Logan Cooper

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SKILLS

• Languages: Python, SQL, JavaScript

• Frameworks: Pandas, scikit-learn, numpy, scipy, PyTorch, spacy, Flask, BeautifulSoup, D3.js, Node, Puppeteer.js

• Tools: Git, PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Amazon Web Services (AWS), Google Cloud Platform (GCP), Excel, Tableau

EDUCATION

Duke University

Durham, NC

M.S. Economics and Computer Science

Aug 2021 - May 2023

Selected Coursework: Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Databases, Topics in Data Science, Mathematical Statistics

U.C. Santa Cruz

Santa Cruz, CA

B.A. Global Economics (cum laude)

Sep 2012 - Dec 2016

EXPERIENCE

Duke University

Durham, NC

Graduate Research Assistant

Feb 2022 - May 2022, Sep 2022 - Present

- Created a novel research dataset by computationally scraping and cleaning 80GB of news broadcast transcripts into a PostgreSQL database.
- Identified subsets of data relevant to specific research questions with BERT-based keyword extraction and topic modelling algorithms.

Pearson

Durham, NC

Data Scientist Intern

May 2022 - Aug 2022

- Developed Python data pipelines to download, clean, and transcribe 11.5 million text, audio, and video documents from internal APIs and store them in Google BigQuery.
- \circ Prototyped a BM25-based search and recommendation model to match student queries with resources from over 1,200 e-textbooks.

Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco

San Francisco, CA

Software Developer

Jul 2020 - Jul 2021

• Reduced access time for one particular dataset from hours to minutes by building a custom Java ETL tool to transform CSV data into a format our data warehouse could ingest.

Forio

San Francisco, CA

Software Developer

Jan 2018 - Jun 2020

- Built React/Redux frontends for 9 educational simulations collectively worth over \$990,000 in revenue, including data visualizations and grade dashboards.
- Saved 8-16 hours of developer time per project while improving adherence to internal coding standards by creating a Node CLI tool to auto-generate project and component boilerplate.

Projects

- Debunked! Modelling the LOCO Conspiracy Corpus: Group project. Uses the LOCO Conspiracy Corpus to identify topics and keywords in conspiracy theory articles and how closely those terms are linked to each other. Tech: Python, pandas, spaCv, BERT
- PollyDarton NLP-driven Data Curation for Polymer Nanocomposite Data Resources: Group project. NLP-based classification of sentences in published materials science papers. Improved F1 score over current models by 0.05 points. Tech: Python, PyTorch, scikit-learn, NLTK, Gensim, RoBERTa
- Obesity and Corruption in the Former USSR: Working research paper with Prof. Charlie Becker which corrects for omitted variables in a 2021 paper which uses machine learning estimates of politicians' BMIs as a proxy variable for corruption. Finds that upon correcting for age and sex, the corruption-BMI relationship is weaker but still significant between the 5% and 10% levels. Tech: Python, pandas, Statsmodels
- The Vocabulary of Buck 65, Quantified: Blog post with analysis of rapper Buck 65's vocabulary inspired by Matt Daniels' Raper Vocab Chart. Finds that Buck 65 should the the third highest vocabulary in hip-hop. Tech: Python, Pandas.
- Linear Regression API: API which can perform and visualize simple OLS linear regressions. Tech: Python, Flask, JavaScript, D3.js, AWS Lambda