Michael Jordan

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Tech leader in data & analytics. Left Google voluntarily in 2023 for a career sabbatical to pursue a personal interest in ecology by enrolling in a full-time graduate program. Now returning to the job market.

EDUCATION

Imperial College MSc in Ecology London, UK 2023–2024

- Coursework in Machine Learning, Advanced Statistics, Genomics, Carbon Cycle, GIS.

Harvard University BA in Economics Cambridge, MA, USA 2004–2008

- Coursework in Econometrics, Statistics, Linear Algebra, Corporate Finance, Capital Markets.

EXPERIENCE

Google

Business Analyst Manager - YouTube

Singapore

2021-2023

- Analytics Lead owning data and statistical analysis into operations for YouTube Trust & Safety (~400 person org requiring 24/7 global coverage).
- Managed 3-person BA team supporting business metrics (metric development, causal inference testing, root cause analysis, optimization, strategy). Set annual goals, quarterly OKRs, and KPIs in collaboration with cross-functional Directors. Ran strategy offsite. Mentored team for professional development.
- Collaborated with Directors of Detection Engineering and Vendor Operations to develop a model to realize vendor cost savings opportunities created by detection ML model improvements. Saved \$2M-\$4M in vendor cost in typical headcount governance cycle.
- Reduced operational and technical debt by streamlining processes, collaborating with Data Engineering team to improve upstream data, and aligning with stakeholders on SLAs and R&R. Cut time spent bug-bashing by 53%.

Senior Business Analyst - YouTube

Singapore

2019-2021

- Owned data and statistical analysis into vendor operations for YouTube Trust & Safety.
- Coded production SQL pipelines using BigQuery to query large (>1 TB) datasets. Developed business metrics. Conducted hypothesis tests and root cause analysis into metric shifts using R and Python in Colab. Owned insights in VP forum. Built visualizations using Google Data Studio. Earned **GoogleSQL readability**. Earned **level promotion**.
- Developed a vendor utilization metric (defined metric, won stakeholder buy-in, coded SQL pipelines, built visualizations, trained FTEs). Project-managed initiatives to increase utilization in collaboration with cross-functional stakeholders.

 Increased utilization from 55% to 85%, preventing \$45M in otherwise wasted spend annually.
- Supported COVID-19 business contingency planning by rapidly coding production SQL pipelines to detect failures in operational systems. Caught multiple P0/OMG bugs that would have caused wide-scale content moderation failures.

Financial Analyst - Android

Singapore

2017-2019

- Owned financial planning and analysis for Asia-Pacific Android partnerships. Modeled customer LTV using Google Sheets. Coded business metric pipelines and forecast trends using Python. Conducted hypothesis tests using R. Supported Business Development team with strategic and financial analysis. Owned deal and PO approval. Coded SQL pipelines.

Technical Product Expert - gTech

Cambridge, MA, USA

2014-2017

- Debugged issues in Google Ads bidding algorithms, conversion tracking, and ad targeting. Conducted A/B experiments. Collaborated with Product teams to inform feature development. Queried SQL databases. Earned **level promotion.**

Optimization Specialist - gTech

NYC, NY, USA

2012-2014

- Analyzed Google Ads Dynamic Remarketing campaigns performance (CTR, CPA, ROAS) for Sales teams and clients.

Experience prior to 2012 includes analytical roles at Meebo (social media), Mindset Media (ad tech), and Alliance Consulting.

SKILLS

Languages, Software, & OS: SQL, R, Python, Bash, Spreadsheets, Windows, Linux

Development & BI Tools: Version Control (Git), Bug Tracking, SSH, IDEs, Data Visualization (Google Data Studio, Tableau), Cloud Data Warehousing (BigQuery), Jupyter Notebooks (Colab)

Statistics & ML: Causal Inference, Linear Modeling, Dimensionality Reduction, Clustering, Classification, Model Selection

Interests

Endurance Sports (Personal Best): Ironman (13:33:37), half Ironman (5:16:24), marathon (2:58:40), 5K (18:43) Volunteering: Transient Workers Count Too, Rosie's Place, MarAlliance, Singapore Nature Society