Tyler LaBonte

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Education

GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY Ph.D., Machine Learning

2021–Present

University of Southern California

2017-2021

B.S., Applied and Computational Mathematics, magna cum laude

Skills: Python, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Numpy, Linux CLI, Docker, Git, Vim, MTEX

Selected Publications

- Task Shift: From Classification to Regression in Overparameterized Linear Models
 Tyler LaBonte*, Kuo-Wei Lai*, and Vidya Muthukumar (* denotes equal contribution)
 AISTATS 2025
- The Group Robustness is in the Details: Revisiting Finetuning under Spurious Correlations
 Tyler LaBonte, John C. Hill, Xinchen Zhang, Vidya Muthukumar, and Abhishek Kumar
 NeurIPS 2024
- Towards Last-layer Retraining for Group Robustness with Fewer Annotations
 Tyler LaBonte, Vidya Muthukumar, and Abhishek Kumar
 NeurIPS 2023
- Quantifying the Unknown Impact of Segmentation Uncertainty on Image-Based Simulations
 Michael C. Krygier, Tyler LaBonte, Carianne Martinez, Chance Norris, Krish Sharma, et al.
 Nature Communications, 12(1):5414, 2021

Industry Research Experience

MICROSOFT RESEARCH Redmond, WA
Machine Learning Research Intern 2025

- Investigated reasoning proficiency of multimodal vision-language models.

GOOGLE Sunnyvale, CA Machine Learning Research Intern 2023

- Developed techniques to leverage Gemini LLM to improve architecture-agnostic hardware-software code design.
- Synthesized chain-of-thought and few-shot prompting strategies to generalize to data-scarce applications.

MICROSOFT RESEARCH

Machine Learning Research Intern

Redmond, WA

2021–2022

- Developed Transformer model for weakly supervised object detection with multiple instance learning.
- Integrated pipeline into production system, enabling rapid delivery of new Windows Action Center capability.

Selected Awards

DoD National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowship (\$170,000)

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship (\$138,000—declined)

2021