# **WESLEY HOLT**

## DATA SCIENTIST | MECHANICAL ENGINEER | PH.D. CANDIDATE

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## **SKILLS**

- Deep learning
- Probabilistic inference
- Physics modeling
- Design optimization
- Pharmaceutical science
- Data processing
- Software development

## **EDUCATION**

#### Purdue University, Lafayette, IN

Ph.D. Mechanical Engineering Expected Apr 2025

## Brigham Young University, Provo, UT

B.S. Mechanical Engineering Apr 2021

## **LEADERSHIP**

#### **Vice President**

BYU Wind Energy Club

 Led a team of 20+ engineering students in the Collegiate Wind Competition

## WORK EXPERIENCE

## **Research Assistant**

May 2020 - Present

Purdue Predictive Science Laboratory | Lafayette, IN

- Researching physics-informed machine learning in pharmaceutical science
- Using Bayesian inference to predict behavior of biomaterials and biological flows

BYU Flight, Optimization, and Wind Laboratory | Provo, UT

- Developed a novel method for optimizing wind plants with complex site boundaries; 50% faster than existing methods
- Created open-source software that lab members still use for wind energy research

## **Computational Engineering Intern**

June 2021 - Aug 2021

National Renewable Energy Laboratory | Remote

- Characterized the uncertainty in a computational model for solar plants; allowed the industry partner to determine feasibility of a new maintenance procedure
- Developed software that automated uncertainty analysis as new data became available

## **Mechanical Engineering Intern**

June 2020 - Aug 2020

Autoliv | Ogden, UT

- Designed an experiment that modeled part of the airbag manufacturing process; the new procedure allowed samples to be prepared 10x faster than before, with higher reliability
- Discovered the source for a particular manufacturing flaw; presented to management, which led to further investigation by the quality engineering team

## **Statistics Teaching Assistant**

Sep 2018 - Aug 2020

BYU Statistics Department | Provo, UT

- Taught statistics concepts to 200+ students
- Provided one-on-one tutoring, often increasing individual test scores by 20%