Peter Zhang

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Education

University of California, Berkeley

Berkeley, CA

Computer Science & Economics B.A.; 4.00 Cumulative GPA

Class of 2023

- Coursework Data Structures, Discrete Math and Probability, Functional Programming, Linear Algebra, Statistics
- Activities Voyager Consulting, Debate Society at Berkeley, Computer Science Mentors, Berkeley Economic Review

Experience

Voyager Consulting

Berkeley, CA

Quantitative Consultant

Sep 2020-Present

- Analyzed social media and Google Trends data to forecast consumer interest in 55 groups of products
- Performed demand forecasting on 4.5M rows of CPG sales data to find successful products and launches

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Gaithersburg, MD

Applied Economics Research Intern

May 2020-Sep 2020

- Annotated 50+ papers on resilience planning to find trends in how co-benefits are treated in benefit-cost analysis
- Published user manual and case study for Edge\$, an online decision-making software for resilience projects

NLP Research Intern

Jun 2019–Aug 20

- Wrote Python scripts to preprocess corpora and construct subject-predicate-object tuples with NLTK/Gensim
- Improved Latent Dirichlet Allocation topic modeling coherence by over 30% using root-and-rule preprocessing

National Cancer Institute

Rockville, MD

Data Visualization Research Assistant

Jul 2019-Apr 2020

- Scraped and reformatted 1 billion+ gene expression datapoints from drug trials to expedite user queries
- Developed R Shiny app for dynamic plotting/analysis and created an Electron-based MacOS deployable

Projects

Debate Analysis

Sep 2020-Present

- Scraped 200k+ outcomes from debate tournaments and 5k+ publicly posted debate cases
- Found patterns in disclosure practices, judging decisions, gender biases, and geographic differences

World4 Apr 2019

- Carrying capacity model based on Spearman correlation and regression of 20+ environmental indicators
- Awarded Top 6 in the US in the International Mathematics Modeling Competition for rigor and innovation

Eye Coach Jan 2019

- iOS app built with augmented reality and Haar cascades to help people with autism train eye contact
- Built in 24 hours at Hack Pennsylvania, winning best-in-show among 100+ other participants

Roller Coaster Ranker

Nov 2018

- Neural network that predicts ratings from auto-encoded coaster features like height, speed, location, etc.
- Awarded finalist in the International High School Mathematics Challenge in Modeling among 280+ teams

Skills

Languages Python, R w/ Shiny, Java, SQL Lite/MySQL, HTML/CSS/Javascript, MATLAB, LATEX Tools Git/Terminal, Azure/AWS, VSCode/IntelliJ/Android Studio, WordPress, Electron

Awards

UC Berkeley Leadership Award; Recipient
USA Computing Olympiad; Platinum Division
American Regions Mathematics League; 8th Place

Jul 2020

Apr 2020

Jun 2019