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Summary

Actively seeking opportunities in **DA**, **DS**, and **MLE**. I bring proficiency in **Python**, **R**, **SQL**, advanced **statistics**, and **machine learning**. I offer a proven background in **data analysis** and **visualization**, with experiences including **CNN**-based mushroom classification, housing price prediction via **GLM**, and the creation of key metrics dashboards using **SQL** and **BI** tools.

Education

University of California, Davis • College of Letters and Science   09/2021 – 06/2023
Master of Science • Statistics

University of California, Davis • College of Letters and Science   09/2017 – 06/2021
Bachelor of Science • Statistics | Economics

- **Relevant Coursework:** Advance Statistical Computing, Algorithm Design & Analysis, Econometrics, Optimization of Big Data Analytics, Statistical Machine Learning I, Statistical Methods of Machine Learning, Time Series Analysis, Probability Theory.

Skills & Tools

- **Programming Skills: (5+ yoe)** Proficient in SQL, Python (Pandas, Scikit-learn, TensorFlow), R
- **Data Science Tools:** Github, Google Cloud Platform (GCP), Google Analytics, Selenium, Tableau, LaTeX, AWS, Power BI

Work Experience

Data Analyst Intern – Education Services Organization   06/2022 – 08/2022
Allschool Inc., Remote

- Utilized **Google Analytics** for a data-driven analysis of regional and platform-specific user traffic and revenue, leading to optimized impressions targeting and increased customer engagement.
- Leveraged **Python** and **Selenium** package to design a real-time web scraper, providing centralized class schedules and **accelerating the selection process by 50%**.
- Employed **SQL** and **BI tools** to evaluate user behavior across multiple advertising channels, informing strategic decision-making and resulting in a **15% reduction** in project budget and an increase in daily active users.
- Contributed to the development of a key metrics dashboard highlighting active users, daily traffic, and revenue, thereby improving business visibility and supporting data-driven decision making.

Research Assistant – Academic Research   07/2020 – 09/2020
UC Davis Department of Economics, Davis, CA

- Utilized **generalized linear model (GLM)** and **Logistic Regression** to analyze behavioral trends in procrastination and present-biased behavior in a study in collaboration with Professor Anujit Chakraborty.
- Enhanced the reliability of study results by employing **Bootstrapping** resampling techniques to expand the sample size to approximately **20,000 data points**.
- Improved prediction accuracy of procrastination behavior within the test dataset by addressing multicollinearity among predictor variables using **Lasso Regression**.
- Facilitated industry application by uncovering procrastination patterns, offering insights for tech companies to develop user-centric products and services, potentially enhancing user satisfaction, retention, and success.

Data Analyst Intern – Technology Consulting   06/2019 – 09/2019
Launchpad Project Management, Davis, CA

- Utilized **R** and **SQL** for comprehensive market analysis and database management across multiple portfolios, enabling the development of a predictive model for real estate investment strategies.
- Applied machine learning algorithms and statistical methods like generalized linear regression and logistic regression to analyze survey data, extracting critical insights, which led to an estimated **10% increase** in investment returns.
- Employed advanced data visualization tools like **Tableau** to present data analysis results, facilitating strategic decision-making and enhancing team understanding.

Projects

Impacts of Vaccination Policy on COVID-19 Cases (R)   UC Davis - STA 237A Time Series Analysis

- Teamed up to investigate the impact of government vaccination policies on COVID-19 cases across selected countries using **ARIMA** and **ARIMAX** time series models.
- Managed data preparation processes involving merging tables, data filtering, and the creation of a "weekly contrast" variable using "Our World in Data".
- Leveraged **data visualization in R** to effectively communicate findings and performed inferential analysis on model predictions, contributing to a broader understanding of policy effectiveness.

Classification of Mushrooms: Edible or Poisonous (Python)   UC Davis - STA 221 Advanced Statistical Computing

- Collaborated on a team project developing machine learning and deep learning models, including **Random Forest**, **Kernel SVM**, and **Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN)** to classify mushroom images into edible or poisonous.
- Applied advanced techniques such as **grid search** for hyperparameter tuning and transfer learning using pre-trained **ResNet50** model to improve the efficiency and accuracy of the classification models.
- Critically evaluated model performance, suggesting potential enhancements through the exploration of alternative pre-trained models or architectural adjustments.