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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Bayesian and variational inference, Monte Carlo methods, probability and stochastic processes, analysis and partial differential equations, machine learning

EDUCATION

Columbia University	New York, NY
MS Data Science – GPA 3.97 / 4.0	Sep 2021 – Dec 2022
Courses: Statistical Inference, Algorithms, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Computer Systems	
Teaching Assistant: Analysis and Optimization, Reinforcement Learning, Applied Machine Learning & Deep Learning	
IIT Kanpur	India
MS Mathematics – GPA 9.0 / 10.0	Aug 2019 – May 2021
Courses: Partial Differential Equations, Differential Geometry, Topology, Complex Analysis, Probabilistic Programming	
Honors: Academic Excellence Award 2019, 2020	
University of Delhi	India
BS Mathematics – GPA 9.41 / 10.0, Math GPA 9.61 / 10.0	Aug 2016 – May 2019
Courses: Multivariate Calculus, Probability & Statistics, Differential Equations, Numerical methods, Series of Functions	

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Data Scientist	Jan 2023 – Present
Movement Recovery Lab, Department of Neurology, Columbia University	New York, NY
• Developed hierarchical Bayesian models to estimate neural recruitment curves from sparse data of brain and spinal stimulation, improving efficiency and reducing experiment duration	
• Implemented mixture models to identify and downweight outlier observations for robust inference	
• Developed Bayesian mixed models to detect changes in motor threshold, reducing number of participants required to assess treatment effects in intervention studies	
• Published first-author paper and open-source Python package that received NIH R03 award for extension to real-time adaptive stimulation	

PUBLICATIONS

- Tyagi, V.**, Murray, L. M., Asan, A. S., Mandigo, C., Virk, M. S., Harel, N. Y., Carmel, J. B., McIntosh, J. R. *Hierarchical Bayesian estimation of motor-evoked potential recruitment curves yields accurate and robust estimates*. Brain Stimulation (2025). <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.brs.2025.09.008>
- (Under review) Pascual-Leone, A.* **Tyagi, V.***, Asan, A.S.* , Rocha-Flores, P.E., Rodriguez-Lopez, O., Voit, W.E., McIntosh, J.R.†, Carmel, J.B.† *Electrode position, size, and orientation determine efficacy of cervical epidural stimulation to recruit forelimb muscles in rats*. bioRxiv (2025). <https://doi.org/10.1101/2025.09.05.674051>
- (In preparation) **Tyagi, V.**, Carmel, J.B., McIntosh, J.R. *Bayesian adaptive design for motor-evoked potential recruitment curves*. Expected 2026.

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

Data Science Intern	Summer 2022
Quartet Health	New York, NY
• Fine-tuned large language model BERT on clinical notes to identify high-risk patients for mental health conditions, increasing F2-score by 13% over XGBoost baseline	
• Built data pipeline on Amazon Redshift using dbt and SQL to automate transformation of medical claims data, added unit tests to validate pipeline output	
• Utilized data pipeline to evaluate insurance network quality and identify network gaps, reducing claim denial rates by 7% through outlier detection and saving \$20K in referral costs	

SOFTWARE

Maintainer hbMEP (<https://hbtep.github.io/hbtep/>)

TEACHING

Teaching Assistant, Columbia University

- Applied Deep Learning (CS W4995) Fall 2022
- Applied Machine Learning (CS W4995) Spring 2022
- Analysis and Optimization (MATH V2500) Spring 2022
- Reinforcement Learning (EE E6885) Fall 2021
- Calculus I (MATH UN1101) Fall 2021

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming: Python, R, C/C++, SQL (Postgres)

Machine Learning: NumPy, scikit-learn, JAX, PyTorch, XGBoost, Hugging Face, OpenAI

Bayesian: NumPyro, Pyro, Stan

Big Data: dbt, Spark, BigQuery, Redshift

Developer Tools: Git, Bash, Linux, SSH, Vim, VS Code, Docker, Google Cloud Platform

CONFERENCES

Talk: *Hierarchical Bayesian estimation of motor-evoked potential recruitment curves yields accurate and robust estimates.* Society for Neuroscience (SfN) Nanosymposium on Analytical Computational Tools, October 2024, Chicago, Illinois.

Poster: *Hierarchical Bayesian estimation of motor-evoked potential recruitment curves yields accurate and robust estimates.* 11th Annual Minnesota Neuromodulation Symposium – Neuromodulation of Spinal Cord Injury: Translational Opportunities, April 2024, Minneapolis, Minnesota. 3rd Place Poster Award.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Murray, L.M.* , McIntosh, J.R.* , Goldsmith, J.A., Wu, Y.-K., Liu, M., Sanford, S.P., Joiner, E.F., Mandigo, C., Virk, M.S., **Tyagi, V.**, Carmel, J.B.†, Harel, N.Y.† *Timing-dependent synergies between noninvasive motor cortex and spinal cord stimulation in chronic cervical spinal cord injury.* Clinical Neurophysiology (2025).
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.clinph.2025.2111372>