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#### **EDUCATION**

## University of California, San Diego

Sept 2019 – June 2023

Data Science, B.S.

#### EXPERIENCE

### **Business Analyst Intern**

June 2022 – Aug. 2022

Aliso Viejo, CA

Avanir Pharmaceuticals

- Extracted from Microsoft SQL database and Snowflake cloud data warehouse with SQL.
- Transformed, cleaned the extracted SQL data with Pandas, NumPy for feature engineering, data analysis. Developed and trained machine learning models for predicting client engagement and sales at 78% test accuracy with Sklearn Pipelines. Ranked crucial business factors with SHAP feature selection and statistical testing
- Developed **GIS Python** scripts with **Geopandas** to generate data for animated, interactive **Tableau** map dashboards on region-wise business growth of sales rep territories. Presented my maps to the parent company as consulting data visualizations. Communicated my findings and recommendations to stakeholders and executives

#### PROJECTS

Industry Capstone Project | GeoPandas, Sklearn, ETL, Webscraping, Git, Docker Fall 2022 - Winter 2023

- Worked in 6-month industry research project for shipping company. Developed final prediction models with 88% and 67% test accuracies that reduced costs by 9%. Showcased project to faculty and industry professionals, and authored in its research paper for company's own use.
- Procured project's geo-data and scripted its **ETL** with Socrata API, webscraping, and **GeoPandas** . Produced useful maps (i.e. delivery networks) that uncovered geographic business patterns with **clustering** methods.
- Rigorously improved ML model's accuracy from 57% to 67% through cyclical feature engineering and messy data wrangling (e.g. sample weighting). Saved time by **automating** this iterative analysis into an end-to-end workflow python script -with ETL, **model re-training** of Sklearn pipelines, and updating of project website's github repository with generated plots and metrics auto-recorded by python logging. **Dockerized** to be reproducible.

### Data Engineering Sentiment Analysis on Review Text | PuSpark, Dask, NLP

Winter 2021

• Conducted data analysis and **NLP** feature engineering on **20 GB+** Amazon review text-data with **Dask**, to train ML regression model for predicting customer satisfaction with **PySpark**.

Restaurant Recommendation | Recommender Systems, NLP, Unsupervised ML, Deep Learning

Winter 2023

- Built ML model on restaurant review data to predict user-restaurant recommendations with 73% test accuracy
- Performed feature engineering for review data by preprocessing review text with NLP (TF-IDF, custom-trained Word2Vec), and extracting text from review images with image-labelling neural network
- Used **Unsupervised ML** clustering to automate customer segmentation, dividing reviewers into usefully distinct, "food-lover" sub-groups based on their review's food-related keywords

#### NYC Traffic Prediction | ArcGIS, GeoPandas, Flask, Leaflet.js, Sklearn

Fall 2021 – Summer 2022

- Built a Python Flask app predicting NYC street traffic with 83% test accuracy with Sklearn Logistic Regression and GeoPandas for feature engineering, using clickable street map and clock input with leaflet.js for front-end GIS
- Authored a Kaggle tutorial on replicating the project using ArcGIS and NYC government geo-data, with matplotlib data visualizations and ANOVA hypothesis testing.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

Python: Pandas, NumPy, Sklearn, Geopandas, Keras, Tensorflow, PyTorch, PySpark, Dask, Flask

SQL, NoSQL: Snowflake Data Warehouse, Microsoft SQL, PostGreSQL, MySQL, DuckDB, SQLite, Neo4J

Data Visualization: Tableau, D3.js, Matplotlib, Seaborn

HTML: CSS, JavaScript, Leaflet.js, BeautifulSoup, Selenium, Webscraping

Others: ArcGIS, QGIS, Git, Docker, R, Java, Microsoft Excel