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EDUCATION

Columbia University, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences

New York City, NY

M.A. Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences (QMSS) - Data Science Track

Sep 2023 - Feb 2025

Honors: Top 5% (GPA: 3.98/4.0); 1st Place, Environmental Track, Columbia Data Science Society Datathon

Relevant Coursework: Modern Data Structure, Time Series Analysis, Natural Language Processing

Boston University, Questrom School of Business

Boston, MA

B.S. Business Administration – Management Information Systems & Business Analytics; *Minor*: Mathematics Sep 2019 – May 2023 Honors: Magna Cum Laude (GPA: 3.82/4.0), Dean's List, 1st Place in wildcard round – DICK'S Sporting Goods Analytics Case Competition Relevant Coursework: Corporate Finance, Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP), Database Design, Agile Methodology (certified PSM I)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA)

New York City, NY

Energy Markets Analyst Intern, Policy, Analysis, & Research Unit (PandA)

Feb 2024 - Dec 2024

- Accelerated critical energy market queries by **45+ minutes** by engineering robust **PySpark pipelines** on AWS EC2, integrating S3 and Redshift data; improved data quality for downstream reports and models via schema validation, partitioning, and KNN imputation.
- Designed and implemented a hybrid anomaly detection system combining business-driven validation rules with **unsupervised Isolation Forest** modeling—reducing anomaly misclassification by **30%** and streamlining the data cleaning workflow.
- Enhanced forecast robustness by introducing Gradient Boosting models (Optimized by GridSearchCV) for load prediction, outperforming previous OLS approaches and reducing error by 20% (<100 MW) through integration of market, utility, and economic features.
- Developed over **10 interactive Power BI dashboards** utilizing DAX, drill-down, and geospatial features, enhancing market reporting efficiency by **70%**. Enabled actionable insights for **cross-functional teams**, including energy analysts and policymakers.

Deloitte Sichuan, China

Financial Advisory Intern

Jun 2023 - Aug 2023

- Reduced data refresh times by **70%** for a \$5M ESG project by optimizing **Snowflake/SQL pipelines**—refining joins and CTE logic to extract actionable insights from 1M+ transit flow records, including features like congestion, route efficiency, and underlying demand.
- Developed an **automated Python tool** using the Requests package to interface with Chengdu RailTransit's API, converting JSON and XML interim data into Excel-based traffic volume trend maps, enhancing accessibility for over **15 colleagues** with mixed skill levels.
- Presented weekly findings to 5 internal teams and 20+ client engineers and produced extensive reports of over **10 pages** that supported downstream **risk assessment & regulatory compliance** strategies for implementing Transit-Oriented Development (TOD).

Chengdu Wide Horizon (WanHua) Investment Group Co. Ltd

Sichuan, China

Data Operation Consultant

Apr 2021 - Jul 2021

 Designed and implemented a customer segmentation workflow leveraging K-means clustering optimized by silhouette scores, enabling personalized marketing that reduced bounce rates by 10%+, achieved 70% initiative acceptance (~¥5,000 in incremental value).

PROJECTS AND RESEARCH

Hybrid Machine Learning Modeling of Spatial-Temporal NO₂ Concentrations in Israel

New York City, NY

Research Assistant for Professor Mike Z. He, Columbia University, https://doi.org/10.1289/isee.2023.MP-011

Jan 2025 - Present

• Elevated team outcomes by delivering an interpretable, residual-explaining extreme Gradient Boosting (XGBoost) model, refining NO₂ concentration predictions at a granular 200 m² resolution, and achieving a spatial R² of 0.84 and an overall R² of 0.51.

Solar Eclipse Energy Resilience and Emergency Preparedness Project

New York City, NY

Energy Markets Analyst Intern

March 2024 - May 2024

• Empowered the policy team to enact **2 policy changes** and **5 annex amendments** by delivering actionable insights—engineered an **OLS regression model in Python** analyzing gasoline price drivers and presented results via **Excel Power Query** and a strategic memo.

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

- Programming & Tools: Python (Pandas, scikit-learn, Matplotlib, Streamlit, Requests, SciPy), R, SQL, Git, Jupyter, SAP, Shell Scripting
- Data Engineering & Infrastructure: AWS (EC2, S3, Glue), Databricks, MongoDB, Apache Airflow, BigQuery, Microsoft Azure
- Finance, Risk & Project Management: Risk Analytics (Model Risk, VaR), GitKraken, Salesforce CRM, Asana, Jira, Oracle
- Statistics & Machine Learning: Regression, Boosting Algorithms, Advanced Tree Models, Causal Inference, Predictive Modeling
- Interests: Fitness Coaching (NASM CPT Certified), Powerlifting & Strength Training, Collegiate Swimming, Speedcubing