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EDUCATION

Duke University/Duke Kunshan University, B.S. in Data Science & B.S. in Interdisciplinary Studies

Durham, NC + Kunshan, China

- GPA: 3.7/4.0.
- Dual-degree, Full Scholarship, and Dean's list (2019, 2020).
- Coursework: Data Structures and Algorithms, Data Analysis, Data Visualization, Economics, Econometrics, and Machine Learning.

EXPERIENCE

Amazon May 2022 — Aug 2022

Software Developer Engineer Intern

Seattle, WA

GitHub: cs582

- Developed a web application for AWS Lambda customers that helped to increase availability by 5% (Python).
- Handled 10PB+ of data for customer segmentation and created user profiles (SQL, Numpy and Pandas).
- Designed a ML pipeline using time-series to identify low availability customers with a 97% accuracy (Scikit-learn).
- Built and deployed a data analysis package that saved engineers +100 hours/week (EC2, Docker, S3, and Lambda).
- Worked in a Science Research team and wrote research and technical papers for engineers, scientists, and AWS stakeholders.

Sanford School of Public Policy at Duke University

Jan 2022 — May 2022

Data Analysis Research Assistant

Durham, NC

- Gathered and cleaned US Census and survey data to design social policies that improved accessibility to non-English speakers.
- Compiled more than 15,000,000 data-points in a database (R).
- Produced info-graphics and dashboards to convey information to the general public.

Data Science Research Center at Duke Kunshan University

May 2021 — May 2022

Data Science Research Assistant

Shanghai, China

- Prepared financial data from the S&P 500 for algorithmic trading (NumPy and Pandas) and achieved 22% return of investment.
- Assessed Reinforcement Learning and Supervised Learning algorithms for time-series forecasting (PyTorch and Scikit-learn).
- Evaluated different approaches to pairs trading and optimized pairs trading selection by more than 50%.

Duke Department of Physics

Dec 2020 — May 2021

Software Engineer

Durham, NC

- Built an image reconstruction and pattern recognition algorithm to detect Dark Matter particles 1000 times faster.
- Implemented ML algorithms into integrated circuits (FPGAs) to improve the performance of Large Hadron Collider.

PROJECTS

Real-Time Semantic Segmentation for Autonomous Vehicles

Jan 2022 — May 2022

Duke Kunshan University

Kunshan, China

- Led research to improve Semantic Segmentation algorithms that optimized the trade-off between accuracy and efficiency.
- Implemented contemporary Machine Learning models in Python (ICNet, BiSeNet, DDRNet, and DFANet).
- Conducted testing on Cityscapes (dataset) and achieved over 65% accuracy and less than 200 ms running time on each model.

Airbnb Customer Segmentation

May 2020 — July 2020

Duke Kunshan University

Kunshan, China

- Created 3D charts and graphs that facilitated the interpretation of different groups of suspicious users potentially running hotels.
- Enhanced the data segmentation process by applying dimensionality reduction (SVD) which reduced running time in 10%.

Skills

Programming Languages

Python, Java, C/C++, R, and SQL

Technologies

EC2, ECR, Docker, Lambda, S3, Git, and LaTeX

Quantitative Research Data Science Libraries Analysis Software ETL, Data Visualization, Clustering, Regression, Statistics, and Time Series NumPy, SciPy, Pandas, Scikit-learn, PyTorch, Matplotlib, Seaborn, and Ggplot

QuickSight, Tableau, OpenRefine, and Microsoft Excel

Languages English (Fluent), Spanish (Native), and Chinese (Intermediate)

ACHIEVEMENTS

- National Finalist at the Alibaba GET Challenge (top 12 out of 250+ teams).
- Professional Certificate on AI Engineering by IBM.