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Professional Experience

Data Scientist, Los Angeles Times, Los Angeles CA

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Data Scientist, Accenture, Los Angeles CA

August 2019 - June 2022

I worked in Accenture's technology innovation practice, developing quantum computing and AI prototypes to solve business problems and drive client adoption of cutting-edge technologies.

Truck Routing Application

- Created and implemented mixed integer model to optimize delivery truck routes using annealing algorithms.
- Performed parameter tuning through grid searches to optimize the model for the algorithm, achieving valid solutions for problems 10x larger than those of previous attempts using similar approaches.

Portfolio Optimization Application

- Co-authored optimization model to reduce transaction costs of financial portfolios; submitted for patent.
- Led the integration of the algorithm into a web app using AWS services to achieve one of the first demonstrations of Amazon Braket, AWS's quantum computing service.

Radiotherapy Application

- Developed Python Flask app for novel approach of using quantum annealing to target cancerous tumors through intensity modulated radiotherapy methods.
- Created data models, curated test data, and implemented AWS S3 bucket storage.

Al Enterprise Search Engine

- Scripted automated tests with Pytest to evaluate performance of custom-made, BERT-based, conversational Q&A platform, hosted on AWS.
- Routinely summarized and communicated results to product owner and lead developer to facilitate informed decision making around iterations and improvements.

Data Analyst, Cogo Labs, Cambridge MA

June - August 2018

- Analyzed web traffic data using SQL to develop plans for online happy hour finder that reached 11,000 visits in seven weeks.
- Built a messaging bot using Python and SQL that alerts users to long running and long-standing SQL executions and deliveries to minimize data storage costs for the company.

Education

Wesleyan University, Middletown CT

May 2019

Bachelor of Arts, Major: Physics, Economics; Minor: Data Analysis; Phi Betta Kappa

Skills

Programming Expertise: Python, SQL, R, STATA, Mathematica.

Technical Expertise: AWS Ecosystem, machine learning, statistical inference & data science, quantum information science, virtual reality.