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Visual Analytics Expert

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Professional Appointments

- 07/20 – Present **Senior Expert, Data Science and Advanced Visual Analytics, Novartis Pharmaceutical Corporation**, Cambridge, MA, Data and Artificial Intelligence.
- Product owner for commercial project with 4 million USD annual budget
 - Data scientist and visual analytics designer for safety + commercial projects
- 01/20 – 04/20 **Part-time Lecturer, Northeastern University**, Boston, MA, Khoury College of Computer Sciences.
- 05/18 – 08/18 **Research Intern, MIT IBM Watson AI Lab**, Cambridge, MA, Visual AI Group.
- 06/16 – 08/16 **Research Intern, Palo Alto Research Center**, Palo Alto, CA, System Sciences Lab.
- 06/15 – 08/15 **Research Intern, MIT Lincoln Laboratory**, Lexington, MA, Cyberanalytics and Decisions Systems.
- 09/10 – 08/14 **Development Manager, Annkissam**, Cambridge, MA.

Academic Degrees

- June 2020 **PhD in Computer Science, Tufts University**, Medford, MA.
Thesis: “Bridging the Human-Machine Gap in Applied Machine Learning with Visual Analytics”
Advisor: Remco Chang
- May 2016 **MSc in Computer Science, Tufts University**, Medford, MA.
Project: “Big Data, Bigger Audience: A Method for Adapting Statistical Methods for a Wider Audience of Users”
Advisor: Remco Chang
- May 2010 **ScB in Mathematics, Brown University**, Providence, RI.

Publications

Journal Publications

- [1] Mateus Espadoto, Gabriel Appleby, Ashley Suh, **Dylan Cashman**, Mingwei Li, Carlos Scheidegger, Erik W Anderson, Remco Chang, and Alexandru C Telea. Unprojection: Leveraging inverse-projections for visual analytics of high-dimensional data. *IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics*, 2021. Accepted October 2021.
- [2] **Dylan Cashman**, Shenyu Xu, Subhajit Das, Florian Heimerl, Cong Liu, Shah Rukh Humayoun, Michael Gleicher, Alex Endert, and Remco Chang. Cava: A visual analytics system for exploratory columnar data augmentation using knowledge graphs. *IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics*, 27(2):1731–1741, 2020.
- [3] **Dylan Cashman**, Adam Perer, Remco Chang, and Hendrik Strobelt. Ablate, variate, and contemplate: Visual analytics for discovering neural architectures. *IEEE transactions on visualization and computer graphics*, 26(1):863–873, 2019.
- [4] **Dylan Cashman**, Shah Rukh Humayoun, Florian Heimerl, Kendall Park, Subhajit Das, John Thompson, Bahador Saket, Abigail Mosca, John Stasko, Alex Endert, Michael Gleicher, and Remco Chang. A user-based visual analytics workflow for exploratory model analysis. In *Computer Graphics Forum*, volume 38, pages 185–199. Wiley Online Library, 2019.
- [5] Subhajit Das, **Dylan Cashman**, Remco Chang, and Alex Endert. Beames: Interactive multimodel

steering, selection, and inspection for regression tasks. *IEEE computer graphics and applications*, 39(5):20–32, 2019.

- [6] **Dylan Cashman**, Genvieve Patterson, Abigail Mosca, Nathan Watts, Shannon Robinson, and Remco Chang. RNNbow: Visualizing learning via backpropagation gradients in RNNs. *IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications*, 38(6):39–50, Nov 2018.

Refereed Conference / Symposium Publications

- [7] Ashley Suh, Ab Mosca, Shannon Robinson, Quinn Pham, **Dylan Cashman**, Alvitta Ottley, and Remco Chang. Inferential tasks as an evaluation technique for visualization. *EuroVis Short Papers*, 2022.
- [8] Zhe Wang, **Dylan Cashman**, Mingwei Li, Jixian Li, Matthew Berger, Joshua Levine, Remco Chang, and Carlos Scheidegger. Neuralcubes: Deep representations for visual data exploration. In *IEEE BigData*, 2021.
- [9] Subhajit Das, **Dylan Cashman**, Remco Chang, and Alex Endert. Gaggle: Visual analytics for model space navigation. In *Graphics Interface*, 2020.
- [10] Abigail Mosca, Shannon Robinson, Meredith Clarke, Rebecca Redelmeier, Sebastian Coates, **Dylan Cashman**, and Remco Chang. Towards data science for the masses: A study of data scientists and their interactions with clients. In *EG/VGTC Conference on Visualization*, 2019.
- [11] Bob Price, Lottie Price, **Cashman, Dylan**, and Marzieh Nabi. Efficient bayesian detection of disease onset in truncated medical data. In *Healthcare Informatics (ICHI), 2017 IEEE International Conference on*, pages 208–213. IEEE, 2017.

Other Refereed Conference / Symposium / Workshop Publications

- [12] Ashley Suh, Gabriel Appleby, Erik W Anderson, Luca Finelli, and **Dylan Cashman**. Communicating performance of regression models using visualization in pharmacovigilance. In *Workshop on Visual Analytics in Healthcare at IEEE VIS*, 2021.
- [13] **Dylan Cashman**, Yifan Wu, Remco Chang, and Alvitta Ottley. Inferential tasks as a data-rich evaluation method for visualization. In *Evaluation of Interactive Visual Machine Learning Systems at IEEE VIS*, 2019.
- [14] **Dylan Cashman**, Adam Perer, and Hendrik Strobelt. MAST: A tool for visualizing CNN model architecture searches. In *Debugging ML Workshop at ICLR*, 2019.

Posters / Abstracts / Theses

- [15] Bo Kang, **Dylan Cashman**, Remco Chang, Jeffrey Lijffijt, and Tijn De Bie. CLIPPR: Maximally informative CLIPped PROjections with bounding regions. In *IEEE Conference on Visual Analytics Science and Technology Posters*, 2018.
- [16] **Cashman, Dylan**, Stephen Kelley, Diane Staheli, Cody Fulcher, Marianne Procopio, and Remco Chang. Big data, bigger audience: A meta-algorithm for making machine learning actionable for analysts. In *IEEE Symposium on Visualization for Cyber Security Posters*, 2016.

Awards and Honors

- 2022 ● Best Paper Award: EuroVis Short Papers Track
- 2018 ● Best Paper Award: Symposium on Visualization in Data Science at IEEE VIS
- 3rd Place in 15 minute research talks at Tufts Graduate Research Symposium
- 2017 ● Best Paper Award: Workshop on Visual Analytics for Deep Learning at IEEE VIS
- 2016-2018 ● Provost’s Fellowship, Tufts University

Conference Activities

- Organization ● Web Chair: IEEE VIS 2021-2022
- 2021 co-chairs: Steve Petruzza, Alper Sarikaya, Jagoda Walny Nix
- 2022 co-chairs: Steve Petruzza, Rebecca Kehlbeck, Janos Zimmerman
- Session Chair ● Symposium on Visualization for Data Science (VDS) 2019. Sessions: Application II, Encodings

- Program Committee
- IEEE VIS Full Papers (VIS), 2022
 - IEEE Pacific VIS VisMeetsAI Workshop, 2022
 - IEEE VIS Short Papers (VIS), 2020-2021
 - IEEE VIS Symposium on Visualization for Data Science (VDS), 2019-2020
 - IEEE VIS Workshop on Visualization for AI Explainability (VISxAI), 2019-2020

Reviewing Activities

- Journal
- IEEE Transactions on Computer Graphics and Visualization (TVCG), 2020-2022
 - ACM Transactions on Interactive Intelligent Systems (TiiS), 2020-2021
 - IEEE Transactions on Big Data (TBD), 2017-2018, 2022
 - Computer Graphics Forum (CGF), 2020
 - Distill.pub, 2018
- Conference
- IEEE Conference on Visualization (VIS), 2018-2022
 - ACM Computer Human Interaction (CHI), 2018, 2020-2022
 - Eurographics Conference on Data Visualization (Eurovis), 2020
 - IEEE Pacific Visualization, 2018
 - ACM Computer Human Interaction (CHI) Late-breaking Work, 2015
- Workshop
- IEEE Pacific VIS VisMeetsAI, 2022
 - Visualization for AI Explainability (VISxAI), 2018-2020
 - Symposium on Visualization Data Science (VDS), 2019-2020

Invited Talks

- February, 2021 Washington University in St. Louis (St. Louis, MO).
Graduate-level Visual Analytics Guest Lecture: Machine Learning for Visualization
- January 28, 2021 Pacific Northwest National Labs (Richland, WA).
Bridging the Human-Machine Gap in Applied AI with Visual Analytics
- December, 2020 Novartis Institute for Biological Research (Cambridge MA). Advanced Visual Analytics Forum
Value of Visual Analytics for Insights, Strategy, and Design
- September 27, 2019 Mathworks (Natick, MA). Deep Learning Tea
Model Selection for Data Scientists
- October 1, 2018 IEEE Visualization Conference (Berlin, Germany). Doctoral Colloquium
Visual Analytics for Model Selection
- March 2, 2018 Tufts University (Medford, MA). Tufts Graduate Research Symposium
RNNbow: Visualizing Learning via Backpropagation Gradients in Recurrent Neural Networks
- June 13, 2017 Tufts University (Medford, MA). Tufts REU Lecture Series
Color Spaces and Color Places
- February 24, 2017 Tufts University (Medford, MA). Tufts Graduate Research Symposium
Chasing Waldo: Implicit Recovery of User Behavior and Intent from User Interaction Logs

Mentoring

- 2021 **Ashley Suh** (PhD Intern at Novartis)
Regression Model Communication Research
Work presented at Visual Analytics in Healthcare workshop at IEEE VIS 2021
- 2019-20 **Charlie Caron** (Master's Student at Tufts)
Model Selection Research

- 2018 **Nathan Watts** (Undergraduate at Tufts)
Deep Learning Research. After graduation: Machine Learning Software Systems Engineer at MITRE
- 2017 **Alan Luo** (Choate Rosemary Hall High School)
VALT Summer Research

Teaching

- Spring 2020 • Lecturer. Information Presentation & Visualization, DS 4200, Northeastern University (60 students)
- Fall 2019 • Co-lecturer. Visual Analytics, COMP 150-04, Tufts University (35 students)
- Spring, Fall 2016 • Head Teaching Assistant. COMP 40: Machine Structure and Assembly Language Programming. Tufts University.
- Fall 2015 • Graduate Teaching Assistant. COMP 61: Discrete Math. Tufts University.
- Fall 2010 • Teaching Assistant. MATH 0200: Multivariate Calculus, Brown University
- Fall 2008 • Teaching Assistant. MATH 0190: Calculus II, Brown University
- Fall 2007 • Teaching Assistant. MATH 0190: Calculus II, Brown University

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