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EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Master of Science in Air Transportation
Feb 2016 | Cambridge, MA

University of Notre Dame
Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Engineering
May 2014 | Notre Dame, IN
GPA: 3.88/4.0
Dean's List: All semesters
Engineering Honors Program

PUBLIC WORK

-**Evaluating NBA end-of-game decision-making**, *Journal of Sports Analytics*, 2019
-**py_ball** Python API wrapper for stats.nba.com with a focus on NBA and WNBA applications

SKILLS

-Advanced Probability and Statistics
-Data Mining
-Machine Learning
-Natural Language Processing
-Optimization
-Statistical Modeling
-Stochastic Processes
-Python
—> **Data Science**: pandas, numpy, scikit-learn, statsmodels
—> **Data Visualization**: Plotly, Matplotlib, Plotnine
—> **Deep Learning**: TensorFlow, Keras, PyTorch, OpenCV, spaCy, NLTK
—> **App Development**: Flask, Dash
—> **MLOps**: MLFlow, PyCaret
-R
-SQL
-Google Cloud Platform, BigQuery
-Apache Airflow
-Docker
-GitHub, GitHub Actions

EXPERIENCE

Philadelphia Phillies
Director, Predictive Modeling
November 2023 - Present
Assistant Director, Baseball Research & Development
January 2022 - November 2023

   -Directing the development and construction of the organization's forecasts of player performance by a team of ten data scientists.
   -Integrating player performance forecasts into the club's decision-making processes to provide Baseball Operations with unbiased and data-driven guidance.
   -Overseeing a technical recruitment process to ensure a sustainable, diverse hiring pipeline of data scientists for all levels of experience.
   -Constructing a technical development program for data scientists to provide opportunities for advancement by identifying areas for improvement and growth.

Lead Quantitative Analyst - Player Evaluation
January 2020 - January 2022

   -Leveraged player tracking, performance, and scouting data to build, maintain, and monitor predictive models to forecast future player performance for amateurs and professionals throughout the world.
   -Consulted on potential player acquisitions for the entirety of the baseball calendar.
   -Directed and managed the work of several analysts in support of player evaluation efforts.

Quantitative Analyst
January 2018 - January 2020

   -Developed machine learning models to inform all aspects of baseball operations, including defensive positioning and defensive evaluation.
   -Worked closely with stakeholders on implementation of research, models, and findings from the Baseball Research & Development department.

Bloomberg LP - *Data Engineer*
January 2017 - October 2017

The MITRE Corporation - *Senior Systems Engineer*
February 2016 - December 2016