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#### Education

Carnegie Mellon University Pittsburgh, PA

Ph.D. in Statistics & Data Science

M.S. in Statistics & Data Science

2019

University of California, Berkeley

M.A. in Statistics

Berkeley, CA

2016

University of New South Wales

BCom (Actuarial Science & Finance)

Sydney, NSW

2007

### Technical Skills\_

**Coursework:** Convex Optimization, Adv. Statistical Inference, Adv. Probability Theory, Deep Learning, Statistical Machine Learning, Data Structures and Algorithms.

**Proficient:** R, Python, PyTorch/Tensorflow/JAX, SQL (PostgreSQL/Redshift/SQL Server), Git/Github, pandas, scikit-learn, LaTeX

Competent: Make, SAS, Unix, Julia

## Publications \_\_\_\_\_

#### **PAPERS**

- 1. Bong, H., Li, W., Shrotriya, S., & Rinaldo, A. (2020). Nonparametric Estimation in the Dynamic Bradley-Terry Model. In AISTATS (Online).
- 2. Li, W., Shrotriya, S., & Rinaldo, A. (2022). sup-norm Bounds of the MLE in the BTL Model under General Comparison Graphs. *Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence (UAI)*.
- 3. Dalmasso, N., Shrotriya, S., & Reinhart, A. (2019). Predictive Inference of a Wildfire Risk Pipeline in the United States. *NeurIPS 2019 Workshop on Tackling Climate Change with Machine Learning*.

#### **UNDER REVIEW (SUBMITTED)**

- 1. Shrotriya, S., & Neykov, M. (2022). Revisiting Le Cam's Equation: Exact Minimax Rates over Convex Density classes.
- 2. Shrotriya, S., & Neykov, M. (2022). *Uniform Location Estimation on Convex Bodies*.
- 3. Shrotriya, S., & Neykov, M. (2022). *Adversarial Sign-Corrupted Isotonic Regression*.
- 4. Fogliato, R., Shrotriya, S., & Kuchibhotla, A. K. (2021). maars: Tidy Inference under the "Models as Approximations" Framework in R.

#### COMPETITIONS

- 1. Bong, H., Li, W., & Shrotriya, S. (2019). Efficient Estimation of Distribution-Free Dynamics in the Bradley-Terry Model. *Carnegie Mellon Sports Analytics Conference (Reproducible Research Winner)*.
- 2. Barter, R., & Shrotriya, S. (2016). Integrated Data Analysis for Early Warning of Lung Failure. *ODBMS.org* (*Geisinger Competition Winner*).

# Industry Experience \_\_\_\_\_

**freelancer.com** Sydney, Australia

2014 - 2015

Team Lead, Data Science Infrastructure

• Designed and implemented a prototype of the new A/B testing framework.

- Co-designed and administered the Extract-Transform-Load (ETL) process written in Go and AWS Redshift.
- Co-designed the internal metrics monitoring dashboard.

Sydney, Australia Data Scientist 2012 - 2014

• Led the end-to-end development of the behavioural 'lifestage' customer classifier for the entire 7 million Woolworths Supermarket customerbase.

- Led the data-driven electronic marketing strategy for Woolworths Life Insurance which included developing scoring models (GLMs) and conducting A/B tests to optimise response rates.
- Co-designed and developed the National Australia Bank Online Retail Sales Index (NORSI).

#### **United Nations - International Labor Organization**

Pune, India

Microinsurance Fellow

2011 - 2012

- Selected as microinsurance fellow based on industry experience and academic merit.
- Wrote a report on the best actuarial pricing practices to be undertaken by microinsurance organisations.

**PwC** Sydney, Australia Senior Actuarial Consultant 2007 - 2011

 Built visualization dashboards for monitoring key risk metrics for Insurance Australia Group, Australias' largest private general insurer.

• Developed key reporting metrics used by Qantas airlines to assess key drivers and trends behind their Qantas Frequent Flyer Program (the largest customer loyalty program in Australia).

Presentations	
useR! 2021: The R Conference (Spotlight Talk)	Virtual
maars: Tidy inference under misspecified statistical models in R	2021
NeurIPS 2019 Climate Change Workshop (Spotlight Talk)	Vancouver, BC
Predictive inference of a wildfire risk pipeline in the United States	2019
Honors and Awards	
rstudio::global(2021) Diversity Scholar (RStudio)	2021
NGC Wildfire Research Scholar (American Australian Association)	2020
TA of the Year (Carnegie Mellon University)	2020
CMSAC Best Paper Award (Carnegie Mellon University)	2019
NeurIPS Climate Change Workshop Travel Award	2019
Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor (University of California, Berkeley)	2017
Elizabeth Scott Memorial Award (University of California, Berkeley)	2016
Best Paper and Competition Winner (Geisinger Health Collider Project)	2016
Software	
maars R Package	2021

Co-creator of the R package to implement tidy inference under the 'Models as Approximations' framework. Joint

## **Iterative Random Forests (iRF) Python Package**

work with Riccardo Fogliato and Arun Kumar Kuchibhotla.

2017

Co-Developer of Python package to detect predictive and stable high-order interactions.

# Teaching Experience

Statistical Computing - CMU 36-350 (head-TA)/ Advanced (graduate) Statistical Computing - CMU 36-750

With Prof. Alex Reinhart, Prof. Ale Rinaldo, Prof. Ryan Tibshirani.