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## Education

2008-2015 **Ph.D. in Computational Physics**, University of Illinois at Chicago.

Research Area: *Anomaly Detection, Conditional Monitoring, Deep Learning, Signal Processing, Wireless Security, DFT calculations, Multivariate Statistical Modeling, Advanced Mechanics Modeling, and Machine Learning Applications.*

2012-2013 **MS in Statistics**, University of Illinois at Chicago.

Master's Exam: High Pass.

2010-2012 **MS in Applied Mathematics**, University of Illinois at Chicago.

Master's Exam: High Pass.

2008-2011 **MS in Physics**, University of Illinois at Chicago.

Qualifying exam: All Pass.

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## Machine Learning and Data Science Work Experience

05/2018-Present **Lead Data Scientist**, Cars.com, Great Chicago Area.

- Lead a team of engineers and data scientists to conduct dealer retention, churn prediction, and marketing revenue generation on **AWS**. The dealer churn prediction model and dealer retention model generate **\$5,000,000+** revenue annually.
- Lead research and development on machine learning image processing tool (MLIP) (**tensorflow**, **keras**, **opencv**, **skimage**, **scipy**) which enables *image recognition, image quality enhancement, and image scoring*. This tool is featured in cars.com technology medium and is able to process million-level listing images. [0]
- Mentor team members on data analysis and modeling tasks including deploy data science models into **AWS** (**terraform**, **ecs**, **ec2**, **sagemaker**, **codecommit**, **cloudwatch**), data visualization, data-story-telling.
- Manage data science engagements for targeting new automobile dealers. Lead research and design dealer churn models (**xgboost**, **lightgbm**, **scikit-learn**, **numpy**, **pandas**, **gensim**), and deploy them into production using *aws, jenkins, and terraform*.

10/2015-05/2018 **Data Science Lead**, Uptake Technologies, Great Chicago Area.

- Research and develop multivariate statistical modelings (**R data.table**, **xgboost**; **Python pandas**, **scikit-learn**, **scipy**) based on *PCA, local kernel regression, tree-based model and local similarity based modeling*.
- Hold 4 **U.S. machine learning patents/patent applications** regarding unsupervised learning, supervised learning, anomaly detections in multivariate data, and remedy of software anomalies.
- Develop and deploy **machine learning anomaly detection** (MLAD) cloud computing platform, which is monitoring over 1 billion streaming readings per day. This anomaly detection engine is productized and detecting anomalous for **500+ wind turbines** all over the world. [1].
- Perform regular code reviews, write **R**(Rstudio) and **Python**(Jupyter) software packages and manage version control through **git**.
- Design and implement model performance report using **MySQL**, **Elasticsearch**, and **Cassandra**. This has significantly improved the robustness and accuracy of models' performance up to 50%.
- Lead a team of data scientists and software engineers. we are responsible for the development of machine learning technology with special emphasis on diagnostics, prognostics, **unsupervised learning algorithms**. Hold routine customer-facing meetings with subject matter experts regarding model validation and mechanical system prognostics.

06/2015-08/2015 **Data Scientist (Intern)**, Huawei Technologies, Great Chicago Area.

- Conduct wireless network data mining, machine learning (**scikit-learn**, **spark**) and big data security analysis (Python) in order to detect unknown attacks, zero-day attacks, and advanced persistence threat. The analysis includes: 1. data preprocessing (Linear Regression, Principal Component Analysis); 2. user clustering using adapted algorithms (K-Means Clustering); 3. anomaly detection through predictive modeling (One-Class Support Vector Machines).
- Hold 1 **U.S. patent** [2] which illustrates a machine learning methodology to improve the anomaly detection rate. 98% TPR and 7.6% FPR were obtained by applying embodiment anomaly detection techniques to the KDD 99 dataset. The testing results outperform other known anomaly detection techniques.

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## Computer Skills

Programming R, Python, Matlab, Scala.

Data Tools MySQL, Spark.

Others Shiny, Rmarkdown, Spark, Bash Script, Git, Linux, Jupyter, HTML, CSS, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, OpenOffice, GNUplot.

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## Machine Learning Patents and Patent Applications

- 10/2015 **Methodology to Improve Anomaly Detection Rate.**  
*Zhibi Wang and Tuo Li, Huawei Technologies, US Patent 62/236,745.*
- 09/2016 **Detection of Anomalies in Multivariate Data.**  
*Tuo Li et al., Uptake Technologies, US Patent 63/382,639.*
- 10/2017 **Computer System and Method for Detecting Anomalies in Multivariate Data.**  
*Tuo Li and James P Herzog, Uptake Technologies, U.S Patent Application Serial No.:15/788,622.*
- 11/2017 **Systems and Methods for Detecting and Remedying Software Anomalies.**  
*Yuan Tang, Tuo Li, and James P Herzog., Uptake Technologies, U.S Patent 10/635,519.*
- 04/2018 **Computer System and Method for Creating a Supervised Failure Modell.**  
*Tuo Li et al., Uptake Technologies, US Patent 10/635,095.*

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## Data Science and Data Analysis Publications

- 08/2019 **Applications of Machine Learning Image Processing in Digital Marketing.**  
*Tuo Li, <https://tech.cars.com/applications-of-machine-learning-image-processing-in-digital-marketing-982ee296dc8a>*
- 07/2015 **Density Functional Theory Analysis of Hexagonal Close-Packed Elemental Metal Photocathodes.**  
*Tuo Li, B.L. Rickman, and W.A. Schroeder, Physical Review ST Accelerators and Beams 18.073401 (2015): 10.1103.*
- 03/2015 **Emission Properties of Group VIb Elemental Photocathodes.**  
*Tuo Li, B.L. Rickman, and W.A. Schroeder, Journal of Applied Physics 117.13 (2015): 134901.*
- 02/2016 **Photoelectric Emission Properties of Photocathode Materials.**  
*Tuo Li, Ph.D. thesis, University of Illinois at Chicago.*
- 04/2017 **PbTe(111) Sub-Thermionic Photocathode: A Route to High-Quality Electron Pulses.**  
*Tuo Li and W.A. Schroeder, arXiv preprint arXiv:1704.00194 (2017).*
- 05/2017 **Nonparametric Modeling of Face-Centered Cubic Metal Photocathodes.**  
*Tuo Li and W.A. Schroeder, arXiv preprint arXiv:1704.05371 (2017).*
- 11/2012 **Excited-state Thermionic Emission in III-Antimonides: Low Emittance Ultrafast Photocathodes.**  
*J.A.Berger, B.L. Rickman, Tuo Li and W.A. Schroeder, Applied Physics Letters 101.19 (2012): 4103.*
- 11/2007 **Four Wave Mixing with Matter Waves.**  
*Tuo Li, China Modern Education with Honor, 2007.*

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## Data Science Certifications

- 12/2015 Data Science Specialization, Johns Hopkins University.  
License: F3B87LWRAS5J
- 10/2015 The Data Scientist's Toolbox, Johns Hopkins University, Score: 100/100.  
License: WZKDG8MQ9A
- 10/2015 R Programming, Johns Hopkins University, Score: 100/100.  
License: CF4SAV6D77
- 10/2015 Getting and Cleaning Data, Johns Hopkins University, Score: 100/100.  
License: Z725RFB4GZ
- 10/2015 Practical Machine Learning, Johns Hopkins University, Score: 100/100.  
License: 7KQJPR37PY
- 10/2015 Statistical Inference, Johns Hopkins University, Score: 100/100.  
License: ACM6R3ADRQ
- 10/2015 Reproducible Research, Johns Hopkins University, Score: 95/100.  
License: R52KZ8J4MX
- 10/2015 Regression Models, Johns Hopkins University, Score: 94/100.  
License: G5PV6YTXBE
- 10/2015 Developing Data Products, Johns Hopkins University, Score: 97/100.  
License: 8EFBKUGRNS

10/2015 Data Science Capstone, Johns Hopkins University, Score: 100/100.  
License: 8SDEHL93RW

08/2015 Big Data XSeries Certificate, UC Berkeley.  
License: 664ff045d39043b3b8baf843dc5ea82b

08/2015 Introduction to Big Data With Apache Spark, UC Berkeley, Score: 100/100.  
License: 12124e27958740548193e20264acf5ae

07/2015 Scalable Machine Learning, UC Berkeley, Score: 100/100.  
License: ff35da03e2df4d5f9673810c382759bb