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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

PHD IN HIGH ENERGY PARTICLE PHYSICS AND COSMOLOGY 2009-2013 | Vancouver, BC

M.Sc. IN HIGH ENERGY PARTICLE PHYSICS AND COSMOLOGY 2007-2009 | Vancouver, BC

UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG

B.Sc. IN MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS 2002-2007 | Winnipeg, MB

SKILLS

PROGRAMMING

FULLY PROFICIENT:

Python • Mathematica • Matlab • LEX • BASH • Hadoop • Spark

SEMI PROFICIENT:

C • C++ • MySQL • HTML • CSS • Javascript • Jquery • Bootstrap FAMILIAR:

Hive • Pig • KNIME

RESEARCH

UNIX/LINUX • OS X • Statistics • Machine Learning • Data Mining • Statistical Modeling • Data Visualizations • NumPy • Pandas • Scikit-learn • Matplotlib • Seaborn

- git Big Data Neural Networks
- Monte Carlo Simulations High Energy Particle Physics (HEP)

LANGUAGES

FULLY PROFICIENT: ENGLISH SEMI PROFICIENT: FRENCH

Basic: HUNGARIAN

EXPERIENCE

AMHERST CENTER FOR FUNDAMENTAL INTERACTIONS (ACFI)

POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOW

September 2013 - Present | University of Massachusetts, Amherst MA USA

- Led two major research programs in high energy particle physics & cosmology
- Developed and optimized machine-learning based analysis (boosted decision tree classifier) to study statistical sensitivity of future collider experiments currently in the design phase to various new physics models
- Developed software to perform Monte Carlo simulations over high dimensional multivariate data using distributed computing systems in the form of two clusters with 200 and 309 nodes, respectively
- Attained extensive experience in manipulation, filtering, and visualization of large multivariate datasets
- Applied statistical analysis to both simulated and real collider data including Chi-Squared based parameter estimation
- Made extensive use of analytical techniques in quantum field theory and cosmology
- Projects associated with these two programs successfully resulted in five peer-reviewed articles with three more currently being written

TRIUMF | RESEARCH ASSISTANT

September 2007 - August 2013 | TRIUMF, Vancouver BC Canada

- Performed numerical and statistical analysis and created visualizations using the Mathematica computer algebra system
- Applied statistical analysis to both simulated and real collider data including Chi-Squared based parameter estimation
- Made extensive use of analytical techniques in quantum field theory and cosmology
- Projects during this time successfully resulted in five peer-reviewed articles

TRIUMF | RESEARCH ASSISTANT

May 2007 - August 2007 | TRIUMF, Vancouver BC Canada

- Employed singular value decomposition analysis to reconstruct gamma ray paths in a high purity Germanium detector
- Project successfully resulted in an internal technical report for the TIGRESS group

TRIUMF | RESEARCH ASSISTANT

May 2006 - August 2006 | TRIUMF, Vancouver BC Canada

- Developed C++ code to implement Kolmogorov-Smirnov tests for quality improvement of data acquisition
- Project successfully resulted in an internal technical report for the TWIST group

SELECTED AWARDS

2013 1st in Canada Institute of Particle Physics Theory Fellow | Declined
2011 National Canada NSERC PhD Fellowship

2008 National Alexander Graham Bell Canada Graduate Scholarshp 2006 1st/Prairie Provinces TRIUMF Summer Research Award

2002 1st/school division William & Jean Meagher Scholarship