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EDUCATION

University College London (UCL), London, UK

Sep 2017 – June 2021

MEng Computer Science; Result: First Class Honours

Modules include: Intro to Deep Learning (1st), Statistical NLP(1st), Information Retrieval and Data Mining(1st), Machine Learning for Domain Specialist(1st), Maths and Statistics(1st), Internet of Things(2:1)

Abbey College Cambridge, Cambridge, UK

Sep 2014 – June 2016

A-Levels: Mathematics (A*), Further Mathematics (A), Physics (A)

PROJECTS

Information Retrieval and Ranking with Deep Learning, London, UK

Jan 2021 – Mar 2021

- Developed information retrieval models that return a ranked list of documents relevant to a query.
- Applied text preprocessing and tf-idf weighting to queries and documents and implemented BM25 and a query likelihood language model.
- With pre-trained dense word embeddings, GloVe, implemented ranking models with Logistic Regression, LambdaMart, and Ranknet.
- Used Python pandas, NumPy, nltk, and Tensorflow/Keras on Jupyter Notebook.

Comparative Analysis of News Topic Classification Models, London, UK

Jan 2021 – Mar 2021

- Carried out a comparative analysis of deep learning models: RNN, GRU, LSTM, BiGRU, and fine-tuned BERT for news topic classification task.
- Explored the state-of-the-art pre-trained word embedding, BERT, on news topic classification.
- Trained and tested the models with BBC News dataset using Python Tensorflow/Keras.
- Compared the performance of the models with Accuracy, F1-score, Precision, and Recall metrics.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Data Engineer Intern at Balaan; an E-commerce Start-up, Seoul, Korea

June 2020 - Oct 2020

- Built a data pipeline that collects business data using AWS Cloud services S3 and Athena as a Business Intelligence platform to serve across the firm.
- Automated the ETL process for Google Analytics data.
- Created BI dashboards with AWS Quicksight to show weekly KPIs and achievements for employees and use for the company decision-making.
- Automated the data cleaning, mapping, and processes with the relevant crawling tools and MongoDB.
- Developed a set of utilisation tools to assist the data management, maintenance and crawling.
- Adapted to the company's OKR culture and learned about goal setting and priority.

Cross-department Smart Classroom IoT Project, London, UK

Jan 2020 – April 2020

- Delivered a smart classroom prototype that autonomously controls a classroom environment(temperature, brightness, and humidity) and monitors the room's security.
- Designed and built an Internet of Thing (IoT) system with a CC3200 launchpad and environment sensors.
- Developed a data pipeline with IBM cloud and created a dashboard UI with IBM Node-Red.
- Analysed and visualised the data collected with Python pandas and NumPy.
- Led a team of four; allocated tasks according to one's strengths and capabilities.

Software Development for Author Murray Dance Studio, London, UK

Oct 2018 – April 2019

- Client-based team project; collaborated with Author Murray dance studio and tailored technological and practical services to the client's needs.
- Developed a web application using Node.js(Express framework) with client required functionalities
- Hosted MongoDB database and the application on Microsoft Azure.
- Liaised with clients in different time zones and coped with changing requirements under time pressure.

Private A-levels Physics Tutor, Seoul, Korea

July 2016 – August 2016

- Ran one-to-one teaching sessions 12 hours per week.
- Prepared all the teaching materials and handled admin tasks, for example, renting a classroom.
- Adapted different approaches to improve students' results according to their strengths and weaknesses.

SKILLS

- IT Skills: Python(NumPy, Pandas, Scikit-learn, TensorFlow/Keras), JavaScript, Node.js(Express), AWS (S3, Athena, Quicksight), Azure, IBM Node-RED, MongoDB, SQL, C/C++, Git
- Languages: Korean (native), English (fluent)