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EDUCATION

Fordham UniversityMaster of Science in Data Science
08/2018-05/2020

Rutgers University

New Brunswick, NJ

Bachelor of Arts in Statistics, minor in Business Administration 08/2014-05/2018

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Researcher | iFlytech AI Research Institute

Hefei, CHINA

02/2023-Present

AI Audiobook Narration System Development

Independent Project, advised by Vice President of Text to Speech research team

- Developed a system for audiobooks that identifies character attributes (gender, age, personality) using NLP and deep learning to align with pronunciation databases.
- Fine-tuned MacBERT for NER using EasyNLP framework, achieving 99% F1 score in extracting character names and aliases from novels.
- Through Chinese RoBERTa, extracted character-related text, built a similarity model using PyTorch framework and Python, and clustered character aliases using hierarchical clustering.
- Customized Chinese RoBERTa with full word masks and fine-tuned the customized model using the Python Pytorch framework to identify and classify character's gender, age, and personality, achieving 95% in accuracy.
- Enhanced efficiency by switching from RoBERTa Large to MiniRBT and integrating models with Multi Task, reducing reasoning time by 80%

Data Science Lead | BigOne Lab Inc.

Beijing, CHINA

As the first Data Scientist at BigOne Lab, built a data science team with 6 machine learning engineers for the company

NLP Public Opinion Analysis

05/2021-12.2022

Independent Project, advised by Dr. Wu (Former Google Brain Researcher)

- Developed a BERT NER model utilizing the python TensorFlow framework with an f1-score of 0.91, identifying e-commerce trends from platform texts; resulting in our first consumer-goods client, 50+ business expansions, and ~\$2M annual revenue.
- Led creation of an ALBERT+TextCNN model, le veraging the Python-based PyTorch framework, categorizing ~100M e-commerce products, boosting data product accuracy from 50% to 95% and saving 10,000+ annual work hours.

OCR E-commerce Image Recognition

05/2021-12.2022

Team Lead

• Created a Paddle OCR-based price recognition algorithm, tuned 20+ times for 90% accuracy in product price extraction; pioneered and deployed a deep learning price recognition system for top global consumer goods firms.

NLP Sentiment Analysis 5/2021-12,2022

Team Lead

- Researched and fine-tuned 10+ML and deep learning sentiment models, achieving f1 scores over 0.9; delivered to 10+ clients within a year.
- Utilized PySpark and SQL to extract pertinent data from the database, employed KeyBERT for keyword extraction from Xiaohongshu, and conducted trend and sentiment analysis.

Media Mix Modeling 12/2020-05/2021

Independent Project, advised by Dr. Wu (Former Google Brain Researcher)

- Developed an XGBoost model utilizing python Scikit-Learn package, using advertisement cost to forecast daily buyers for leading cosmetic firms, achieving 99% accuracy during China's 2021 shopping festival.
- Designed an algorithm to enhance channel allocation efficiency, boosting cosmetics firms' monthly purchasers by 10% during the festival.

Factor Research 2020/05 - 2020/10

Independent Project

Applied Random Forest feature analysis method on job posting and web traffic data to identify stock price determinants, offering actionable insights and recommendations to clients.

Set up an AWS Sagemaker and EC2-based ML platform, trained UC Berkeley students on its use, and achieved 80% accuracy in predicting US equities revenue and 95% in stock price trend prediction.

Research Assistant | Fordham University Educational Machine Learning Lab Educational Data Mining Project (paper was published at the 2021 EDM conference)

New York, NY 06/2019-05/2020

Independent Project, advised by Dr. Weiss and Dr. Leeds

- Utilized Tmux to apply analysis on over 400,000 records of students' grades.
- Constructed Python library to automate analysis of correlations between courses and analysis of instructor grading styles
- Visualized course network by directed graph in Gephi

Data Science Internship | BattleFin Group. Inc **Predictive Modeling**

New York, NY 09/2019-12/2019

Independent Project

- Performed data quality and integrity check for alternative datasets before onboarding onto BattleFin's alternative data
- Combined financial data with alternative data and fed it into deep learning models (GRU, RNN, LSTM) to predict stock price.

PUBLICATIONS

Educational Data Mining: Daniel D. Leeds, Tianyi Zhang and Gary M. Weiss, Mining Course Groupings using Academic Performance. Proceedings of The 14th International Conference on Educational Data Mining (EDM21), International Educational Data Mining Society, Paris France, June 29-July 2, 804-808.

AWARDS

- National Collegiate Taekwondo Competition: Top 5 at the 2017 National Collegiate Taekwondo Competition; Represented Rutgers Taekwondo Club to take part in the training at West Point Military Academy
- **Deloitte Match Data Crunch Madness Competition:** 4th place out of 100+ teams

SKILLS AND LANGUAGE

- Skills: Python (Pytorch, Tensorflow, Scikit-Learn), SQL, R, Bash, JavaScript, Spark, Hadoop, Latex, Gephi, Tableau,
- Language: Mandarin (Native), English (Fluent)