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Work Experience

BC Children's Hospital - Digital Health Innovation Lab

Vancouver BC, CA

Data Scientist – Pain Risk Prediction (Part-time)

September 2022 - April 2023

- Identify and develop appropriate prediction models and risk factors to explore pain trajectory patterns within data
- Data cleaning, visualization, feature engineering for further analysis and evaluate model success based on local collected clinical data

Developer (Co-op) – Data Analytics and Visualization Tools

May 2022 - August 2022

- Developed Post Operative Follow up (POFU) dashboards helping anesthetists review their performance over time compared to their peers
- Lead and developed Pediatric Difficult Intubation dashboards assisting the department to understand the most effective intubation techniques
- Built scripts that clean and merge a variety of data sources to conduct data analysis for pain risk prediction studies (POQI)

Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (CIBC)

Toronto, Ontario, CA

Business Systems Analyst Co-op – (CIBC Exceptional Co-op Student Award Recipient)

September 2021 – April 2022

- Built automated routines for analytical reports and Tableau dashboards to monitor KPIs (process metrics) and their performance over time
- Lead project to mitigate data loss in preparation for transitioning between tools reducing required data migrations by 65%
- Cleaned and analyzed data to derive actionable insights to improve the workflow efficiency both in teams and applications

MDA Ltd. Halifax, Nova Scotia, CA

Software Engineer Co-op – Test Automation

May 2021 – August 2021

- Designed and developed automated tests for the growing the project's smoke and regression test suites by 50% and 20% respectively
- Refactored and optimized the precondition steps reducing the runtime by 60% and improved smoke test's reliability to 100% verification

Woodgrove Technologies Inc.

Toronto, Ontario, CA

Quality Analyst Intern

May 2019 – August 2019

- Built and executed regression tests for quality, load handling and other software deficiencies participating in AGILE and Scrum practices
- Lead SRED project: Using Unreal Engine 4 to generate virtual datasets replicating field images to improve segmentation techniques

Education

The University of British Columbia, Bachelor of Applied Science

September 2018 – May 2023

Integrated Engineering: Computer Engineering Major & Engineering Physics Minor

Deans Honour List

Technical Skills

Programming languages: Python, Java, C#, JavaScript

Methodologies and Technologies: PowerBI, Agile, Data Life Cycle, Git, Jupyter, Pandas, Tableau, Automation, software testing

Capstone & Technical Projects

Overlap: Music Sharing Web Application

UBC (IGEN330)

Backend Team Lead & Algorithm Developer

October 2020 - April 2021

- Built a Spotify integrated web application returning users listening habits and letting you discover your friend's music tastes
- Designed and developed: data schemas, routing, and middleware functions for our RESTful API and its endpoints
- Coded and developed playlist generation algorithm and users' favourite songs incorporating collaborative filtering and clustering

Converting Coordinates Between Various Datums

UBC Dept. of Geological Engineering

Python Developer

July 2020 – August 2020

- Developed a windows application to convert batches of coordinates into different formats and between different geodetic vertical datums.
- Lead development team and conducted code reviews to minimize bugs and ensure code quality

Student Design Teams

UBC Solar

Software and Battery Mechanics Team Member

January 2020 - April 2021

- Developed the cars battery model in python (numpy) and ran simulations to optimize our race strategies
- Designed and manufactured the car's HV Lithium-lon battery pack including the control plate, modules, and enclosure