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What are you working on at PNNL?

My primary research interests are in topological data analysis and machine learning. Specifically, I focus on topological methods of time series analysis and machine learning. At PNNL, I'm working on applying some of these methods to non-traditional sources of time series data like text data.

Why did you choose PNNL?

I chose PNNL because there is a lot of work at the laboratory that overlaps with my research interests. And I've been really lucky to be able to work on projects at the laboratory that also relate to my dissertation research.

What are you most excited to learn at PNNL?

I'm really excited to see what it's like to work at a national laboratory and learn more about all the different areas of research at PNNL.

What do you enjoy doing in your free time?

I love playing with my dog and taking her on walks and hikes. I also love to travel when I have the opportunity. I was fortunate to attend a conference in Australia last summer.

What are you currently reading?

I'm currently reading *The Handmaid's Tale*. I loved the TV show and I always enjoy reading the books that movies and shows are based on to compare.

What is your dream job? Why?

Honestly, I'm still trying to figure it out. I really love to learn and grad school has given me the opportunity to continue my education while I search for my dream job.