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Research Interests

Natural Language Processing Data Science Machine Learning **Economics** Information Retrieval

Industry Experience

ROSS Intelligence, Legal Technology, Toronto, Canada

May 2017 - Current

Machine Learning Engineer

- Applied research in the legal domain
- Research, development and deployment of machine learning models, microservices and pipelines
- Question Answering, Ranking, Text Classification, Segmentation, Summarization, Pipelines
- Speed and quality improvements in Information Retrieval

OR Empreendimentos, Real Estate Investment, São Paulo, Brazil

2014 - 2016

Financial Analyst

- Coordination and execution of the Business Intelligence endeavor
- Improved intelligence productivity of the department, saving 80 man-hours/month
- Developed financial risk and budget models, saving over 3MM USD monthly

Zocprint, Rocket Internet Venture, São Paulo, Brazil

2013

Head of Customer Service

- Developed and grew a new customer service department within the organization
- Hired and managed 9 customer service agents
- Defined, mapped customer service business processes and data collection
- Department was entirely data-driven, with employee productivity tracked, forecasting for future hires
- Defined Key Performance Indicators and Service Level Agreements
- Quantitative quality feedback to the operations department

Skills

- Deep Learning, focused on Language Models
- Python, R, Java, Groovy, VBA, Bash, SQL
- Keras, Pandas, Tensorflow, Numpy
- General classification, regression algorithms
- Microservices, Docker, Kubernetes
- AWS, Falcon, Flask, API development

Education

MSc. In Applied Computing (MScAC), University of Toronto

Sep 2016 - Dec 2017

- Courses
- ♦ Introduction to Machine Learning
- ♦ Natural Language Computing
- Probabilistic Learning and Reasoning
- Human-Computer Interaction
- Computational Neuroscience

BSc. In Economics, Universidade Presbiteriana Mackenzie

Aug 2011 - Jun 2014

Courses of note

♦ Econometrics

♦ Industrial Organization