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I am a data scientist, passionate about machine learning, network analysis, natural language processing, and geospatial data.

I have a keen interest in data visualization and its role in communicating insights effectively.



EXPERIENCE —

 $\textbf{Research Assistant, Data Science} \quad \textit{University of Copenhagen, Denmark}$

May 2024 - present

- \hookrightarrow Prof. Jeanet Bentzen
- Contributed to the Shocking Religion project on religion's economic impact.
- Built topic models to uncover thematic trends in text data.
- Created RAG-based LLM pipelines for document insights.
- Designed and containerized scalable data workflows; Handled large-scale data ingestion and preprocessing; Deployed solutions on cloud infrastructure (UCloud).
- Coordinated with a multidisciplinary research team.

Data Scientist Above Sports, Denmark

October 2023 - May 2024

- Automated data workflows to improve efficiency.
- Developed CV models for brand logo detection.
- Worked with product teams to refine output quality.
- Dockerized solutions for scalable and reproductible data workflows.

Marketing Strategist Crescendo Collective, United States

September 2021 - May 2022

- Analyzed campaign data via Google Analytics; Managed Google Ads reporting and strategy.
- Automated internal reporting with Python scripts.
- Conducted competitor analysis and benchmarks.
- Collaborated with data team for audience insights; Presented reports to stakeholders and clients.

EDUCATION –

M.Sc. Social Data Science

2022 - 2024

University of Copenhagen, Denmark

Thesis: Mobility and income segregation in Madrid, Spain.

Elective Courses:

Advanced Machine Learning for Data Science (IT University of Copenhagen)

Geospatial Data Science (IT University of Copenhagen)

Advanced Network Science (IT University of Copenhagen)

 ${\bf Natural\ Language\ Processing\ (Department\ of\ Computer\ Science,\ DIKU)}$

B.Sc. Marketing, Computer Science Minor

2018 - 2022

 ${\bf Cardinal\ Stritch\ University,\ United\ States}$

Honours: Dean's List (2018–2022), Best Graduating GPA of Marketing B.Sc. (2022)

LANGUAGES ———

Spanish: Native

English: Professional Proficiency

Galician: Native Portuguese: Beginner

SKILLS —

Programming: Python (numpy, tensorflow, matplotlib, pytorch), SQL, Bash

ML & NLP: Transformers, Topic Modeling (umap, hdbscan, bertopic), Scikit-learn, Hugging Face

Geospatial: Geopandas, Rasterio, QGIS

Cloud / Tools: UCloud, Git, Docker, Linux, VSCode

AWARDS -

Dean's List
Achieved Dean's List every semester of B.Sc. for a GPA above 3.5 with at least 12 credits.

Best Graduating GPA of Marketing B.Sc.
Graduated with the highest GPA in Marketing of class 2022.

Academic and Athletic Grant
Received a full scholarship for academic excellence and soccer performance over four years.