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## **EDUCATION**

New York University, New York, NY

05/2018

M.S. in Data Science

(Introduction to Data Science, Programing for Data Science, Statistical and Mathematical methods, Machine Learning, Big Data, Deep Learning (Yann LeCun))

Shandong University, Jinan, Shandong, China

06/2016

B.S. in Software Engineering

GPA: 3.83/4.0 (Major)

B.S. in Accounting

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, Java, C/C++, C#, HTML, CSS, Javascript, R.

Operating Systems: Linux, Windows, OX.

Software: Jupyter Notebook, Hadoop, MapReduce, Spark, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Matlab, Microsoft Visual Studio, Eclipse, Latex, Python Notebook, Oracle Database, MySQL, SQL Server, Excel, Microsoft Office series.

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

Machine Learning Intern, Centiment.io, New York

02/2017 - Present

- Worked on machine learning and deep learning algorithm to evaluate the viability of films' content over 27 data sources including IMDB, rotten tomatoes, etc.
- Used advanced machine learning such as random forest tree and the support vector machine to organize, interpret, and use this data in the forecasting of how content will perform.

Data Analyst Intern, Change The Present.org, New York

12/2016 - 02/2017

- Gathered data from the organization's web content and used quantitative and qualitative research methods to analyze data.
- Researched original web source code to resolve a logo presentation problem.

Software Engineer Summer Intern, Beijing Runtime Corp., Ltd, Beijing, China

08/2015-10/2015

- Coded automatic tests in Java and applied them to test the telecommunication database system to ensure system's reliability and stability.
- Developed a web scraping application for information extraction from social media sites and normalized scrapped unstructured data into structure database to help project managers make better business decisions.

Finance Intern, Jin Shang Commercial Bank, Taiyuan, China

07/2014-09/2014

• Wrote financial reports on 20 companies and summarized their marketing activities for daily briefings to help leaders make strategic decisions on their investment.

## RESEARCH AND PROJECTS

Image Captioning, New York University, New York

01/2017-present

- Built an attention based model that automatically learns to describe the content of images on MSCOCO.
- Used a convolutional neural network to extract a set of features vectors referring to as annotation vectors.
- Implemented LSTM to produce captions by generating a word at every time step.
- Compared the performance of hard attention and soft attention based on BLEU.

Yelp Data Analysis, New York University, New York

10/2016-12/2016

- Extracted useful information from yelp's reviews using scikit-learn package; performed feature selection on yelp data sets with business sense by comparing mutual information.
- Used GridSearchCV to get the best configuration for selected models; Compared the AUC of models to select the best model.
- Performed model evaluation using AUC.
- Improve 6% on accuracy in predicting which reviews are more likely to be thought useful.

NYC Vehicle Collision Analysis, New York University, New York

10/2016-12/2016

• Coded a program visualizing essential information of vehicle collision in NYC over the last year and explored the weather features in conjunction with vehicle collision data.

Graduation Project, Shandong University, Jinan, China

12/2015-06/2016

- Coded adaptive image enhancement algorithm (C++) and enhanced inputed fingerprint images quality.
- Optimized GLCM (Gray Level Co-occurrence Matrix) and led to a 25% time's saving in segmenting fingerprint images.