

# 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 • SQL  
**Software:** • IntelliJ IDEA • SQL Server Management Studio • Git • VS Code • Jira • Maven

## JAVA PROJECTS

**Value at Risk** Dissertation project: estimating *VaR*, a measure of risk, for an investment portfolio containing stocks, options, and deltas. A number of VaR measures and time-series variance estimates were implemented:  
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### VaR Measures

- Model Building
- Historical Simulation
- Monte Carlo Simulation.

### Moving Average Processes

- *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 in using Java's **concurrency** APIs to parallelize the 100,000+ random walks generated by *Monte Carlo* when simulating stock price movements
- utilised *Google Fiance*/*Yahoo Finance* APIs to source time-series financial data

## Data Mining

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[adrian.ng/scala/enron1](http://adrian.ng/scala/enron1)

Building *MapReduce* applications for large scale data mining and processing.

### MapReduce

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

### Hadoop

- applications ran on self-hosted, single-node cluster and distributed clusters
- `hdfs dfs` commands used to ETL via *HDFS*

### Spark

A subsequent self-learning exercise achieving:

- translation of *MapReduce* applications to **Scala**, running in an *Apache Spark REPL*
- reduced code verbosity, maintained ETL via *HDFS*

## Option Pricing

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Implementing numerous approaches to pricing options and their various payoffs.

### 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

[adrian.ng/java/yahoofinance/#stream](http://adrian.ng/java/yahoofinance/#stream)

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.

## 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 each with differing schema: *NYCFC*, *Ticketmaster Salesforce*, *Major League Soccer*.

- Data Pipeline**
  - built pipeline ingesting data from multiple databases, replacing *Informatica* solution
  - achieved efficient ETL process via effective DML & DDL (*OPENQUERY*, *MERGE*)
- Data Cubes**
  - implemented up-stream computation of drill-down/roll-up for all permutations, minimising bandwidth across distributed servers
  - eliminated real-time computation in *Tableau* front-end, improving UX
- Mentoring**
  - dedicated 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

- 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** Building a new segmentation process in *SQL* stored procedures.

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[adrian.ng/openquery-xml](http://adrian.ng/openquery-xml)

- built a bespoke import tool around *BULK INSERT* to ingest millions of tuples distributed across multiple flat-files
- achieved efficient joining of local and remote data by combining *OPENQUERY*, *XML*, and dynamic *SQL*
- implemented efficient regex parsing via recursion (operating akin to *flatMap* in *Java 8/Scala*)

**Volkswagen Onboarding** Working 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** Collaborating 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.