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EDUCATION

Sept 2018 - Stanford University Stanford, CA

Apr 2020 M.S. in Statistics, GPA: 3.9/4.0
Sept 2011 – California Institute of Technology

Jun 2015 B.S. in Applied and Computational Mathematics, GPA: 3.5/4.0

WORK EXPERIENCE

Jul 2019 - Nokia Bell Labs Sunnyvale, CA

Sept 2019 FxIn Machine Learning Summer Research Intern

- Designed environment-invariant CNN models using PyTorch and CUDA to classify indoor human activity using WiFi Channel State Information data, with accuracy of 78% on test data with arbitrary furniture orientation.

Pasadena, CA

Redwood City, CA

- Full responsibility over data collection, cleaning, and processing using NumPy, Pandas, and sklearn.
- Presented live demo with real-time labeling of unscripted human activity to various teams across Bell Labs. Model correctly labeled all activities over three minutes of live testing.
- Conducted literature review of state-of-the-art research in unsupervised learning, and tested capabilities of k-means clustering and Gaussian mixture models for human activity recognition.

Aug 2016 - Oracle Corporation

Sept 2018 Software Engineer II

- $\hbox{-} Improved\ Oracle\ Linux\ reboot\ functionality\ by\ making\ executable\ file\ addresses\ position-independent.}$
- Fixed security vulnerabilities in Oracle Linux and Solaris 12 using RPM SPEC files and bash tools.
- Upgraded Free and Open Source Software components to latest versions and integrated them into Solaris 12.

Aug 2015 - SBB Research Group LLC Jun 2016 Applications Developer Chicago, IL

- Used Python and R to implement mathematical models to estimate implied volatilities of structured notes.
- Analyzed SPX/RUT data using MySQL to predict future behavior of indices with inter/extrapolation techniques.

RELEVANT PROJECTS

Winter 2020 The Best Sarcasm Detector Ever Created (CS224n, Stanford)

- Used PyTorch to developed content embedding CNN for generalized sarcasm detection over multiple corpus datasets, including Twitter/Reddit posts and The Onion/Huffington Post news headlines.
- Project proposal linked here (Google Drive) or here (GitHub).

Winter 2020 Natural Language Processing Mini Projects (CS224n, Stanford)

- Implemented skip-gram word2vec embedding model, neural transition-based dependency parser, and neural machine translation RNN with bidirectional LSTM and character-based encoder.

Fall 2019 Last.fm Package: Analysis of Music Listening Habits in R (STATS290, Stanford)

- Wrote R package from scratch using Last.fm API to query, visualize, and recommend music based on a user's listening history, including full documentation, use cases, and comprehensive tests.
- Functionalities include pulling listening history and track/album/artist information, and generating world map of artists' origins, word cloud of most listened to music genres, and new music recommendations.
- Report linked here (Github).

Fall 2018 Facial Expression Recognition (CS229, Stanford)

- Developed predictive models including a baseline 3-layer CNN, ResNet50, and fine-tuned models using pretrained weights and image augmentation, powered by Keras and a single Nvidia GTX 960 GPU.
- Performance of 66.1% accuracy on the FER2013 dataset reached #5 on the 2013 Kaggle leaderboard.
- Report linked here (Google Drive) or here (GitHub).

Fall 2018 Machine Learning Mini Projects (CS229, Stanford)

- Implemented prediction of daily website traffic (Poisson regression), spam classification (naive Bayes), image compression (k-means), handwritten digit classification (CNN), and mixed audio component extraction (ICA).

Fall 2018 Predicting the Success Rate of Speed Dating (MS&E226, Stanford)

- Developed and compared several predictive models, such as linear regression, logistic regression, naive Bayes, and decision trees/random forests, with best model being linear regression with interaction terms.
- Statistical inferences conducted include normal and clustered bootstrapping, multiple hypothesis testing such as Bonferroni Correction and Benjamini-Hochberg, and statistical significance of coefficients.
- Report linked here (Google Drive) or here (GitHub).

Spring 2014 **Netflix Prize (CS156, Caltech)**

- Leveraged Singular Value Decomposition (SVD), SVD++, time SVD++, Restricted Boltzmann Machine, and the Weekday Model to achieve successful algorithm blend, surpassing Netflix's original algorithm by 7.75%.

SKILLS & COURSES

Machine Learning, Computer Vision, NLP, Stochastic Processes, ANOVA, Optimization, Bayesian Statistics, Statistical Consulting

PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES/TOOLS

Proficient – Python, R/R Markdown, PyTorch, CUDA, conda, git Experienced – SQL, C/C++, Tableau