# Yeonji Baek

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#### **EDUCATION**

**Carnegie Mellon University** 

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

BS in Statistics & Machine Learning; Minor in Business Analytics & Optimization, Human-Computer Interaction

May 2026

Cumulative GPA: 3.52; High Honors Dean's List Fall 2022

Relevant Coursework: Fundamentals of Programming & Computer Science, Principles of Imperative Computation, Probability & Statistical Inference, Statistical Graphics & Visualization, Introduction to Machine Learning, Data Management Fundamentals

#### **EXPERIENCE**

**Research Assistant** 

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

August 2023 - May 2024

Concepts, Actions, and Object Lab (CAOs)

- Developed a program in Python utilizing OS, NumPy, and OpenCV to extract thousands of frames from videos for a dataset Implemented machine learning experiments using Fastai2 library and neural network models in Google Colab using the extracted
- frames and the altered version of the frames to analyze the accuracy of the models
- Designed experiments using PsychoPy to test intuitive physics in participants using the same frames tested with the models
- Facilitated one hour long experiments on various participants to collect data and compared the results between humans and models

# Data Analyst & Tutor

Fullerton, California

Algebra Tutoring Center at Sunny Hills High School August 2021 - May 2022 • Evaluated 100+ students for tailored tutoring sessions in Algebra 1 to AP Calc BC, fostering individualized learning support

- Collaborated with math teachers to incentivize students for participation in order to promote club and academic success
- Managed tutoring session data in order to optimize support for specific subjects by employing more tutors during certain times

**Tutoring Director** Fullerton, California

YouthfulCode Club | https://youthfulcode.weebly.com/

September 2020 - December 2021

- Developed Python, Scratch, and JavaScript lesson plans for 100+ elementary students for seasonal camps
- Outreached for sponsorships to school education department for prize of \$50+ to host events like Hackathons for 40+ students
- Empowered kids nationwide from California to New York by igniting their passion for CS and AI, regardless of age or gender

#### **PROJECTS**

# "Traffic Stops in Hartford, Connecticut" Project

November 2023 – December 2023

Statistical Graphics & Visualization Group Project | https://tinyurl.com/39tsmvfc | R

- Conducted in-depth analysis on a dataset of 18k+ traffic stops from Hartford Police Department using R (tidyverse, ggplot, sf)
- Collaborated with a team, updating progress and responsibilities, with a personal focus on geographic distribution of traffic stops
- Generated interactive graphs, identifying a potential trend that residents in the Downtown district had a higher frequency of arrests

### "Comparing Different Classifiers for Titanic Survival Prediction" Project

March 2023 – April 2023

Methods of Statistics & Data Science Individual Project | R

- Utilized classification models (LDA, QDA, classification tree, binary logistic regression) with separate training and testing dataset
- Evaluated univariate/bivariate Exploratory Data Analysis using R and calculated error rates to identify the most suitable model
- Analyzed classifiers to determine their effectiveness in predicting outcomes for passengers who survived and those who did not

#### **Bee Project**

November 2022 – December 2022

Fundamentals of Programming and Computer Science Individual Project | https://tinyurl.com/2s3n5kd6 | Python

- Designed a Python game challenging users to bloom as many flowers as possible within a 30-second timeframe
- Implemented a leaderboard feature, storing scores in a data file to create a competitive and exciting gaming environment
- Utilized object-oriented programming to create automatic bees by providing in-game assistance for users acclimating to the game

#### **CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT**

# **Orientation Leader**

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

February 2024 – Present

- Carnegie Mellon University First-Year Orientation
- Guided 1000+ first-years through their transition into university life with activities such as navigating public transportation
- Facilitated daily meetings for 30 first-years to establish dorm etiquette expectations, fostering a respectful community atmosphere
- Hosted information sessions for students in academic success and importance of utilization of campus resources as a role model

# Financial Chair

Asian Student Association

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania October 2023 - Present

· Generated fundraiser ideas for upcoming CMU Giving Day such as ASA family challenges in order to maximize the donations

- Coordinated successful fundraiser by fostering collaborations with ASA assassin participants, resulting in increased sales
- Managed sales efforts for the club's fundraisers by actively marketing on social media, producing \$6000+ within a day

# **SKILLS**

Programming Languages: Python (NumPy, Pandas, Scikit-Learn), R, SQL, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Java, C++, LaTeX Applications: Tableau, MongoDB, Microsoft Excel, Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop, InDesign, Lightroom), PsychoPy Languages: English (Advanced), Korean (Advanced)

# **ACTIVITIES/INTEREST**

Organizations: Quantitative Social Science Scholar, Data Science Club, Students Using Data for Social-Good, Kappa Kappa Gamma