Markus Köfler

Education

Vienna University of Technology

Oct 2023 - Present

MSc Data Science

Vienna, Austria

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Jan 2022 - Jun 2022

Exchange Semester (GPA: 3.87/4)

Illinois, USA

- Relevant Coursework: Python for Data Science, Intro. to Computer Science, Statistics, Leadership & Entrepreneurship
- Joint-Study Scholarship (worth \$19,200)
- Activities: Joined YMCA & Flipping Illini, participated in meetings of local Rotary Club

University of Klagenfurt

Oct 2020 - Jul 2023

BSc International Business & Economics (Grade Average: 1.29/5)

Klagenfurt, Austria

- Bachelor Thesis: Construction of Annual Data Sets for the Econometric Analysis of Long-Run Money Demand
 - ♦ Participated in a funded research project from the Department of Economics by searching, adjusting and adding 124 time-series of selected economic variables to a large data collection.
 - ♦ Applied temporal aggregation & splicing techniques. Developed an imputation algorithm written in Python.
- Relevant Coursework: Deep Learning, AI & Machine Learning, Python, Econometrics, Data Analytics
- 3 × Merit Scholarship

Technical Skills

Programming & Markup Languages: Python 3, R, Java 8, SQL, Git, Bash, MiniZinc, LATEX, Markdown, HTML Libraries: TensorFlow/Keras, Pytorch, Scikit-Learn, Pandas, NumPy, MatplotLib & Seaborn, OpenCV, Tidyverse, GGplot Software & Tools: Jupyter & Google Colab, Docker, Tableau, GitHub, Excel, Google Suite, DB2, Big-Query

Experience

uniforce Consulting Aug 2023 - Present

ConsultantVienna, Austria

- Currently leading a taskforce consisting of 12 club members for the upcoming recruiting phase in October.
- Performed data analysis on club member data from the internal Podio database with Python and Excel.

University of Klagenfurt

Oct 2022 - Jan 2023

Tutor for Econometrics & Programming in R

Klagenfurt, Austria

- Helped improving the grade average from 4.1 to 3.21 and the failing rate from 22% to 10% compared to previous year.
- Hold weekly tutorials for 40+ students. Demonstrated practical examples with R notebooks complementing the lecture.
- Content: Multiple Linear Regression, BLUE Criteria & Quality of Estimator, Hypothesis Testing, Pooled and Panel Data Models, Visualization, Statistical Modeling & Monte Carlo Simulations

Raiffeisen Landesbank Aug 2021

Office Assistant Klagenfurt, Austria

• Organized customer data with Excel. Implemented nested conditionals, pivot tables, filtering & sorting techniques.

Portfolio Projects & Extra-Curricular Activities

Skin Cancer Classification | Python, Google Colab, TensorFlow/Keras, GitHub

Jun 2023

- Comparison of VGG16-inspired CNNs with and without soft-attention mechanism on dermatoscopic skin lesion images.
- Achieved on average a 1.5% improvement in F1-scores by implementing soft-attention module.

Bitcoin Price Forecast & Price Scraper | Python, Google Colab, TensorFlow, Scikit-Learn, R, GitHub

Feb 2023

- Comparing Long Short-Term Memory model to a simple regression model as the benchmark. Training and predictions have been carried out in a recursive manner using the moving window technique.
- Real-time Bitcoin price scraper tool using several methods.

Open-Sourced Exercise Repositories | Python, R, GitHub

Oct 2022 - Jun 2023

• Open-sourced proposed code solutions and pre-processed data sets to home exercises in Data Analytics, Econometrics and Macroeconomics for fellow students and offered guidance with follow-up questions.

US Flight Delay Analysis | R, RStudio, SQL, GitHub

Sep 2022

• Data engineering and exploratory analysis using R and SQL-queries. Project aimed towards implementing and demonstrating skills acquired from the Google Data Analytics Certificate Course.

Certifications

Coursera: IBM Databases (SQL and Python), Google Professional Data Analytics, The Nuts and Bolts of Machine Learning DataCamp: Building Pipelines with Docker, Intermediate SQL, Introduction to R