Ruby Cheung

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Relevant Work Experience

Institutional Research Analyst

Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Indiana

November 2022 - Present

- Conducted research on registration tracking, retention, and other institutional priorities; completed special assignments from the Dean of the College.
- Coordinated external reporting and managed ad hoc data requests for accreditation, process improvements, and other campus needs using SQL Servers and RStudio.
- Developed an institutional research (IR) handbook to document processes, improve reporting standards, and reduce the time it takes to complete reporting tasks by 20%.
- Designed and built institution-level dashboards and reports with RStudio to support data-driven decision-making.

Graduate Research Assistant

Seattle University, Seattle, Washington

June 2024 – September 2024

- Collaborated with the Math and Biology departments to develop and implement sentiment analysis models.
- Developed and deployed Natural Language Processing (NLP) models to analyze user comments on carnivores.com
- Implemented testing and validation procedures to ensure accurate results, currently at 81% accuracy.

Economic Research Specialist

St. Catherine University, St. Paul, Minnesota

June 2020 - August 2022

- Led economics research teams on projects focused on development economics and labor markets in North Africa and the Middle East.
- Conducted data analysis using hypothesis testing and regression analysis to predict employment rates.
- Developed a GIS-based census map for Sudan and designed Android-based survey instruments using ODK-X with integrated SQLite for data management.

Technical Competencies

- Programming languages: R, Python, Stata, SQL, html, CSS
- Techniques/Methods: Supervised/Unsupervised Learning, Neural Networks, Regression Analysis, Causal Inference, A/B Testing, Time Series Analysis, Sentiment Analysis, Text Classification, Web Scraping
- Technology/Frameworks: RStudio, scikit-learn, TensorFlow, Seaborn, Hadoop, Hive, Spark, MySQL, Tableau, AWS, NoSQL Databases, Selenium, BeautifulSoup, PyTorch, Matplotlib, MongoDB, Keras, Statsmodels, Prophet, SARIMA, ETS

Education

Master of Science in Data Science, Seattle University

Bachelor of Science in Economics, St. Catherine University

May 2025

May 2020

Relevant Projects

Predicting Recidivism Among Georgia Parolees | Python, scikit-learn, SVM, Gradient Boosting

- Utilized data from the Georgia Department of Community Supervision, built a supervised and an unsupervised model to identifying key variables that can help to predict the likelihood of recidivism, producing actionable insight to mitigate risk
- Developed and evaluated Gradient Boosting and Support Vector Machine (SVM) models, achieving a 73.6% accuracy for binary classification and a 72.6% accuracy with linear SVM, with a focus on reducing false positive rates.
- Applied variable importance techniques that identified correlations between continuous employment and low recidivism rates, highlighting the significance of stable employment for reducing reoffending.

CarnivoreSpotter.com Sentiment Analysis | Python, TensorFlow, Keras, TextVectorization, Text Classification

- Processed unstructured data by performing feature preprocessing and vectorization to prepare for analysis.
- Developed an NLP pipeline to perform sentiment analysis on user-submitted comments (81% accuracy).