



Boris Shminke

Machine Learning
Researcher/Engineer

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About me

I'm an ML and big data professional with 10+ years of experience. I'm currently interested in applications of AI with a focus on reinforcement learning. I'm Russian with a French residence permit (passeport talent chercheur).

Languages

English - full proficiency
French - limited proficiency
Russian - native

Technologies

Machine Learning

- reinforcement learning (Ray)
- deep learning (PyTorch)
- recommender systems

Data Engineering

- Spark, Kafka, Hadoop, AirFlow
- Oracle, Teradata, SAS
- pandas

DevOps

- Docker
- CircleCI, AppVeyor
- Google Cloud Platform

Team work: git, Scrum, Kanban
Python: numpy, scipy, sklearn, Jupyter
Other DBs: PostgreSQL, Vertica, MongoDB

education

- Ph.D. (mathematics) 10.2020-09.2023
Université Côte d'Azur
Thesis title: *Applications of AI to study of finite algebraic structures and automated theorem proving*
- Master equivalent (recognised by ENIC-NARIC) (applied maths) 09.2003-03.2009
Moscow Aviation Institute (National Research University)
Thesis title: *Application of critical cases theory to stabilization problems with incomplete information*

experience

- French National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS) 10.2020-09.2023
PhD candidate
developed a collection of OpenAI Gym environments for provers
wrote a Python client to Isabelle proof assistant server
automatically solved an open research question in abstract algebra
created and taught Master courses on distributed big data and recommender systems
- Largest Russian bank (Sberbank) 11.2018-09.2020
team lead in the AI R&D unit
built a financial news recommender for a mobile app with 40M users
created and maintained a recommender systems library
hired and supervised a team of ML Researcher Engineers
- Online cinema with 30M users (ivi.ru) 11.2015-10.2018
big data team lead
applied model-based movie recommendations to improve CTR
maintained the recommender serving over 1000 requests per sec.
hired and supervised a team of ML Engineers
- One of the largest Russian learning platforms (netology.ru) 12.2017-07.2018
part-time instructor&content creator
created and taught a course on recommender systems
- Top-30 Russian bank (TRUST) 09.2014-10.2015
senior risk analyst
core developer at a consumer credit automation project
- Moscow office of an international consulting firm (Business & Decision, now part of Orange Group) 05.2014-09.2014
senior analyst for a project
successfully implemented a cross-sell model data pipeline project
supervised a team of Data Engineers
- Top-30 Russian banks (Binbank) 05.2013-05.2014
senior analyst
created BI dashboards for consumer credit scoring
- Largest BI and Big Data Solutions provider in Russia (Glowbyte) 11.2010-04.2013
senior data engineer
built a data pipeline for an anti-fraud model
supervised a team of Data Engineers
- Leading Russian developer of IT solutions for air transport (IATVT) 08.2009-10.2010
programmer
financial reports automation
- Russian ERP software developer (Comtec) 03.2009-08.2009
programmer
full stack development for financial reporting

certificates

Oracle PL/SQL Developer Certified Associate	2015
SAS Certified Advanced Programmer	2014
Oracle Database SQL Certified Expert	2013
Certificate in Advanced English (Cambridge ESOL)	2012
SAS Certified Base Programmer for SAS 9	2011

additional info

In addition to my daytime job, I've contributed code to Apache Spark and Ray RLLib, among other open-source projects. Apart from coding, I enjoy hiking.