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Education.

Carnegie Mellon University

Aug 2020 - Dec 2021

MS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

- Concentration: Applied Machine Learning; CQPA: 3.68/4.0
- Graduate Teaching Assistant for two graduate level machine Learning courses: 18-751 and 18-661

University of Ibadan

Jun 2014 - May 2019

BSc, INDUSTRIAL AND PRODUCTION ENGINEERING

Professional Experience_

Koa Technology, Nairobi, Kenya (Fintech Start-up)

Sep 2021 - Jan 2022

DATA SCIENTIST

- Work with the operations team to provide insight from the data produced by all departments and foster growth in the company
- Maintain and update back-end queries to constantly meet business needs in terms of the data pulled out
- Created over 90% of the data engineering processes as well as the various reporting and visualizations used by the various departments in the daily running of the company

TFE Energy, Cape-Town South Africa

MACHINE LEARNING CONSUTANT

- Utilized Machine learning to build a yield prediction algorithm for mini-grid connections in rural Africa
- Evaluated the possibility of data-backed refinancing for mini-grid connections by combining clustering, and classification algorithms
- Worked extensively with geospatial data to understand how development affects electricity access and consumption in rural villages.

Koa Technology, Nairobi, Kenya (Fintech Start-up)

BI DEVELOPER & DATA ANALYST (Internship)

- Achieved 2,650% increase in active savers within 3-months from launch by pioneering data-driven initiatives on customer acquisition and retention.
- Built data pipelines and visualization tools from ground-up that provided 100% visibility into KPIs across the entire company

Schlumberger Oilfield Services, Port-Harcourt, Nigeria

Aug 2017 - Feb 2018

WELL SERVICES MAINTENANCE ENGINEER (Internship)

- Deployed GPS trackers and Maintenance Information Systems on over 200 oilfield assets (covering about 60% of the project, within a month) for better asset and maintenance management as part of the Global Traceability Project
- Maintained and certified pressure control equipment such as treating lines and valves to provide up to 99.99% availability on the field
- Conducted routine maintenance on oilfield equipment, i.e., pumps, engines, mixers, etc. that ensured downtime was near 0 hours.

Projects .

- Extreme Multi-Domain, Multi-Task Learning with Unified Text-to-Text Transfer
- Face Recognition and Face detection with Convolution Neural Networks (ResNet-34)
- Speech Recognition with Recurrent Neural Networks (LSTMs)
- Detection of Malicious URLs using K-Nearest Neighbour Classifier

Skills

Machine Learning Sci-Kit Learn, Pytorch, tensorflow, hugging-face

Data Science NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Tableau, Metabase, SQL, A/B Testing, StatsModel, SciPy, MS EXCEL, Google Data

Programming/Frameworks Python (Intermediate), Java (Intermediate), LINUX (Beginner), C/C++ (Beginner), AWS

Software Git, Docker

Courses and Certifications

- Deep Learning Specialization (deeplearning.ai on Coursera)
- Machine Learning for Production Specialization (MLOps) (deeplearning.ai on Coursera)
- Data Foundations (Business Analytics) Nanodegree (Udacity)

Activities.

PRESIDENT (First International student to attain this position), Students' Guild, CMU-Africa

MEMBER, Kigali, Rwanda, Toastmasters International

Feb 2021 - Dec 2021 CAMPUS BRAND AMBASSADOR, University of Ibadan, Unilever Nigeria Plc Jan 2016 - Dec 2017

Awards

CIT Dean's Fellowship, Carnegie Mellon University's College of Engineering

National Finalist (Nigeria), Global Management Challenge

National Merit Scholarship, Total Exploration and Production Company Undergraduate Scholarship, Agbami Medical and Engineering Professionals

Undergraduate Scholarship, Midwestern Oil and Gas Company