JUSTIN D'SOUZA

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TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Languages: C/C++, Python, R, Octave, HTML5/CSS3, Java, JavaScript (Node.js), SQL
- Libraries: TensorFlow, Nervana Neon, Scikit-learn, Pandas, NumPy, SciPy, Matplotlib
- Tools: Git, SVN, Postman, Visual Studio Code, Sublime Text, Eclipse, RStudio
- Machine Learning Concepts: Linear/Logistic Regression, Neural Networks, Support Vector Machines, Natural Language Processing, Deep Learning, Bayesian Statistics

WORK EXPERIENCE

Manulife / John Hancock – Innovation Software Engineer

May 2016 – present

- Researched and effectuated cognitive computing techniques to equip Portfolio Managers with smart decision-making tools.
- Integrated Natural Language Processing APIs with Node.js and Python scripts to acquire financial text data and feed neural network for data processing and classification.
- Utilized TensorFlow to build word2vec model and recurrent neural network from scratch for enhanced financial text analysis of hundreds of data files.

YMCA of Greater Toronto – *Outdoor Adventure Camp Counsellor*

June - Sept. 2015

- Programmed and supervised **team-building** activities including arts and crafts, field-games, and shelter building for 10-12 campers aged 6-12 years on a daily basis.
- Implemented creative theme day plans on a weekly basis for **50+** campers through **effective collaboration** with other staff, resulting in 'outstanding' performance on final evaluation.

PROJECTS

PillRemind

July 2016 – present

- Start-up funded by **Velocity Residence** program, engineering a smart pill container to connect with mobile application for user reminder system. Uses **Intel Edison** for Wi-Fi.
- Currently working on design and software for user notification system, while co-ordinating with 2 team members for platform integration.

Discover (discover-beta.github.io)

Apr. 2016 - present

- Android application which incorporates **predictive analytics** and a **GPS navigation system** to allow users to find social events tailored to their interests around them in real-time.
- Currently implementing decision-tree learning to bucket users into shared interest groups.

Stock Market Simulator (github.com/jqdsouza/MLForTrading)

June 2016

Created market simulator which accepts trading orders and tracks a portfolio fund's Sharpe ratio and cumulative returns against those of S&P 500. Return on Investment of fund is ~7.9%.

Flight Delay Predictor (github.com/jqdsouza/FlightDelayPredictor)

June 2016

- Trained ~33,000 rows of test data sourced from U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics to predict whether flights would arrive 15+ minutes after scheduled arrival time.
- Achieved ~80% prediction accuracy with Logistic Regression model, but improved specificity metric by a factor of 7 utilizing Random Forest algorithm.

VCommerce – Manulife / John Hancock (github.com/jqdsouza/VCommerce)

May 2016

- Mobile application utilizing innovative Virtual Reality platform and integrating Manulife and CIBC's financial services and customer base to simplify big life decisions for millennials.
- Led 3 interns and generated design, business plan, and proof-of-concept from scratch.

EDUCATION