Nishad Wajge

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TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Languages: Python, Java, C, R (RStudio), SQL (Postgres), Unix, Bash, x86, OCaml, Rust, MatLab
- Frameworks: PyTorch, TensorFlow, Seaborn, Scikit-learn, JUnit
- Developer Tools: IBM Rational Team Concert, Docker, Jenkins, Apache Maven, Git, Figma, Excel

EDUCATION

University of Maryland - College Park

Aug 2023 - Dec 2026

BS Computer Science (Machine Learning) and Statistics

College Park, MD

• Coursework: Algorithms, Organization of Programming Languages, Data Science, Discrete Structures, Computer Systems, Object-Oriented Programming, Applied Probability and Statistics 1 & 2, Calculus 3, Linear Algebra

EXPERIENCE

Booz Allen Hamilton

Sep 2024 – Present

McLean, VA

Technical Project Manager

- Led cross-functional teams (Frontend, Backend, UI/UX) to develop a policy auditing software for Medicaid and CHIP
- Designed a **Postgres** database with parametrized queries for **SQLi prevention** to store **10**+ years of policies and keys
- Developed backend REST API monitoring in Express.js and keyword generation tool using Meta's BART and GLiNER
- Met weekly with CTO and lead engineer to review progress, align on deliverables, and ensure achievement of KPIs

Internal Revenue Service, U.S. Department of the Treasury

Jan 2024 – Present

Software Engineer Intern

Washington, DC

- Modernized key Post-ETL fraud detection processes in IBM RTC at the Division of IT's Return Review Program
- Deployed division-wide Jenkins CI/CD pipeline upgrade from JDK 11 to 17 with 100% coverage in Maven for QA testing
- Gained experience in **Agile** environment with monthly **Sprints** and daily **DevOps** meetings to maintain stakeholder relations

RESEARCH

Institute for Advanced Computer Studies, University of Maryland

Oct 2023 – May 2024

Machine Learning Researcher

College Park, MD

- Contributed to Easy2Hard-Bench, a collection of 6 benchmark datasets with standardized difficulty labels for LLM evaluation
- Performed tests across various domains, such as mathematics and programming, chess puzzles, and reasoning questions
- Estimated problem difficulty using human and LLM performance data, applying IRT and Glicko-2 models for uniform scoring

HEC Lausanne

Jan 2021 – Aug 2023

Game Theory Researcher

- Remote
- Engineered a game theory-inspired, reinforcement learning decision-making algorithm to optimize playing strategies in golf
 Constructed a novel Markov Decision Process framework in Python for 2-player, turn-based stochastic shortest path problems
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- Analyzed in RStudio and Excel (Pivot Table, VLookup) from proprietary PGA ShotLink containing 600K+ datapoints

ASDRP May 2022 – Apr 2023

Researcher

Fremont, CA

- Created a regression model (KNN Classifier, F1-Score, Random Forest) to analyze 10K+ hospital triaging patient database
- Leveraged classification task in **TensorFlow** and **Seaborn** with **SHAP Values** to find correlations with **75%** accuracy

PUBLICATIONS

- N Wajge, G Stauffer. Computational Statistics (Special Issue: Sports Data Science). 2025
- N Wajge, F Huang. Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS) Conference. 2024
- N Wajge, K Hill. International Journal of High School Research. 6, 5: 93-97, 2024
- N Wajge, G Stauffer. Shortlisted at MIT Sloan Sports Analytics Conference. 2024
- N Wajge, P Mui. Annals of Biomedical Science and Engineering. 7: 24-30, 2023
- N Wajge, G Stauffer. Institute for Operations Research and Management Sciences (INFORMS) Conference. 2022
- N Wajge, P Mui. Stanford School of Medicine JUST Health Journal. 5: 13-16, 2022

LEADERSHIP

Club Golf
President & Social Chair

Jan 2024 - Present

College Park, MD

- Oversaw team practices, tournaments, and fundraising events to maintain consistent schedule and participation
- Coordinated with other clubs to host events and socials and act as a liaison for alumni and prospective club members