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## SKILLS

**Programming** Python: Linux - IDE & Virtualenv/Docker, Windows - Anaconda, Java, IDL, Labview

**Machine Learning**

TensorFlow, Keras, Scikit-Learn, Pandas, Lightgbm

**Visualization** Matplotlib, Seaborn; OriginLab

**Database** SQL & MySQL

**Language** Mandarin: Native; English: Fluent

## PROJECTS

Top 16% **Kaggle - iMaterialist Challenge(Fashion) at FGVC5**

Image Classification

- Wrote multi-thread to speed up processing over one million images
- Transfer learning for standard CNNs with Keras
- Applied GrabCut and spectral saliency detection to segment background/foreground for preprocessing

Top 27% **Kaggle - Avito Demand Prediction Challenge**

Demand Predicting

- Data preprocessing with Pandas over one million data
- Utilized LightGBM as fully GPU-based GBDT model
- Tackled the task with iterative process of EDA, using observation from EDA to improve the model

Top 19% **Kaggle - Google AI Open Images - Object Detection Track**

Object Detection

- Handled the currently largest dataset – Open Images Dataset V4
- Packed data into highly efficient TFRecord format
- Employed TensorFlow object detection API to do transfer learning on Faster-RCNN architecture.

Top 21% **Kaggle - RSNA Pneumonia Detection Challenge**

Pneumonia Detection

- Built Unet and Faster-RCNN from scratch with TensorFlow
- Automated training with TensorFlow Estimator API
- Applied data augmentation including half-splitting, rotating, and flipping.

**T-Brain AI- Taiwan ETF Price Prediction**

Time Series Prediction

- Modeled ETF prices with ARIMA
- Experienced random forest classifier with traditional technical indicators like RSI, stochastic oscillator, %R, Chaikin oscillator, CCI .etc as features

## EDUCATION

2016 **M.S. in Physics**, *Department of Physics*, National Taiwan University.

2013 **B.S. in Physics**, *Department of Physics*, National Taiwan University.

**Course Work – Coursera :**

- Algorithms 4E, Robert Sedgewick and Kevin Wayne; Princeton
- Machine Learning Foundations, Hsuan-Tien Lin; NTU
- Machine Learning, Andrew Ng; Stanford
- Introduction to SQL, Charles Severance; Michigan
- SQL for Data Science, Sadie St. Lawrence; UC Davis

## WRITING

M.S. Thesis

**Rheometry on Concentrated Suspension of Soft Particles**  
(In Mandarin) [www.phys.sinica.edu.tw/jctsai/Ray2016/](http://www.phys.sinica.edu.tw/jctsai/Ray2016/)

## OTHER EXPERIENCE

JAN, 18 ; JUL, 18

**Twin Oaks Education**, *Course Design and Project Mentor*, [www.twinoaks-edu.com/](http://www.twinoaks-edu.com/).

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**Substitute Services in Education**, *Xinyi Elementary School*, Hualien, Taiwan.