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Education

- *PhD Physics*, Simon Fraser University, Canada (September 2017 April 2022)
- *MSc Physics*, University of Toronto, Canada (2016 2017)
- *BSc Physics*, University of British Columbia, Canada (2011 2016)

Skills

- *Programming/Frameworks*: Python (pandas, SciPy, Matplotlib, TensorFlow, Dash / Plotly, scikit-learn), SQL, Jupyter Notebook, PostgreSQL
- Cloud/Tools: Google Cloud Platform (GCP), BigQuery, Cloud Run, Cloud Composer, Cloud SQL, Vertex AI, AWS (Lambda, EC2, ECS, ECR), Apache Airflow, Docker, Git (GitHub, GitLab), CI/CD pipelines, Tableau, Power BI, Excel, LaTeX, OpenAI API
- *Quantitative*: Machine learning, regression, exploratory data analysis, statistical analysis, modelling, interpretation, and visualization of large datasets, digital signal processing, sentiment analysis, business analytics, forecasting, time series, web-scraping, dashboards and web design, natural language processing (NLP), A/B testing, LLMs
- *Other*: Excellent written, verbal communication and interpersonal/social skills. Great team player with a paralleled ability to work independently and resourcefully. Excellent liaison with business and sales

Experience

- Associate Data Scientist, May 2022 December 2024
 Euromonitor International, Chicago, IL, USA
- · Communicated results of statistical data analysis and reports to business and stakeholders,
- Communicated quantitative principles in an easy-to-understand and gentle manner to clients and sales,
- · Worked closely with sales and business to develop dashboards for ecommerce data,
- Trained, tested, monitored, and built complex machine learning models (NER & logistic regression) used to predict product attributes based on textual information (NLP) scraped from retailer websites,
- Discovered and implemented new datasets (tens of GBs) to train and improve otherwise stagnant model performance metrics (precision/recall) by > 10%,
- Built internal web application using Python (Dash) that allows TBs of data stored on PostgreSQL to be labeled using an intuitive web interface/dashboard. Deployed to Google Cloud Run via Docker.
- · In charge of high value client project involving TBs of scraped data and predictions to provide insight into the unit price and "digital" share-of-shelf of products over the past 5 years for various countries, retailers, and product categories. Sophisticated interpolation, outlier detection, smoothing algorithms and other statistical methods were implemented using BigQuery.
- Developed and scaled a fully featured internal application (using Python / Dash) with an intuitive UI which includes interactions with a custom database (BigQuery and PostgreSQL), providing users with detailed statistical analysis and insights on various products. Created data pipelines using Airflow.
- *PhD Researcher*, September 2017 April 2022

Department of Physics, Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, Canada

- · Uncovered the magnetic properties of superconducting cuprates and other quantum materials using muon spin relaxation spectroscopy (a technique closely related to magnetic resonance imaging [MRIs!]),
- · Analysis, fitting, statistical and computational modelling, visualization, simulation, regression, presentation of data. Building Python software to perform statistical analysis and regression,
- · Co-supervised undergraduate student projects, gave award winning talks and conferences
- *MSc Researcher*, 2016 2017

Department of Physics/Chemistry, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada

- Designed, manufactured, and characterized nanotechnology-based materials (transport measurements in gold nanoparticle films),
- Developed a Python program that analysed, fit (chi-squared regression) and classified hundreds of data files to generate a visual summary of nanotechnology-based materials phase diagrams.

Interesting Personal Projects

- <u>1-800 Slowed & Reverb</u>: A moody music processing web application written in Python. Completely written and designed and deployed from scratch!
- Musical Horoscope: A personalized horoscope generator based on what you listen to on Spotify!

Languages: English (native), Farsi/Persian (native), French (basic)