

David M. Darmon

Curriculum Vitae

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Research Interests

Statistical inference for complex systems, information theoretic analysis of complex systems, information dynamics in biological and neural systems, machine learning, data science, network science.

Education

- 2013–2015 **Ph.D.**, *University of Maryland*, College Park.
Applied Mathematics, Statistics, and Scientific Computation (AMSC)
Advisors: Michelle Girvan (Physics) and William Rand (Marketing)
- 2010–2013 **M.S.**, *University of Maryland*, College Park.
Applied Mathematics, Statistics, and Scientific Computation
- 2006–2010 **B.S.**, *Ursinus College*, Collegeville.
Major: Mathematics, Minors: Chemistry and Physics

Research Experience

- Summer 2015 **Research Scientist**, UNIFORMED SERVICES UNIVERSITY, Bethesda.
– Participating in a research program advancing analytical tools for the determination of physiological prodromes of psychological disorders with a focus on traumatic brain injury.
- Present
– Developing statistically principled information theoretic methods for extracting relevant features from electrocardiogram (ECG), electroencephalogram (EEG), and magnetoencephalogram (MEG) data sets, with an emphasis on their application to temporal networks.
- Fall 2012 **Research Assistant**, UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, College Park.
– Interacted with research teams within the Physics department and the Center for Complexity in Business in the Robert H. Smith School of Business. Pursued research related to modeling individual and collective behavior of humans in digital environments. Lead large-scale data collection efforts to provide empirical support during the model building process.
- Summer 2015
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- Summer 2012 **Intern**, UNIFORMED SERVICES UNIVERSITY, Bethesda.
Designed a methodology for discrimination between mentally healthy and unhealthy service men and women based on psychophysiological, neurological, and demographic assessments of the individuals. This system used a random forest classifier to incorporate categorical and numerical covariates, and allowed for straightforward answers to scientific questions. The classifier will be incorporated into a diagnostic system currently under development.
- Summer 2011 **Intern**, UNIFORMED SERVICES UNIVERSITY, Bethesda.
Constructed statistical tools for analyzing reaction time data from returning service men and women. The goal of the summers project was to identify chronometric 'invariants' across psychologically healthy individuals that changed in individuals suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder or traumatic brain injury.

Summer 2010 **Intern**, OAK RIDGE NATIONAL LABORATORY, Oak Ridge.
Developed a methodology for detecting anomalous behavior across the network perimeter of Oak Ridge National Laboratory. The method incorporated a Latent Dirichlet Allocation model to capture typical behavior of a given IP address, and found that a small number of behaviors capture most of the profiles present in the data.

Teaching Experience

- July 2017 **Workshop Organizer**, SANTA FE INSTITUTE.
Developed, organized, and facilitated the hands-on activities for the Santa Fe Institute's Short Course on Networks and Big Data held in New York City in July 2017. Topics included network analysis from the ground up, agent-based modeling, and visualization of complex networks.
- Fall 2010 **Teaching Assistant**, UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, College Park.
– Lead recitation sections in differential equations, multivariable calculus, intermediate statistics, and linear algebra.
- Fall 2012

Summer Schools

Summer 2013 **2013 Complex Systems Summer School**, *Santa Fe*.
Lead a project group consisting of eight researchers from a diverse set of backgrounds in an investigation of the quantification of synchrony in dynamics occurring on networks. This work culminated in "Detecting Communities Using Information Flow in Social Networks" in the 2013 Complex Systems Summer School Proceedings and "Followers Are Not Enough: A Multifaceted Approach to Community Detection in Online Social Networks" in PLOS ONE.

Publications

1. Chao Wang, Michelle Costanzo, Paul E. Rapp, DMD, Dominic E. Nathan, Kylee Bashirelahi, Dzung L. Pham, Michael J. Roy, and David O. Keyser. "Disrupted gamma synchrony after mild traumatic brain injury and its correlation with white matter abnormality." *Frontiers in Neurology*, (2017).
2. DMD and Paul Rapp. "Specific transfer entropy and other state-dependent transfer entropies for continuous-state input-output systems." *Physical Review E* 96(2) (2017).
3. Chao Wang, Michelle Costanzo, Paul Rapp, DMD, Kylee Bashirelahi, Dominic Nathan, Christopher Cellucci, Michael Roy, and David Keyser. "Identifying Electrophysiological Prodromes of Post-traumatic Stress Disorder: Results from a Pilot Study." *Frontiers in Psychiatry* 8 (2017).
4. DMD. "Specific Differential Entropy Rate Estimation for Continuous-Valued Time Series." *Entropy* 18(5) (2016).
5. DMD, Elisa Omodei, and Joshua Garland. "Followers Are Not Enough: A Multifaceted Approach to Community Detection in Online Social Networks." *PloS one* 10(8) (2015).
6. DMD and Michelle Girvan. "Complexity-Regularized Regression for Serially-Correlated Residuals with Applications to Stock Market Data." *Entropy* 17(1) (2015): 1-27.

7. DMD, Jared Sylvester, Michelle Girvan and William Rand, "Understanding the Predictive Power of Computational Mechanics and Echo State Networks in Social Media." *ASE Human Journal* (2013): vol. 2(2), 13 – 14.
8. Paul Rapp, Christopher Cellucci, David Keyser, Adele Gilpin, and DMD, "Statistical Issues in TBI Clinical Studies." *Frontiers in Neurology* (2013): vol. 4.

Book Chapters

1. Jimpei Harada, DMD, Michelle Girvan, and William Rand. "Prediction of Elevated Activity in Online Social Media Using Aggregated and Individualized Models." *Trends in Social Network Analysis*. Springer International Publishing, 2017. 169-187.

Conference Proceedings

1. Jimpei Harada, DMD, Michelle Girvan, and William Rand "Forecasting High Tide: Predicting Times of Elevated Activity in Online Social Media." Proceedings of the 2015 IEEE/ACM International Conference on Advances in Social Networks Analysis and Mining (2015).
2. DMD, Jared Sylvester, Michelle Girvan, and William Rand, "Predictability of User Behavior in Social Media: Bottom-up vs. Top-down Modeling." *Proceedings of ASE/IEEE International Conference on Social Computing* (2013): 102–107.
3. Paul E. Rapp, DMD, and Christopher J. Cellucci, "Hierarchical Transition Chronometries in the Human central nervous system." *Proceedings of the International Conference on Nonlinear Theory and Applications* (2013).
4. Erik Ferragut, DMD, Craig Shue and Stephen Kelley, "Automatic Construction of Anomaly Detectors from Graphical Models." *2011 IEEE Symposium on Computational Intelligence in Cyber Security* (2011): 9 – 16.

Conference Presentations

1. DMD, Christopher Cellucci, and Paul Rapp. "Specific Transfer Entropy and Its Estimation from Empirical Data." *Dynamics Days 2017* (2017).
2. William Rand, DMD, and Michelle Girvan. "Social Signal Processing: Building Computational Models of Human Behavior in Digital Environments." *Joint Statistical Meeting* (2016).
3. DMD, Erin Uhlfelder, William Rand, and Michelle Girvan, "Finding Predictively Optimal Communities in Dynamic Social Networks." *6th Annual Complexity in Business Conference* (2014).
4. DMD, Elisa Omodei, and Joshua Garland, "Question-Oriented Community Detection in Online Social Networks." *YRNCS Satellite, European Conference on Complex Systems* (2014).
5. William Rand, DMD, Jared Sylvester, and Michelle Girvan, "Will My Followers Tweet? Predicting Twitter Engagement Using Machine Learning." *European Marketing Academy Conference* (2014).

6. Elisa Omodei, DMD, Cesar Flores, Luis Seoane, Kevin Stadler, Jody Wright, Joshua Garland, and Nix Barnett, "Detecting Communities Using Information Flow in Social Networks." *YRNCS Satellite, European Conference on Complex Systems* (2013).