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## Languages & Aptitudes

Python (Pandas, NumPy, Keras, TensorFlow, Flask, Matplotlib, Seaborn) • R • SQL • Jupyter

Web Scraping (BeautifulSoup, Selenium) • Linux Shell • Tableau • HTML • CSS • Git • GCP • Docker

# **Technical Skills**

Regression (Linear, Lasso, Ridge, Elastic Net, SVR) • Classification (Logistic, K-NN, SVM, Naive Bayes, RF, XGBoost)

Clustering (K-Means) • Deep Learning (CNN, RNN, LSTM, GPT-2) • Monte Carlo Simulation

**Hyperparameter Optimization** • **Model Interpretation** (SHAP Analysis, Partial Dependency)

## **Professional Experience**

07/2019 – present Kitchener, ON

## Data Analyst, PWO Canada Inc. 🛮

- Developed small-scale Python ETL utilities to wrangle data for downstream analysis and visualization
- Created comprehensive and intuitive BI dashboards using Tableau and presented key insights to production managers
- Increased monthly profit by \$110,000 immediately after providing welding specialists with data visualization tools to track KPI's and identify steel defect patterns
- Generated short-term and long-term forecasts for shop-floor employee demand levels based on future shop orders
- Implemented data aggregation scripts to generate dynamic financial reports from a transaction database, vastly improving productivity within the controlling department

#### Education

09/2014 – 04/2019 Waterloo, ON University of Waterloo,

Bachelor of Mathematics: Statistics, Actuarial Science (Finance Option)

# **Machine Learning Projects**

01/2020

## NBA All-Star Predictor

- Applied gradient boosted tree models to web-scraped NBA datasets, classifying NBA All-Stars with an F1 Score of 81.2%
- Correctly predicted 22/24 players for the 2020 NBA All-Star Game
- Published in Towards Data Science (Medium publication) as a two-part series 🗷

05/2020

## S&P 500 Deep Learning Price Action Classifier 2

- Investigated potential predictive factors for one-day price movements of the SPX market index, including technical dark pool indicators and CBOE options data
- Constructed an LSTM recurrent neural network in Keras to classify buy/sell/hold signals with validation accuracy of 45-50%

04/2020

#### @thoughtfulAi 🛮

- $\bullet$  Generates inspirational quotes using a transformer-based language model (GPT-2) and posts them to Twitter  ${\bf \square}$
- Model has been adapted and finetuned to a custom dataset containing over 3000 highquality quotes from various authors
- Deployed on GCP Compute Engine; creates a new post every 8 hours, complete with a high-res backdrop using the Unsplash API

## **Competitive Programming**

## Current LeetCode Contest Rating: 1856, Top 4% Globally

- Authored detailed solution articles for various algorithmic programming problems, totalling over 300 upvotes 🗷
- Started coding-related YouTube channel 🛮 to share and thoroughly explain thought process for different questions