

# Adrian Ng, MSc.

Seeking Junior-Level Data Engineering Opportunities

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## PROFILE

I am a Computer Science graduate passionate about programming and a career in Data Engineering. I seek opportunities that meet my growing experience in *Java* – a language I have used in numerous academic projects ranging from the implementation of financial models to large-scale data processing with *Apache Hadoop* and more.

Prior to postgraduate study, my expertise in *SQL development* focused on the implementation of segmentation processes for a number of clients including: *Virgin Media*, *TUI*, *UPC*, *MSD*, *Volkswagen*, and *KwikFit*.

After graduation, my accomplishments as a Data Analyst at *Manchester City FC* leaned more towards Data Engineering, which leads me now to pursue a career in this field.

## EDUCATION

- Royal Holloway – Department of Computer Science** Sept. 2016 – Dec. 2017  
• *Master of Science in Data Science and Analytics* with Distinction
- King's College London – School of Engineering** Sept. 2007 – July 2010  
• *Bachelor of Engineering in Mechanical Engineering* Upper Second Class with Honours

## TECHNOLOGIES

- Languages** • Java 8 • T-SQL
- Software** • IntelliJ IDEA • SQL Server Management Studio • Git • VS Code • Jira • Maven

## JAVA PROJECTS

**Value at Risk** Estimating *VaR*, a measure of risk, for an investment portfolio containing stocks, options, and deltas.  
**Dissertation** Implemented these VaR measures and time-series volatility estimates:

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**VaR Measures** • Model Building • Historical Simulation • Monte Carlo Simulation.

**Volatility Estimates** • *Equal Weighted* • *EWMA* • *GARCH(1,1)*

- implemented *Levenberg-Marquardt* algorithm for optimisation of *GARCH(1,1)* parameters
- made use of object-oriented techniques and patterns to accommodate these numerous approaches
- gained efficiencies by using Java's **concurrency** APIs to parallelize the 100,000+ random walks generated by *Monte Carlo* when simulating stock price movements
- utilised *Google Finance*/*Yahoo Finance* APIs to source time-series financial data

**Data Mining**  
Large-Scale Data  
Storage &  
Processing

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**MapReduce** Wrote *MapReduce* applications involving:

- aggregation of *Twitter* data
- scraping a large collection of emails in the *Enron Corpus*
- extraction of communications graph consisting of nodes/edges

**Hadoop**

Applications ran on single-node/distributed clusters

- Self-hosted the single-node cluster
- ETL via *HDFS* utilised **hdfs dfs** commands

**Spark**

Utilising the *Apache Spark REPL* to achieve:

- translation of *MapReduce* applications to **Scala**
- reduced code verbosity
- ETL via *HDFS* using **sparkcontext** API

**Option Pricing** Implemented numerous approaches to pricing options and calculating payoff:

Methods of  
Computational  
Finance

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**Options** • Monte Carlo Simulation • Black Scholes • Binomial Trees

**Payoff** • American • Asian • European

These approaches made probabilistic assumptions, so *Apache Commons Math* API was used.

**Summarizing financial data** A self-taught exercise to gain familiarity with Java 8's **Stream** API. I was able to implement approaches to computing mean and variance estimates from an immutable collection of time-series financial data.

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## MANCHESTER CITY FOOTBALL CLUB

*Data Analyst*

*Fan Relationship Management*

*Jan. - July 2018*

**New York City FC Project** I took ownership of this project to integrate *NYCFC's* transactional and demographic data with *City Football Group's* data-warehouse. This six-month project involved many phases including: discovery, engineering, and analysis. Data came from multiple external sources: • NYCFC • Ticketmaster • Salesforce • Major League Soccer

**Data Pipeline** • built pipeline ingesting data from multiple databases, replacing *Informatica* solution  
• achieved speed improvements using efficient DML & DDL (*OPENQUERY*, *MERGE*)

**Data Cubes** Storing analytical datasets in *Data Cubes* achieved  
• up-stream computation of all drill-down/roll-up levels and *GROUP BY* permutations  
• reduction in size of data set, minimising bandwidth across distributed servers  
• improved user-experience in *Tableau* front-end

**Mentoring** Dedicating time to mentoring junior colleagues remotely in Manchester/New York  
• organised weekly workshops teaching basic DML and advanced DDL  
• developed additional material on my website to supplement these workshops  
• aimed towards self-sufficiency in writing database queries/stored procedures

**GDPR Pipeline** • integrated new GDPR schema into existing datastores (*SQL*, *Salesforce*)  
• worked with SQL developers to provide schema specification and UAT testing on new processes  
• built efficient *MERGE* process featuring relational database design

**Customer Churn Model** Modelling MCFC/NYCFC customers' future propensity to churn via *logistic regression*.  
• contributed to feature selection involving: data extraction, imputation, and normalisation  
• researched other models (e.g. *Beta-Geometric/Beta-Bernoulli*), academic papers, R Studio API

## CREATOR (NOW INSPIRED THINKING GROUP)

*Senior CRM Campaign Executive*

*SQL Development*

*Dec. 2013 - Sept. 2016*

I developed a number of *SQL* processes to transform customer data into CRM segments. On occasion, I took responsibility for resourcing and managing the team's workload in *Jira*.

**Virgin Media Segmentation** Implemented a new segmentation process in *SQL* stored procedures.  
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• wrote a flexible import process to efficiently ingest millions of tuples distributed across multiple flat-files, to supersede *SSMS's* Import Wizard  
• achieved efficient joining of local and remote tables via use of *OPENQUERY*, *XML*, dynamic *SQL*  
• implemented efficient regex parsing via recursion (with one-to-many tuple mapping akin to *flatMap*)

**Volkswagen Onboarding** Worked with .NET developers and project managers to on-board a new client.  
• built and tested a new process for broadcasting email and SMS.  
• provided schema specification to developers for data warehousing

**TUI Redesign** Collaborated with TUI to integrate a new, responsive design of their *Thomson* and *First Choice* large deployment broadcasts (5M+ recipients)  
• wrote *TCL* scripts for dynamic *HTML* merges and gained efficiencies by moving expensive operations upstream  
• gained recognition with client and was awarded at the end of this three-month project

## SEATWAVE (NOW TICKETMASTER)

*Marketing Analyst Intern*

*Commercial Team*

*May 2013 - Dec. 2013*

Using *SQL Server Management Studio*, I wrote DML capable of querying the transactional/customer databases to return data for warehousing, reporting, and segmentation. I also worked on pricing and spatial analyses, using *QGIS* as a visualisation tool.