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## SKILLS

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- Programming Languages: SQL, Python, R, MATLAB, SAS, Javascript
- Tools: PostgreSQL, MySQL, Docker, Jupyter Notebook, Rstudio, Google Cloud Platform, MATLAB, SAS

## EDUCATION

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**Carnegie Mellon University** Aug 2021 - May 2022  
Master of Statistical Practice | Department of Statistics and Data Science  
Pittsburgh, PA, US  
**GPA:** 4.0/4.0 | **Spring 2022 Courses:** Cloud Computing, Statistical Consulting Capstone

**Central China Normal University** Sep 2017 - Jul 2021  
Bachelor of Statistics | School of Mathematics and Statistics  
Wuhan, China  
**GPA:** 87.69/100 ( Rank 4/24 )

## APPLIED STATISTICAL EXPERIENCE

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**University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) Roland Henry Lab** San Francisco, CA, US  
Undergraduate Researcher in Data Science and Neuroscience (UC Berkeley URAP)  
August 2020 - March 2021

- Conducted time series segmentation using Peak Detection Algorithm
- Built activity recognition models to cluster segmented time series into different intensity levels using Dynamic Time Wrapping and k-means clustering
- Developed scalable tools using Javascript for efficient annotations of activity graphs
- Designed R Shiny Web Apps to realize interactive visualization of data and analysis results

March 2020 - July 2020

- Upgraded missing Fitbit data imputation after testing methods including interpolation, moving average, State Space Model, and Kalman Filter using Nested Cross-Validation
- Achieved time series data aggregation by hours, days, and weeks from original minute-by-minute data
- Modeled Fitbit-collected time series data of 120 Multiple Sclerosis patients' step counts over the past three years to develop remotely predictive health tests
- Accelerated research process by automating real-time analysis reports (prediction data, output model parameters, and associated graphs) generating process

**Compare Machine Learning Classification Models' Performance on Imbalanced Genetic Data** Pittsburgh, PA, US  
October 2021 - December 2021

- Conducted classification performance comparison of XGBoost, Random Forest, and iterative Random Forest on both the original imbalanced data and the sampled data using criteria including ROC Curve, AUC and Precision

**IMDB Recommendation Engine** Wuhan, China  
October 2020 - December 2020

- Designed a recommendation engine in Python and R to predict Users' ratings for different genres of movies by implementing the concept of User-Based Collaborative Filtering using Pearson Correlation
- Built an interactive R Shiny App for visualization of the recommendation results

**Machine Learning Methods to Discover Interactions between Transcription Factors** Berkeley, CA, US  
February 2020 - June 2020

- Extracted meanings from large complex genetic data and discovered pairwise and higher-order interactions between TFs of a model organism using methods including Random Forest and iterative Random Forest.

**Mediocre Social Network Apps Inc. - Stock: Analysis and Forecast** Berkeley, CA, US  
March 2020 - May 2020

- Achieved top 2% performance on stock price forecasting of Mediocre Social Network Apps Inc. across various time horizons using SARIMA models and Regression-ARIMA hybrid models

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**Carnegie Mellon University-Department of Statistics and Data Science** Sep 2021 - Present  
Teaching Assistant for Course: Methods for Statistics and Data Science  
Pittsburgh, PA, US

- Leading labs, holding office hours, grading exams and homework