

Nicholas S Spyrison

curriculum vitae



*Build a culture of stopping to fix problems, to get quality right the first time.
—Principle 5, The Toyota Way*

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Education

Ph.D. Information Technology, 2018 – Q3/4 2021 (expected)
Monash University, Clayton, VIC. Australia,
Multi-variate data visualization.

B.Sc. Statistics, 2008 – 2012
Iowa State University, Ames, IA. USA,
Minors: physics and mathematics.

Doctoral thesis

Topic: *Interactive and animated visualization of multivariate data via low-dimensional projections, as embedded and viewed in stereoscopically-true 2D and 3D.*

Supervisors:

Professor Kimbal Marriott, research.monash.edu,
Department of Human-Centred Computing
Professor Dianne Cook, dicook.org,
Department of Econometrics and Business Statistics

Experience

Teaching assistant, data exploration and visualization, 2020 – 2020
Monash University.

Research officer, human geology, 2019 – 2019
Monash University.

Teaching assistant, business and economic statistics, 2018 – 2019
Monash University.

Research officer, criminology, 2018 – 2018
Monash University.

Business Intelligence Developer, 2016 – 2018
CPI Card Group.

- Develop mid- and high-abstraction T-SQL queries
- Database reporting; across 4 reporting platforms (SSRS, Crystal, Oracle BICS, Excel) and 4 database instances
- Developed supply chain report tracking and feeding a cost reduction of more than \$4M USD within one plant

Business Intelligence Developer, <i>UDR Real Estate Investment Trust.</i>	2015 – 2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Develop high abstraction level <i>T-SQL</i> development ◦ Database reporting; <i>SSRS</i> ◦ On-call for enterprise-wide ETL process 	
Business Intelligence Analyst, <i>Heartland Financial USA.</i>	2014 – 2015
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Database reporting 	
Laboratory Technician, <i>The Ames Laboratory & Iowa State University;</i> <i>Department of Physics & Astronomy.</i> Superconductivity & Magnetism Low-temperature Laboratory, physics.iastate.edu/	2014 – 2014
Delivery Analyst, <i>IBM – International Business Machines.</i>	2013 – 2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ IBM's lean/six sigma green belt, root cause analysis (RCA) ◦ ETL scripting via VBA macros for greater than 1 FTE savings across team 	
User Interface Developer, <i>Iowa State University; Department of Statistics.</i>	2012 – 2012
Laboratory Technician, <i>The Ames Laboratory & Iowa State University;</i> <i>Department of Physics & Astronomy.</i> Superconductivity & Magnetism Low-temperature Laboratory, physics.iastate.edu/	2010 – 2012
Physics Tutor, <i>Iowa State University.</i>	2010 – 2012

Software

R stats: Advanced; package author, academic publications, shiny applications, and blogdown websites

T-SQL: Intermediate, medium to high abstraction, *Esp.* 2012, 2016, SSMS, SSRS

Excel: Power user; macros, VBA, complex analysis and reporting

LaTeX: Intermediate; especially for journal articles, and *Esp.* indirectly through the markup language, *rmarkdown*

Awards and honors

Melbourne Datathon 2020, Insights category – 1st place, <i>Changes to Victorian Intraday Electricity Demand Following COVID-19 Restrictions,</i> github.com .	2020
ACEMS Impact and Engagement Award, <i>Creation and sharing of R package {spinifex} and contributions to {tourr}.</i>	2018
UseR2018 Datathon – 3rd place, <i>Consumption, modeling, and visualization of over 7 million observations of avian sightings.</i>	2018
Nominated for Student Employee of the Year, <i>Reliability, quality of work, initiative, professionalism, and uniqueness of contribution to Iowa State University.</i>	2012
Nominated for Student Employee of the Year, <i>Reliability, quality of work, initiative, professionalism, and uniqueness of contribution to Iowa State University.</i>	2011

Demonstration of the qualities: courage, honor, leadership, patriotism, scholarship, and service.

Membership & community

CHI Down Under May 2020, online conference, Student Volunteer
 UseR! July 2018, conference - Brisbane, Australia., Student Volunteer
 Australian Centre of Excellence for Mathematical and Statistical Frontiers (ACEMS)
 Statistical Society of Australia (SSA), Victorian branch
 American Statistical Association, district 4
 Melbourne Users of R Network (MelbURN)
 R-Ladies Melbourne
 Denver R User Group
 Denver SQL Server User Group
 The R-podcast
 Not so standard deviations (R podcast)
 Credibly Curious (R podcast)

Software (R package)

- [2] N. Spyrisson and D. Cook, *Spinifex: Manual tours, manual control of dynamic projections of numeric multivariate data*, version 0.2.7, 2020. [Online]. Available: <https://github.com/nspyrisson/spinifex/>.

Conference in presentations

- [5] K. Cho, M. A. Tanatar, N. Spyrisson, H. Kim, R. Prozorov, G. Tan, J. Yan, P. Dai, and C. Zhang, "Doping-dependent anisotropic superconducting gap in $\text{Na}_{1-x}\text{FeAs}$ and NaFeAs upon interaction with the environment," presented at the APS March Meeting 2012, Publisher: APS, Boston, Massachusetts: Bulletin of the American Physical Society, 2012.
- [8] N. Spyrisson, M. A. Tanatar, K. Cho, E. Blomberg, G. Tan, J. Yan, P. Dai, C. Zhang, and R. Prozorov, "Oxidative deintercalation of single crystal $\text{Na}_{1-x}\text{FeAs}$ upon interaction with the environment," presented at the APS March Meeting 2012, Publisher: APS, Boston, Massachusetts: Bulletin of the American Physical Society, 2012.
- [10] M. A. Tanatar, N. Spyrisson, K. Cho, G. T. Tan, J. Q. Yan, P. C. Dai, C. L. Zhang, and R. Prozorov, "Temperature-dependent resistivity in single crystals $\text{Na}_{1-x}\text{FeAs}$ and NaFeAs upon interaction with the environment," presented at the APS March Meeting 2012, Publisher: APS, Boston, Massachusetts: Bulletin of the American Physical Society, 2012.
- [12] N. Spyrisson, P. Prommapan, H. Kim, J. Maloney, G. E. Rustan, A. Kreyssig, A. I. Goldman, and R. Prozorov, "Development of a tunnel diode resonator technique for magnetic measurements in electrostatic levitation chamber," presented at the APS March Meeting 2011, Dallas, Texas: Bulletin of the American Physical Society, 2011.

Journal articles

- [1] N. Spyrisson and Cook, Dianne, "Spinifex: An R package for creating a manual tour of low-dimensional projections of multivariate data," *The R Journal*, vol. 12, no. 1, (accepted), 2020.
- [3] H. Kim, M. A. Tanatar, W. E. Straszheim, K. Cho, J. Murphy, N. Spyrisson, J.-P. Reid, B. Shen, H.-H. Wen, and R. M. Fernandes, "Competition between superconductivity and magnetic/nematic order as a source of anisotropic superconducting gap in underdoped $\text{Ba}_{1-x}\text{K}_x\text{Fe}_2\text{As}_2$," *Physical Review B*, vol. 90, no. 1, p. 014517, 2014, Publisher: APS.
- [4] M. A. Tanatar, W. E. Straszheim, H. Kim, J. Murphy, N. Spyrisson, E. C. Blomberg, K. Cho, J.-P. Reid, B. Shen, and L. Taillefer, "Interplane resistivity of underdoped single crystals $(\text{Ba}_{1-x}\text{K}_x\text{Fe}_2\text{As}_2)$ ($0 < x < 0.34$)," *Physical Review B*, vol. 89, no. 14, p. 144514, 2014, Publisher: APS.

- [6] K. Cho, M. A. Tanatar, N. Spyrison, H. Kim, Y. Song, P. Dai, C. L. Zhang, and R. Prozorov, "Doping-dependent anisotropic superconducting gap in $\text{Na}_{1-x}\text{Fe}_x\text{CoAs}$ as from London penetration depth," *Physical Review B*, vol. 86, no. 2, p. 020508, 2012, Publisher: APS.
- [7] G. E. Rustan, N. Spyrison, A. Kreyssig, R. Prozorov, and A. I. Goldman, "Noncontact technique for measuring the electrical resistivity and magnetic susceptibility of electrostatically levitated materials," *Review of Scientific Instruments*, vol. 83, no. 10, p. 103907, 2012, Publisher: American Institute of Physics.
- [9] N. Spyrison, M. A. Tanatar, K. Cho, Y. Song, P. Dai, C. Zhang, and R. Prozorov, "Environmental stability and anisotropic resistivity of co-doped $\text{Na}_{1-x}\text{Fe}_x\text{CoAs}$," *Physical Review B*, vol. 86, no. 14, p. 144528, 2012, Publisher: APS.
- [11] M. A. Tanatar, N. Spyrison, K. Cho, E. C. Blomberg, G. Tan, P. Dai, C. Zhang, and R. Prozorov, "Evolution of normal and superconducting properties of single crystals of $\text{Na}_{1-x}\text{Fe}_x\text{As}$ upon interaction with environment," *Physical Review B*, vol. 85, no. 1, p. 014510, 2012, Publisher: APS.
- [13] N. Spyrison, P. Prommapan, H. Kim, J. Maloney, G. Rustan, A. Kreyssig, A. Goldman, and R. Prozorov, "Development of a tunnel diode resonator technique for magnetic measurements in electrostatic levitation chamber," Mar. 1, 2011.