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SKILLS

- Programming:** Proficient in Python, Bash, and High-Performance Computing (HPC, AWS)
Familiar with SQL, Tcl, HTML, and CSS
- ML libraries:** Matplotlib, Bokeh, scikit-learn, NLP, fastai, PyTorch, and TensorFlow
- Quantitative:** Statistics & Probability, Linear Algebra, Multivariable Calculus, and Optimization

EXPERIENCE

- Fellow**, Insight Data Science, San Francisco, CA Sep 2020 - Present
- Perform NLP to analyze user data of THE RUN EXPERIENCE™, a fitness app from Ongo Science
 - Predict user subscription using Logistic Regression and Random Forest: achieved F_1 score 0.8
 - Identify key factors of user conversion such as text length, engagement frequency, sentiment, etc.
- Research Assistant**, Geology & Geophysics, Louisiana State University Sep 2014 – Aug 2020
- Investigated materials corrosion by collaborative research with experts in glass, metal, and ceramics
 - Developed predictive models using time-series data to improve nuclear materials disposal safety
 - Produced an award-winning short film showcasing our research synergy (US Dept. of Energy, 2019)
 - Investigated oil recovery from shale nanopores using molecular dynamics simulation
 - Identified optimal conditions (e.g. temperature, salinity, etc.) for oil production
 - Initiated and coordinated collaborations with Shell Netherlands and Citrine Informatics
- Teaching Assistant**, Geology & Geophysics, Louisiana State University Jan 2020 – May 2020
- Produced lab lecture videos for 15 non-major college students to continue their study remotely
 - Re-designed lab courses and built a website on GitHub hosting class materials for remote access
- Research Assistant**, Geosciences, Stony Brook University, NY Aug 2011 – May 2014
- Developed a methodology using solid-state NMR to characterize organophosphates in calcite
 - Processed time-series signals into frequency-based spectra by Fourier-transform

PROJECTS

- Materials Stability Prediction**, Citrine Informatics, Redwood City, CA Aug 2020 - Sep 2020
- Applied a stacked ensemble and Random Forest to predict phase stability of binary systems
 - Identified 18 key features and improved product model prediction by 38%: achieved F_1 score 0.60
- IEEE-CIS Credit Card Fraud Detection**, Kaggle Data Challenge Jul 2020
- Cleaned and explored transaction data of over 400 features and of high imbalance
 - Trained Random Forest, LightGBM, XGBoost, and Logistic Regression models for classification
 - Improved precision and recall by features selection and optimization: achieved F_1 score 0.71

EDUCATION

- Ph. D. in Geochemistry**, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA Sep 2020
- Honor, Leadership LSU Class**, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA Apr 2015
- M. Sc. in Geochemistry**, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY May 2014