HILARY PRESENT

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EDUCATION

GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Atlanta, GA

M.S. in Analytics, Computational Data Science Track

August 2023 – August 2024

- Graduated 18-month program in 12 months while working part-time at ML polymer research and AI-fintech firms
- 1 of 10 STEM students statewide nominated and selected for the Georgia Research Alliance Student Scholar program
- Coursework and Extracurriculars: Data and Visual Analytics, Statistical Modeling and Machine Learning, Information Security, Computer Vision, Simulation, Regression, Business Analytics, Energy Club, Business Analytics Club

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

Charlottesville, VA

Dual B.A. in Cognitive Science and Media Studies, Computer Science Track

August 2017 - May 2021

• Work: Paid for expenses by bartending at local restaurant; promoted to manager 2 years ahead of schedule

EXPERIENCE

MATMERIZE Atlanta, GA

Pioneering company accelerating materials design by integrating polymer expertise with advanced data science techniques Technical Lead in Data Analytics

- Trained and optimized 400+ models to predict 24 polymer properties; improved mean R² 105.6% and mean MAE 59.4%
- Led backend integration on Matmerize platform, leveraging Git and AWS to deploy predictive models
- Increased client engagement by 22% and conversion rate by 12% through market research and client acquisition strategies

HERCTECH Wilmington, DE

AI- and Machine Learning-focused Fintech transforming active investment management Data Analyst

December 2020 - Present

- Developed models to extract high-impact mutual fund portfolios, utilizing simulated annealing to avoid reversion to mean
- Created custom datasets using feature engineering and data sampling to extract crucial fund performance data for advanced modeling and predictions
- Analyzed 500+ million data points and developed insights and visualizations for firm's flagship 2023 White Paper

RESEARCH & PROJECTS

RAMPRASAD RESEARCH GROUP

Atlanta, GA

Georgia Tech lab leveraging Machine Learning to accelerate the discovery of novel materials

Research Assistant

October 2023 - Present

- Optimized model performance with GridSearchCV and LassoCV, achieving an 88.7% improvement in accuracy using advanced feature engineering and RDKit
- Implemented robust model validation using bootstrapping with XGBoost, reducing mean absolute error (MAE) and increasing R² by normalizing the distribution of transmission values
- Built neural networks in PyTorch to predict polymer/solvent mixture solubility on 16,000+ combinations of concentrations and temperatures

ATLvtiCS DATA FOR HOPETM COMPETITION

Atlanta, GA

Result: Team Won Second Place; Received Prize of \$2000

August 2023 – September 2023

• Investigated year-over-year discrepancies in Atlanta's homeless population using R, NumPy, Pandas, and Tableau

GITHUB PROJECTS - SAMPLE OF PORTFOLIO

- Air Quality Visualization: D3.js for data visualization, HTML/CSS for frontend, and JavaScript for interactive features
- House Price Prediction: Python, Scikit learn for ML algorithms, and AWS for deployment
- To-Do List: HTML, CSS, and JavaScript for the frontend UI

FUN FACTS