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SKILLS

Programming: Python, R, SQL, Batch Scripting

Packages: NumPy, Pandas, Tidyverse, NLTK, Keras, PyTorch, TensorFlow

Data Science: A/B testing, Hadoop, Kaggle

Data Visualization: Tableau, Matplotlib, Seaborn, ggplot2, plotly

Machine Learning: GLM, Random Forest, SVM, PCA, CNN

EDUCATION

THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY, Baltimore, MD

M.Sc. Degree Biomedical Engineering & Biomedical Data Science: Expected May, 2020 **GPA:** 3.7

NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY, Boston, MA

B.Eng. Degree in Biomedical Engineering: August, 2018 **GPA:** 3.9

SELECTED PROJECTS

Reinforcement Learning: Super Mario Bros (NES)

Mar 2020 – Apr 2020

AI that learns to play Super Mario Bros using Deep Q-Network (DQN) in TensorFlow

Demo: https://github.com/LuchaoQi/Reinforcement_Learning

- Built reinforcement learning environment using OPENAI GYM and emulated NES using Nes-Py.
- Designed a convolutional neural network (CNN) model with 5 hidden layers as an agent in TensorFlow.
- Trained the agent using deep Q-learning and reduced training time by 20% using Adam optimizer.
- Completed different levels of Super Mario Bros successfully without death which was twice as fast as averaged human players.

Amazon product review rating prediction

Jun 2019 – Aug 2019

Detection of suspicious or fake Amazon product reviews using machine learning

Demo: <https://www.kaggle.com/luchaoqi/making-predictions-over-amazon-recommendation-data>

- Extracted Amazon Food Reviews data from Kaggle and cleaned data using PANDAS, NUMPY and DFPLY.
- Tokenized unstructured text of user reviews using NLTK for feature construction.
- Converted text to vector using bag-of-words model (unigram/bigram) with SCIKIT-LEARN.
- Predicted customer ratings using logistic regression with 0.94 AUC.
- Reduced prediction error by 3% using random forest to improve detection of abusive reviews.

Investigation of Yelp user funnels, Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

Jan 2019 – Mar 2019

Performance analysis of Yelp users & restaurant using SQL

Demo: https://github.com/LuchaoQi/Yelp_Data_Set_SQL

- Programmed web crawler to scrape and parse unstructured data from Yelp using Xpaths, BeautifulSoup.
- Created a database using MySQL workbench and imported ~10 GB data file into the database.
- Visualized geographic distribution of restaurants with average ratings using Tableau.
- Created metrics (bracket retention, DAU/MAU) to measure customer engagement and made suggestions for ways to improve upon KPIs via A/B testing.

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WORK EXPERIENCE

THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY, Baltimore, MD

Nov 2019 – Jan 2020

Data Science Research Assistant, Data Science Lab

Survival analysis of time-series data using Python and R

- Used DPLYR and TIDYVERSE to clean data in National Health & Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES).
- Reduced dimensionality of data using PCA to capture essence of the data.
- Selected features using tree-based model, AIC/BIC to achieve better predictive performance of model.
- Constructed a spectral-based convolutional neural network (CNN) on 3000 patients using Keras to predict mortality with 71% accuracy.
- Improved mortality prediction accuracy to 86.45% using regularized logistic regression.
- Hosted R shiny website comparing PCA, k-means, UMAP, t-SNE and visualizing clustering results using ggplot2 and plotly. (demo: https://luchaoqi.github.io/Shiny_clustering/#1)

Bloomberg School of Public Health

Summer, 2019

Data Analyst Intern

Association analysis between lifestyle patterns & body mass index (BMI)

- Wrangled time-series data of 32971 subjects and built pipeline to front-end dashboard using MySQL.
- Explored user distribution on Hadoop using MapReduce to maximize dataset value.
- Trained a generalized linear model (GLM) to predict user BMI with 46.07 mean squared error (MSE).
- Reduced prediction error by 13% using ANOVA and feature engineering method (normalization, Random Forest) through 10-fold cross validation.
- Identified statistically significant (p -value < 0.5) impact of lifestyle patterns on BMI to encourage the performance of multiple good health behaviors.

PAUL C. LAUTERBUR LAB at SIAT, Shenzhen, CHINA

Nov 2016 – Jan 2017

Senior Researcher

EMG signal pattern recognition for hand gestures using spectral analysis

- Designed, constructed and assembled EMG data acquisition system for recognition of arm activities.
- Converted time-domain data of 200 gestures into frequency domain using Fast Fourier Transform to denoise signal.
- Classified different hand movements using support vector machines (SVMs) with 82% accuracy.
- Improved accuracy by 3% in training a neural network, providing insight for medical rehabilitation systems.

PUBLICATIONS

Qi L, Zhang Q, Tan Y, et al. Non-contact High-frequency Ultrasound Microbeam Stimulation: A Novel Finding and Potential Causes of Cell Responses. *IEEE Trans Biomed Eng* 2019.

Qi L, Zhang Q, Lam KH, et al. Calcium fluorescence response of human breast cancer cells by 50-MHz ultrasound microbeam stimulation. Presented at 2017 IEEE International Ultrasonics Symposium (IUS), 6-9 Sept. 2017.