ERIC ZACHARIA
DATA SCIENTIST

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EDUCATION

M.S. Computer Science
Specialized in Data Analytics
University of Chicago, Dec 2021

B.S. Aerospace Engineering
George M. Berry Award for
Outstanding Design Achievement
Syracuse University, May 2016

SKILLS

Proficient
(Deep) Machine Learning, Advanced
Algorithms, Big Data Mining,
Databases, Python, NumPy, Pandas,
PyTorch, Scikit-learn, Matplotlib,
Jupyter, Google Colab, SQL, Git,
HTML, CSS, Excel, PPT, Prezi

Competent
nltk, TensorFlow, Keras, hugging-
face, XGBoost, Flask, Bottle, PyMC3,
TweePy, Amazon EMR &
SageMaker, Golang, MATLAB,
QuantConnect, Alpaca API, L^AT_EX

LICENSES

Secret Security Clearance '20
Private Pilot License '19
Scuba Diving License '16

DS PROJECTS

AG News Data - PyTorch Log. Reg
Lg. Translator - PyTorch Transformer
Language Translator - PyTorch LSTM
TorchText LM Data - PyTorch RNN
UDPOS Data - PyTorch NN

Arrhythmia Data - NumPy DT
Breast Cancer Data - sklearn Lin. Reg
CIFAR10 Data - NumPy CNN
Iris Data - PyTorch CNN
Iris Data - sklearn k-NN
MNIST Data - NumPy NN
NumPy AdaBoost Algorithm
NumPy Soft Margin Primal SVM
Prudential Data - sklearn Ordinal LR
Titanic Data - sklearn DT

Bloom Filter Streaming Algorithm
Flajolet-Martin Streaming Algorithm
Locality Sensitive Hashing
Map Reduce Matrix Multiplication

WORK EXPERIENCE

NLP Data Science Intern, University of Chicago Medical Center   Summer 2021

Preface: A significant amount of medical knowledge exists in unstructured medical notes,
and many doctors waste valuable time carefully picking the proper ICD codes for their
patients. Correct ICD codes are necessary for patients to receive proper follow-up
procedures and are required by insurance companies for proper payment to the hospital.
- Developed language models to correct missing or wrong ICD codes with 96% accuracy
- Predicted diseases in cardiology patients using historical medical notes with 64% accuracy

Machine Learning Research Intern, Argonne National Laboratory   Summer 2021
- Worked with molecular engineers in researching machine learning techniques to
  compensate for the issue of drifting readings for water contamination sensors
- Applied Bayesian inference to predict the curve of voltage drift on experimental data
- Reduced run-time of the team's compensation software from 45 hours to 27 minutes
- Educated the team about the applications of ML in molecular research
- Created non-CS-friendly pipelines for the researchers to use in their projects

Level II Aerospace Engineer, Spirit AeroSystems Inc.   2016-2020
- Designed, built, analyzed, and tested Boeing's 787 Dreamliner, and Boeing's 777X, and an
  aerospace structure for The Department of Defense

Host of Glacier's Bed and Breakfast   2018-2020
- Hosted guests in my 3-bedroom home with over 80 bookings and a 5-star rating

Fluid Dynamics Researcher, Syracuse University   2015-2016
- Analyzed the propulsive aspects of dolphin tails and experimented with 3D-printed
  dolphin caudal fins that mimicked swimming motion inside a water tunnel
- Constructed 3D visualizations of vortex flows to demonstrate swimming efficiencies

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Wedding Website   present
- Designed and currently maintaining a website for my upcoming wedding in April
- Guest and vendor information is stored in a relational database using SQLite3

Predicting the Genre of Music Samples using a Convolutional Neural Network   Fall 2021
- Wrote a CNN to outperform classifiers trained on extracted audio features
- Used audio signal processing to transform MP3 files into Mel spectrogram images
- Developed a web application for users to upload MP3s for accurate genre classification

Reinforcement Learning Robot that Navigates Variable Environments – Frozen Lake   Fall 2021
- Wrote DP and temporal difference algorithms to navigate a stochastic environment
- Optimized Double Q-Learning parameters through cross-validation for high success rates

Quantitative Momentum Trading Algorithm   Fall 2021
- Applied knowledge of fundamental valuation metrics and momentum-based trading ideas
  to create a paper trading algorithm that beat the S&P 500 by 10% over a 3-month period.

Predicting the Stock Market with Sentiment Analysis of Live Tweets   Summer 2021
- Developed an NLP pipeline that algorithmically trades stocks using tweets from Twitter
- Trading bot purchased more of the stocks with bullish sentiment and avoided the bearish
- Tripled the returns of the S&P 500 after one month of automated day trading

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