creating a conditional independence test based on time-varying regression that is robust to nonstationarity and dependence

INDUSTRY INTERNSHIPS

J.P. Morgan | Quantitative Research | Markets Summer Associate | Received Return Offer

June 2023-Aug. 2023

- · Worked with macro traders and quants on a method for hedging derivatives portfolios via multi-period optimization
- Collaborated with energy derivatives traders on improving the statistical methods used in a systematic trading strategy

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June 2022-Aug. 2022

Developed a method for adaptively selecting the parameters of a trade execution algorithm based on real-time market data

RESEARCH INTERNSHIPS AND ASSISTANTSHIPS

National Center for Supercomputing Applications | Great Lakes to Gulf | Graduate Research Assistant

Sept. 2020-May 2022

Built confidence bands for trends in concentrations and fluxes of chemicals to measure water quality changes across the US

MIT Lincoln Lab | Interceptor and Sensor Technology Group | Summer Research Intern

May 2021-July 2021

• Implemented signal processing methods for tracking objects in outer space and ran simulations to evaluate different methods

UIUC | FORWARD Data Lab | Computer Science Department | Graduate Research Assistant

Jan. 2021-May 2021

· Discovered patterns in the cross-platform dynamics of posts on Twitter, Facebook, and Reddit using Hawkes processes

PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES AND SOFTWARE

Python expert (NumPy, pandas, scikit-learn, PyTorch, TensorFlow), R expert (tidyverse, Rcpp), proficient in SQL, q/kdb+

COURSEWORK

- Statistics: Statistical Machine Learning, Time Series, Regression Analysis, Statistical Theory, Statistical Computing
- Computer Science: Algorithms, Data Structures, Operating Systems, Computer Architecture, Artificial Intelligence
- Math: Stochastic Calculus, Measure-Theoretic Probability, Numerical Analysis, Functional Analysis, Measure Theory,
 Interacting Particle Systems, Geometric Flows, Lie Groupoids and Algebroids, Abstract Algebra, Topology, Real Analysis

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

• 2024+: Chair of CMU Statistics PhD student committee in charge of organizing academia and industry career events

TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIPS

- MS in Computational Finance: Simulation Methods for Option Pricing, Financial Time Series Analysis, Financial Data Science I and II, and the Machine Learning Capstone Project
- MS in Data Science: Time Series Analysis
- BS in Statistics/StatML: Advanced Data Analysis

POSTERS AND TALKS

- 2025: Gave a talk at Amazon, and gave a talk at the Virtual Time Series Seminar's Workshop for Junior Researchers
- 2024: Presented a poster at the NBER-NSF Time Series Conference at UPenn, and gave a talk to the StatML Group at CMU