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WORK EXPERIENCE

Post Doctoral Fellow

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, NIH

Aug 2019 - Present

Rockville, MD

- Led analysis for retrospective study of effect of remdesivir on COVID-19 patients in the ACTT-1 Trial
 - Used LASSO and Random Forest for variable selection
 - Implemented Fine-Gray competing event analysis to determine a prognostic score of patient outcome when there is no treatment
 - Tested whether remdesivir is effective after balancing for prognostic score to account for imbalance of features
- Developed an R package InfectionTrees, accompanying website, and manuscript (under review) studying the effect of HIV status and detection time on the probability of infection of clusters of Tuberculosis outbreaks
- Implemented and maintained an R Shiny app to aid researchers in development of malaria vaccine (https://additivity.niaid.nih.gov/)
- Created lecture material for epidemic modeling and programming in R

Parallel computing

Shiny

R

algorithms

PhD Student

Carnegie Mellon University

m June 2014 - Aug 2019

Pittsburgh, PA

- Researched statistical relationships between compartment models (CM) and agent-based models (AM)
 - Proved equivalence between CMs and AMs under some conditions
 - Derived guidelines for hybrid CM-AM epidemic models
- Published, programmed, and refined R package spew and manuscript to aid researchers in creating synthetic ecosystems to improve study in infectious disease epidemiology
- Delivered invited presentation about synthetic ecosystem creation at an international conference in Lucca, Italy
- Optimized code for high performance computing on a supercomputer
- Developed and presented material for Summer Undergraduate Research Experience in Statistics
- Oversaw lab for 100 students, organized and led review sessions for a variety of statistics and mathematics classes

Graduate Intern

PNC

₩ Summer 2015

Pittsburgh, PA

- Scraped and analyzed social media data for sentiment analysis to determine effect of social media engagement
- Parallelized code via Hadoop

Hadoop

sparklyr

Director's Summer Program Participant

NSA

Summer 2012

♥ Fort Meade, MD

- Implemented algorithm for quantum computing resource allocation
- Presented results to Director of NSA

C++ presentations

EDUCATION

PhD of Statistics, 2019
MS of Statistics, 2015
BS of Mathematical Sciences, 2014
Carnegie Mellon University

2010 - 2019

Pittsburgh, PA

ACHIEVEMENTS



2020 Commencement SpeakerSelected student speaker at the 2020 Conferral of Degrees.



Selected Presenter for AT&T Labs Graduate Student Symposium One of fourteen PhD students out of 79 applicants selected.



Hackathon Champion

Developed interface for infectious disease visualization at the MIDAS MISSION Public Health Hackathon. Awarded \$3,000 prize.

SKILLS

R (Expert)

- Package creation, debugging & development
- See EpiCompare, InfectionTrees, and spew

R Shiny (Advanced)

Online apps for visualization and communication of statistical results

RMarkdown and LTFX (Advanced)

- Creation of dynamic and transportable text
- Automated report generation for synthetic population summaries

Hadoop, foreach, qsub (Intermediate)

• High performance and distributive computing

C++, Python, julia, MatLab (Proficient)

• Programming experience (≥ 1 major project)

SERVICE

President

Women in Statistics at CMU

2018 - 2019

Pittsburgh, PA

Co-organizer

Women in Data Science @CMU

2018

Pittsburgh, PA