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Data Scientist

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Education

Master of Science in Applied Computing (Data Science Concentration) 2020-present
University of Toronto

Bachelor of Mathematics in Data Science 2015-2020
University of Waterloo

- Cherry Statistics Course Award
- George Barnard Statistics Prize

Experience

Data Scientist Intern 05/2021 – 12/2021
Geotab, Waterloo

- Designed, Implemented, and validated pipeline for detecting harsh driving events, using Airflow and BigQuery.

Teaching Assistant 09/2016 – 04/2021
University of Waterloo / University of Toronto

- Hosted tutorials and office hours. Marked assignments, tests, and projects
- Courses: Introduction to AI; Algebra; Linear Algebra; Statistics; Computational Thinking

Data Scientist Co-op 10/2019 – 12/2019
Carta, Waterloo

- Churn prediction using feature engineering and GLM models.
- Answered business intelligence questions with complex SQL queries.

Data Scientist Co-op 09/2019 – 10/2019
Kik Interactive, Waterloo

- Managed data dashboard to monitor spammers.
- Data exploration and design of manual rules to detect and categorize spammers.

Software Developer (Data Engineering) Co-op 01/2019 – 04/2019
Miovision Technologies, Waterloo

- Experimented with different datasets and techniques to improve object detection model. Examples include improving night performance, improving under-represented classes, and models fitted to specific backgrounds. Gains ranged from 15% to 30% improvement in F1 score.
- Implemented tight rotation (of images and bounding boxes) as an addition to TensorFlow's data augmentation library for object detection in Python.

- Designed protocols to expand datasets with continuous data inflow, while maintaining train-valid integrity and fair grounds for model comparisons, resulting in improved model evaluation.
- Front-end development in Python and JavaScript for data and model visualizations.
- Relational database design, database transition from MongoDB to PostgreSQL and data backfill.

Junior Data Scientist Co-op

01/2018 – 04/2018

Intelligent Mechatronic Systems, Waterloo

- Data cleaning & transformation for battery health prediction using random forest.
- Built internal python libraries for data preprocessing, quality control and sanity check.
- Designed and verified algorithms to detect and predict unlabelled events such as gear shifts.
- Applied K-Means to distinguish hybrid and traditional cars, achieved 95%+ recall and specificity.

Rail Operations Co-op

01/2017 – 04/2017

Metrolinx, Toronto

- Analyzed the on-time performance of GO trains, summarized major incidents, and provided statistics for decision-making in platform adjustments and schedule modifications.
- Improved reporting style by writing macro commands to replace pivot tables and human effort.
- Refactored old Excel VBA codes to shorten runtime by 30-50%.
- Designed new report templates and automated reporting with VBA.

Project Management Associate

PureLiving China (Shanghai) Ltd, Beijing

05/2016 - 08/2016

- Delivered audits, proposals and work reports for clients.
- Assisted engineers with AutoCAD design.
- Installed, configured, debugged and repaired air monitoring devices onsite.