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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy, Applied Mathematics University of Colorado, Boulder, CO Sept. 2013 to May 2018

Bachelor of Science, Physical Sciences

Aug. 2006 through May 2010

Reed College, Portland, OR

TECHNICAL LANGUAGE SKILLS

Fluent in Python (TensorFlow, keras, scikit-learn, pandas, matplotlib, seaborn, numpy, scipy, statsmodels), Scala, Spark, SQL, MATLAB, git, shell scripting & IATEX . Experienced in object-oriented design, functional programming & Agile development.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Data Science Engineer, FullContact

June 2018 to Present

* Design & implement graph algorithms for identity resolution in custom NoSQL graph database

Research Scientist, the Trade Desk

Oct. 2017 to May 2018

- * Build DeskAI, machine learning platform for automated user targeting in online advertising
- * Incorporate external data sources to augment user information and target advertisements more effectively
- * In real-world testing, DeskAI doubles clicks through rate of advertisements at no additional cost

Data Scientist, Entelligent LLC

Nov. 2016 to Oct. 2017

- * Conceptualize, design, and implement scalable portfolio optimization & risk analytics library
- * Use library to construct index Smart Climate 500 (SCLMX) currently published by Bloomberg
- * SCLMX shows higher returns and lower risk than S&P 500 over a ten-year backtest

Research Assistant, Statistics & Data Analysis, Natl. Inst. of Standards & Tech.

May 2014 to Aug. 2015

- * Develop statistical techniques for analyzing data arising in experimental quantum mechanics
- * Method is shown to be significantly more robust than the current most popular approach

Research Assistant, Graph Algorithms, University of Colorado

Jan. 2016 to Present

- * Develop, analyze, & implement algorithms for anomaly detection in large graph data
- * Method is effective on empirical social datasets such as the Enron emails and the Militarized Interstate Dispute record

PUBLICATIONS

- * P. Wills and F. Meyer. Efficient Tools for Graph Comparison: A Practitioner's Guide. In preparation.
- * P. Wills and F. Meyer. Detecting Topological Changes in Dynamic Community Networks. arXiv preprint 1707.07362 [cs.SI]
- * P. Wills, E. Iacocca, and M. Hoefer. Stochastic Thermal Perturbations of Dissipative Droplet Solitons, Phys. Rev. B 93 144408
- * P. Wills, E. Knill, K. Coakley, and Y. Zhang. Performance of Test Supermartingale Confidence Intervals for the Success Probability of Bernoulli Trials. arXiv preprint 1709.04078 [math.ST]