## What Job Is This Anyway?

Using LLMs to Classify USAJobs Data Scientist Listings

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## **Solution: Text Classification**

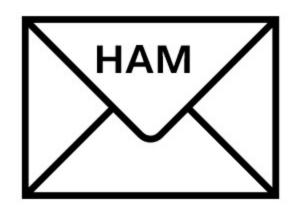
- 1. We can use LLMs.
- 2. This can help job seekers....
- 3. ..and enable internal government analysis and changes.

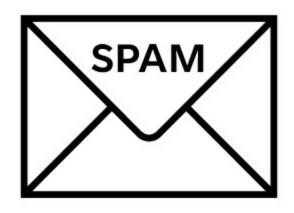


ChatGPT, can you just show me the actual data scientist job postings?



## A detour to discuss classification problems



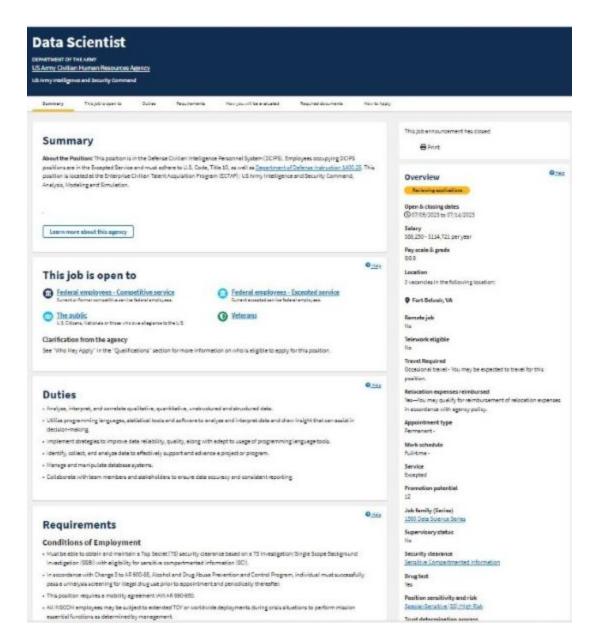


# Assessing classification problems

#### **Confusion Matrix**

	Predicted Not Spam	Predicted Spam
Actual Not Spam	479	27
Actual Spam	24	470

## **Back to USAJobs Listings**



## **Example 'Duties' Text**

#### **Duties**

- Work in multiple database environments using variety of programming languages. Recommend improvements. Maintain and review codebase. Collaborate with vendors, clients, and analysts.
- Assess, plan, and maintain data optimized for business and security requirements. Assess requirements and apply relevant techniques to create robust architectures. Maintain databases to prevent disruptions.
- Maintain data sources to extract, transform, and load data from any data source. Construct pipelines
  that support data mining and data science projects. Optimize large-scale processing systems for
  performance and scalability.
- Identify opportunities for enhance business and security requirements. Design and implement
  processes that improve quality, automate tasks and develop standard practices. Identify performance
  issues.
- Improve the OIG?s use of data and analysis. Investigate new technologies and practices where relevant. Dive into data and pinpoint tasks to eliminate manual participation with automation using Cloudera NiFi.
- Recommend new software solutions. Apply a variety of programming languages to meet software and business needs. Understand data warehousing platforms, big data software, and project management applications.

## This position is officially titled "Data Scientist"

- My model accurately identified it "Data Engineer"
- Also, this position is misclassified!
- This is the kind of analysis we can do with this model

We can't overcome text ambiguity problems with LLMs. If the information isn't there, it's not there.

## I'm not going to say who did this



## **Duties**

- Collect and analyze data from a wide variety of sources.
- Produce and evaluate statistical data for quality and consistency.
- Communicate economic and statistical information in writing and in person.

## My MVP Project Workflow

- 1. Pulled ~850 1560 Data Scientist job listings.
- 2. Dropped those with no duty list via length/keyword filter.
- 3. Used the Marvin library to get structured output from GPT 3.5 for several problems, including the multi-class classification problem.
- 4. Ad hoc analysis, iteration

## The only (Python) code you need

Or why you should use Marvin (even if you're working in R)

```
from marvin import ai_fn

@ai_fn
def generate_job_title(duties: str) -> str:
    """Given `duties`, generates a specific job title based on the content,
    not based on any titles contained in the text."""

class JobAnalyzer:
    def __init__(self, duties: str):
        self.duties = duties
        self.job_title = generate_job_title(self.duties)
```

## What can we actually get from this?

- A view of the variety of different roles that are under 1560
- A prototype job labeling system for applicants
- A way to highlight jobs that might be mislabeled, challenging to hire for, or misclassified
- A variable that might be predictive for research and analysis

This is not the one "true" label 1



## What Did We Get?

- 1. Overall differences in top titles
- 2. Job titles that never appear in the official title field
- 3. Spot checks

#### Comparing Top 10 Job Titles -- LLM vs. Official

LLM-Generated Titles

#### **Data Scientist**

#### Data Analyst

Senior Data Scientist

**Data Analytics Specialist** 

Data Science Analyst

**Data Science Specialist** 

Supervisory Data Scientist

Chief Data Scientist

Chief Data Officer

**Data Science Manager** 

# Data Scientist

Interdisciplinary

Supervisory Data Scientist

Engineer/Scientist

Health Scientist (Data Science)/Physical Scientist (Data Science)/Data Scientist

Supervisory Interdisciplinary

Manager

Interdisciplinary Health Scientist (Data Science)/Physical Scientist (Data Science)/Data Scientist

Interdisciplinary Data Scientist

Lead Data Scientist

## **New Job Titles**

Some of these are descriptive \*\*\*



# **Examples of big title discrepencies**

#### **Generated Title: Data Analyst**

#### **Data Scientist**



#### **Duties**

- Develops standards for analyzing, testing, and assessing emerging data analytics technologies and methods.
- Works with large and complex data sets and performing extensive analysis of volumes of data through macros, pivot tables, etc.
- · Designs and delivers frameworks to facilitate the data development lifecycle.
- Designs innovative approaches to complex data analytics projects utilizing various mathematical, statistical and other scientific methodologies, programs, processes, and methods.
- · Develops standards for analyzing, testing, and assessing emerging data analytics technologies.
- Provides information regarding data analytics projects, studies, solutions, technologies, deliverables and challenges to Senior Leadership and Technical Organizations.

## Generated Title: Technical Program Manager

#### **Data Scientist**



#### **Duties**

- Provide technical leadership to a highly technical professional staff, supported by policy and data analytic experience.
- Conduct special assignments involving sensitive and/or confidential technical program related issues that have significant impact on models, initiatives, and CMS programs.
- Report orally or prepares written/visual reports of findings, actions taken, or recommendations for the Division Director?s attention.
- Participate in, and makes substantive contributions to top level discussions and planning sessions on management program policy development

What's better than ad hoc assessment?

🥦 Systematic assessment! 🎉

## I tried a lot of other things, too

- Named entity recognition for finding tools and software \$\pi\$
- Grouping by category (Bl intelligence, management, etc.)
- Comparing actual titles and generated titles

#### What's next?

- If you're a federal job seeker or researcher/analyst, let's talk!
- If you have a text classification problem you might like LLMs (and Marvin)