Donald Vu

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Education

Georgia Institute of Technology

Present - June 2020

Candidate for Master of Science, Computer Science Concentration: Computing Systems

University of California, Los Angeles

September 2013- June 2018

Bachelor of Science, Statistics

Experience

The Walt Disney Company

May 2019 - August 2019

Data Science Intern; Burbank, California

- Oversaw and maintained complete ownership over the production of a statistical model from idea formulation to pipeline integration and full deployment.
- Constructed Net Uplift and Pareto/NBD models to predict customer lifetime value, cost per registered user, and customer retention/engagement in order to measure the most effective channels for Disney's marketing media.
- Developed fluency with AWS EC2/S3 services by deploying large-scale models on highlevel instances, mining volumes of raw data for feature engineering, and executing vast quantities of database queries.

RAPP – Advanced Analytics

August 2018 - May 2019

Data Science Intern; Los Angeles, California

- Coded analytical models in Python for McDonalds, Toyota, and Nestle that enhanced their customer targeting precision and solved business challenges/KPIs through the use of LightGBM, XGBoost, and clustering algorithms.
- Implemented multi-core processing and memory manipulation for in-house scripts reducing average code runtime from 2 hours to less than 30 minutes while also conserving 30% more data storage.
- Utilized SQL to execute batch queries on Hadoop/Spark and extracted 40 million+ records for use in Python pipelines to support feature enhancement of existing models.

Projects

Portfolio: https://donaldvu18.wixsite.com/mysite

Twitter Sentiment Analysis Project using NLP/NLTK/Scikit/SciPy/Pandas

 Analyzed community outlook on various topics by using Python to capture tweets using Twitter's streaming API and then training a classifier to recognize their connotation.

NBA Playoff Wins Algorithm (www.bruinsportsanalytics.com/defchamp)

 Developed a regression model that predicts the number of wins for a playoff team based on multivariate predictors and had the algorithm published on a sports analytics website.

Skills

Python (4yrs), R (3yrs), SQL (3yrs) | AWS / EC2 | Hive/Hadoop | PySpark | Decision Tree SVM | Dashboards | TensorFlow | Tableau | K-NN | Logistic Regression | NLP | Neural Networks