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EDUCATION

• Brown University

ScM in Data Science - GPA: 4.00

Providence, Rhode Island September 2021 – May 2023

Coursework: Applied Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Applied Mathematics for Machine Learning, Statistical Learning,
 Data Engineering, Applied Econometrics

• University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill

Chapel Hill, North Carolina

BS: Economics, Minor: Statistics, Highest Distinction and Honors - GPA: 3.88

August 2016 - December 2020

- o Coursework: Data Analysis Methods, Optimization, Advanced Econometrics, Linear Algebra, Calculus Series
- o Accolades: Phi Beta Kappa, Phillips Ambassador Scholar, Kakehashi Project Representative
- o Thesis: The Effects of Socioeconomic Characteristics on Ambient Air Pollution and the Decision to Over Pollute

SKILLS

- Languages: Python (scikit-learn, PySpark, TensorFlow, Keras, PyTorch, OpenCV, PyMC), R (caret, kernlab, shiny), SQL (PostgreSQL & MySQL), Julia, D3.js
- Other Tools: Git, Google Cloud Platform, GraphQL, HTML5, STATA, Excel, Mathematica, LaTeX

Relevant Experience

Ploomber

New York, NY

September 2022 - Present

Software Engineering Intern

- Designed visualization and evaluation tools for distributed ML models in the *sklearn-evaluation* package, adding model comparison, model interpretability, and parallel experiment tracking features
- Authored a series of technical articles on causal inference modeling in PyMC, natural experiment designs for A/B testing, and deploying parallel Bayesian regression discontinuity design experiments in the cloud

• Brown University Data Science Initiative

Providence, RI

Quantitative Research Intern

May 2022 - September 2022

- Formulated a dynamic cryptocurrency asset pricing model and trading strategy utilizing an ensemble of Machine Learning techniques including, but not limited to: ARIMA + GARCH autoregressive methods, Bayesian Models, CNNs, RNNs (GRUs and LSTMs), and Transformers
- Before fine tuning practices, our trading strategy achieved a theoretical profit of approximately \$60,000 USD during a bearish, volatile market regime

Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs

Providence, RI

Data Science Research Assistant

January 2022 - Present

- Refined data preprocessing techniques to feature engineer geospatial and socioeconomic factors required to assess fatal police encounters in the US
- Engineered python scripts to automate data collection and entry practices, eliminating manual data validation per fatal encounter (approximately 30% of the time allotted) and reallocating approximately 16.65% of the total research budget

Projects

• Neural Style Transfer for Algorithmically Generated Camouflage

Spring 2022

Python: TensorFlow, Keras, OpenCV; Cloud Services: Google Cloud Platform

Assembled a cloud-based CycleGAN to generate camouflage patterns from 90,000 natural-landscape images. Two
additional computer vision models were incorporated with the deep style transfer model for image preprocessing (removal
of image watermarks) and feature detection (removal of irrelevant sky-based features)

Spatiotemporal Approaches for Classifying Parking Violations

Fall 2021

Python: scikit-learn, Requests, Plotly; API: NYC Geoclient

 Developed a complete, reproducible ML pipeline via scikit-learn for classifying 100 unique parking violation categories designated by NYC's Department of Finance. Coupled preexisting geolocation features and NYC's official Geoclient API to engineer granular coordinate data