

# Cameron Porteous Data Scientist

📍 Toronto, ON, Canada    ✉ cjporteo@gmail.com    ☎ 226-600-8775    in linkedin.com/in/cjporteo

🐙 github.com/cjporteo    M medium.com/@cjporteo    🏠 leetcode.com/cjporteo

## Languages & Aptitudes

**Python** (Pandas, NumPy, scikit-learn, Keras, TensorFlow, Flask, Matplotlib, Plotly) • **SQL** • **Jupyter** • **MLFlow**  
**Linux Shell** • **Web Scraping** (BeautifulSoup, Selenium) • **Tableau** • **Git** • **Google Cloud Platform** • **Docker**

## Technical Skills

**Regression** (Linear, Lasso, Ridge, Elastic Net, SVR) • **Classification** (Logistic, K-NN, SVM, XGBoost)  
**Clustering** (K-Means) • **NLP** • **Deep Learning** (CNN, RNN, LSTM) • **Hyperparameter Tuning**  
**Model Interpretation** (SHAP Analysis, Partial Dependency) • **MLOps**

## Professional Experience

03/2022 – present  
Toronto, ON

### Data Scientist, Aviva Canada Inc. [🔗](#)

- Built personal auto loss-cost pricing model using XGBoost and pyGAM to be deployed in the province of Quebec, responsible for pricing over \$85M in annual premium
- Developed end-to-end customer LTV (lifetime value) pipeline for Ontario personal property insurance products, projecting LTV for active policies and incoming quotes
- Engineered performant data pipelines in Python using Luigi to manage data preprocessing workflows (merging, imputation, feature engineering, etc.)
- Designed and conducted A/B experiments to determine customer price elasticity across different segments, improving the overall sophistication of price optimization strategy

02/2021 – 03/2022  
Toronto, ON

### Statistical Analyst, Aviva Canada Inc. [🔗](#)

- Developed Python-based ML solutions for use in territorial risk segmentation, quote conversion, and customer churn modelling
- Worked heavily with gradient boosted tree models, including feature engineering, feature selection, interaction discovery, hyperparameter tuning, and model evaluation
- Produced analytic data visualizations for key stakeholders using tools including Kepler, Plotly, Matplotlib, and Seaborn

07/2019 – 10/2020  
Kitchener, ON

### Data Analyst, PWO Canada Inc. [🔗](#)

- Engineered ETL data pipelines using Pandas to process data for downstream analysis and visualization in Tableau; led to immediate monthly profit increase of \$110K
- Automated report generation using Python/SQL data aggregation scripts, vastly improving productivity within the controlling department

## Education

2022 – 2024  
Atlanta, GA

**Georgia Institute of Technology, Master of Science: Computer Science** [🔗](#)  
Specialization in Machine Learning

09/2014 – 04/2019  
Waterloo, ON

**University of Waterloo, Bachelor of Mathematics: Statistics; Actuarial Science** [🔗](#)  
Double Major; Specialization in Finance

## Machine Learning Projects

2020

### NBA All-Star Predictor, (Python, Pandas, XGBoost, SHAP) [🔗](#)

- Applied gradient boosted tree models to custom web-scraped NBA datasets, classifying NBA All-Stars with an F1 Score of 81.2%
- Leveraged SHAP analysis and partial dependency contour plots to uncover key insights
- Published on Towards Data Science (Medium publication) as a two-part series [🔗](#)

2020

### @thoughtfulAi, (Python, SQLite, GPT-2, TensorFlow, Transfer Learning, GCP) [🔗](#)

- Generates inspirational quotes using a transformer-based language model (GPT-2) and posts them to Twitter; deployed on GCP Compute Engine [🔗](#)
- Model has been adapted and finetuned to a custom web-scraped dataset