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## Technical Skills

*Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design and Analysis, Survey Research, Longitudinal Studies*

*Synthesizing and Explaining Complex Data to Expert and Lay Audiences*

*Project Management, Small Team Management, Managing Multiple Projects Simultaneously*

*Statistical Models*, including: linear, logistic, ordinal logistic, Poisson, multilevel and instrumental variable regression, ANOVA, mixed models, principal components analysis, genetic programming

*Programming* in R, PHP, C++, SQL (Hadoop Hive, MySQL and Oracle variants)

*Knowledge of statistical platforms* in R, SAS, SPSS, JMP, Excel

*Geographical Information Systems*, ArcGIS

## Education

Ph.D. Behavioral Decision Research, Carnegie Mellon University, April 2011  
Dissertation title: *The Effect of Money on Perception and Behavior*

M.S. Behavioral Decision Research, Psychology, Carnegie Mellon University, May 2007.  
Master's thesis title: *The Influence of Negative Incidental Emotions on Risk Taking Behavior*

B.S. Philosophy, Computer Science, University of Michigan, 2002

## Work Experience

Data Analyst Facebook Inc., November 2010-Present  
*In the department of Risk Management, built framework for optimizing costs and conducted statistical analyses to understand and combat fraud, also worked on measuring and understanding user experience; taught research methods and statistics, also managed another analyst and an intern*

Chief Science Officer Farsite Group, Summer 2007-Present  
*Primary statistical analyst, built sales forecasting models and gravity models for clients including Speedway SuperAmerica and Dick's Sporting Goods; designed a decision-making platform for retail real estate*

Statistical Consultant nTAG Incorporated, 2006-2008  
*Analyzed data from individuals' interactions at conferencing gathered using electronic name badges.; conducted field experiment and longitudinal followup study on how networking impacts one's social network over time*

Software Engineer nTAG Incorporated, 2004-2005  
*On-site engineer and software developer for interactive electronic name badges*

Research Programmer Department of Human Genetics, University of Michigan, 2003-2004  
*Implemented parallel software utilizing C++/MPI to find multiple SNP associations with disease risk factors*

## **Additional Positions Held**

Research Fellow, Harvard Kennedy School of Government, Fall 2007-Spring 2009.  
Teaching Assistant, Harvard Kennedy School of Government, Masters Course in Public Policy, Fall 2008  
Teaching Assistant, Carnegie Mellon University, Parallel Distributed Processing, Spring 2006  
Teaching Assistant, Carnegie Mellon University, Policy Analysis I, Fall 2006  
Teaching Assistant, Carnegie Mellon University, Decision Analysis and Decision Support Systems, Spring 2005  
Teaching Assistant, Carnegie Mellon University, Policy Analysis I, Fall 2005

## **Publications**

Litvak, P. M., Tiedens, L. Z., & Lerner J. S., (2010). *The effects of anger on judgment and decision making*. Invited chapter to appear in M. Potegal, Stemmler, G., & Spielberger, C. D. (Ed.), *Handbook of Anger Research*. New York: Springer.

Litvak, P.M. & Lerner, J. S. (2009). Cognitive bias. *The Oxford Companion to the Affective Sciences* (D. Sander and K. Scherer, Eds.). Oxford University Press.

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### *Additional Training*

Trained in the acquisition and analysis of physiological measures of autonomic arousal, e.g. impedance cardiography and galvanic skin conductance

*References Available Upon Request*