

### Sameer Shankar

Data Scientist | BSc. Combined Major in Statistics and Economics

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### **Skills**

**Languages:** Python (Numpy, Pandas, Seaborn, Scikit-learn, Tensorflow, PyTorch, Non-conformist), Java, R, MATLAB, SQL, Apache Spark, Django, JSON, Heroku

Web: Canva, Adobe Premiere Pro, Adobe Lightroom, Adobe After Effects

**Competencies:** Data Cleaning, Data Visualization, Decision Trees, Random Forest, SVMs, Ensemble Models, k-means Clustering, Gradient Boosting, Time Series Analysis, Anomaly Detection, Bayesian Statistics, Neural Networks

## **Technical Projects**

#### Machine Learning models to predict building energy consumption

01/22 - 04/22

- Trained ML models including Support Vector Machines, ElasticNet, XGBoost, LGBM Regressor, and Gradient Boost to get a competitive RMSE of 18.501 (Top 30 in Kaggle Leaderboards).
- Incorporated Hyperparameter Tuning, Principal Component Analysis, Correlation Analysis, KNN Imputation and Random Forest
- Used complex Python libraries such as Numpy, Pandas, Seaborn, scikit-learn

#### Regression analysis of crime in Denver neighbourhoods

11/21 - 12/21

- Used statistical concepts such as residual plots to transform variables in order to obtain lower RMSE and AIC values
- Developed model based on Adjusted-R<sup>2</sup> and Mallow's C<sub>p</sub> as metrics, and validated the model using quantile-quantile plot in order to make our findings more robust

#### Visualization of an economic analysis

10/19 - 12/19

• Developed a Python application to visualize the average GDP, and other statistics for different types of Government from a given dataset

# **Experience**

Analyst 06/18 – 07/18

**Grant Thornton LLP** 

- Studied BMI reports in order to understand the macroeconomic landscape of Uganda
- Assisted in project which analyzed if Tata Motors should shift operations from Uganda to Kenya

## Leadership / Volunteering

### Greenbridge School of Open Technologies - Student

06/18 - 07/18

- Python Certification
- Java Certification

#### **Uganda Model United Nations** - Delegate

12/18

Best Delegate Award