

# KATHERINE MAYO

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) RESEARCHER

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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I apply methods from artificial intelligence to gain insights into complex interactions in financial networks.

[AI]: computational economics, multi-agent systems, empirical game theory, applications of machine learning

[Finance]: real-time payments, fraud, systemic risk

## EDUCATION

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### University of Michigan Ann Arbor

PH.D IN COMPUTER SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

*Ann Arbor, MI*

*Sept 2019 – May 2024*

- Advised by Michael P. Wellman
- Committee Members: Peter Adriaens, Atul Prakash, Jeffery Zhang
- Dissertation: A Strategic Agent-Based Analysis of Economic and Technological Changes in Financial Networks

### University of Michigan Ann Arbor

M.S. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

*Ann Arbor, MI*

*Sept 2019 – April 2021*

- Relevant Coursework: Electronic Commerce; Advanced Data Mining; International Finance; Reinforcement Learning Theory; Advanced Artificial Intelligence

### University of Massachusetts Amherst

B.S. COMPUTER SCIENCE, B.A. ECONOMICS, MINOR IN CHINESE

*Amherst, MA*

*Sept 2015 – Feb 2019*

- *cum laude*
- Graduate level coursework: Neural Networks: A Modern Introduction
- Honors Thesis: Predicting Unemployment Rates Using Google Trends Data (advised by Brendan O'Connor and Arindrajit Dube)

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### University of Michigan, Computer Science & Engineering Department

GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH ASSISTANT – STRATEGIC REASONING GROUP

*Ann Arbor, MI*

*Sept 2019 – Present*

- Reason about strategic decision making in agent-based models of financial networks using empirical game-theoretic analysis (EGTA)
- Analyze the effects of strategic decisions on network participants
- Developed the Strategic Feature Gains Assessment

### Michigan Medicine, Department of Radiation Oncology

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

*Ann Arbor, MI/Remote*

*Feb 2019 – Aug 2019*

- Analyzed more than 15 factors in a data set of adult cancer patients as possible predictors of emergency room (ER) visits using InterpretML
- Applied machine learning models (random forest, logistic regression, support vector machines, and naive Bayes) to predict ER visits

## **Systems & Technology Research**

INTELLIGENCE TOOLS AND ANALYTICS INTERN

Woburn, MA  
Jun 2018 – Aug 2018

- Identified users of interest (UOI) based on analysis of social media usage patterns
- Applied Hidden Markov Models to social media data of UOI to predict La Liga soccer matches

## **University of Massachusetts, Department of Economics**

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Amherst, MA  
Oct 2016 – Dec 2017

- Gathered and cleaned meta-data for Computer Science papers submitted to arXiv.org from 2005 to 2014
- Matched arXiv papers with accepted papers to major CS conferences to form a data set for research purposes

## **Michigan Medicine, Department of Radiation Oncology**

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Ann Arbor, MI  
May 2017 – Aug 2017

- Integrated a non-linear optimizer (IPOPT) with the current system operating in Variance Eclipse for optimizing cancer treatment plans

## **Michigan Medicine, Department of Radiation Oncology**

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Ann Arbor, MI  
May 2016 – Aug 2016

- Migrated cancer patient data to an SQL database
- Created dose-volume histograms from patient data to support research on radiation cancer treatment

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### **University of Michigan, Computer Science & Engineering Department**

PRIMARY INSTRUCTOR – EECS 110: DISCOVER COMPUTER SCIENCE

Ann Arbor, MI  
Aug 2022 – Dec 2022

- Prepared and delivered weekly lessons and labs (1 hour each) to 62 undergraduate students
- Conducted administrative duties such as grading, holding office hours, scheduling guest presentations, and overseeing a teaching assistant

## **HONORS & AWARDS**

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2023 **Rackham Conference Travel Grant for AAI 2023**, Rackham Graduate School, University of Michigan Ann Arbor

2019 **Commonwealth Honors College with Great Distinction and Multidisciplinary Honors**, University of Massachusetts Amherst

2016 **Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society Inductee**, University of Massachusetts Amherst

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & VOLUNTEERING**

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- 2024 Prospective PhD Student Visit Day volunteer
- 2023 Student Application Support Program volunteer
- 2022 Mentor for EECS 110 Discover CS
- 2022 CS Kickstart presenter
- 2019 AI Symposium volunteer

## **MENTORING & ADVISING**

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- 2023 – 2024 Nicholas Grabill (*undergraduate*)
- 2020 – 2022 Shaily Fozdar (*undergraduate*)

## INVITED TALKS

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1. “Flagging Payments for Fraud Detection: A Strategic Agent-Based Model”.  
*Young Scholars Conference on Machine Learning in Economics and Finance at the Philadelphia Federal Reserve, December 2023*

## WORKING PAPERS

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1. **Katherine Mayo**, Nicholas Grabill, and Michael P. Wellman. “**Fraud Risk Mitigation in Real-Time Payments: A Strategic Agent-Based Analysis**”. *Under review.*
2. Michael P. Wellman and **Katherine Mayo**. “**Navigating in a Space of Game Views**”. *Under review.*

## CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS

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1. **Katherine Mayo** and Michael P. Wellman. “**A Strategic Analysis of Portfolio Compression**”. In *ICAIF '21: 2nd ACM International Conference on AI in Finance, November 2021.*
2. **Katherine Mayo**, Shaily Fozdar, and Michael P. Wellman. “**An Agent-Based Model of Strategic Adoption of Real-Time Payments**”. In *ICAIF '21: 2nd ACM International Conference on AI in Finance, November 2021.*

## JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

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1. Michelle Mierzwa, Charles Mayo, Pratyusha Yalamanchi, Joseph Evans, Francis Worden, Richard Medlin, Matt Schipper, Caitlin Schonewolf, Jennifer Shah, Matthew Spector, Paul Swiecicki, **Katherine Mayo**, Keith Casper. “**Machine Learning Model of Emergency Department Use for Patients Undergoing Treatment for Head and Neck Cancer Using Comprehensive Multifactor Electronic Health Records**”. In *JCO Clinical Cancer Informatics, January 2023.*

## WORKSHOP

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1. **Katherine Mayo**, Shaily Fozdar, and Michael P. Wellman. “**Flagging Payments for Fraud Detection: A Strategic Agent-Based Model**”.  
*AAAI Workshop on Modeling Uncertainty in the Financial World (MUFin), February 2023*