Liudvikas Akelis

Curriculum Vitae

About me

A chemist by training, I have been fascinated by computers from an early age. After becoming interested in statistics, I pivoted my career to data science in 2017. Since then, I have worked in all stages of data analysis, from determining data requirements all the way to creating decisions from that data. I enjoy working in teams, pushing into git, cycling and bouldering.

Work experience

May 2020 - **Decision Scientist**, Vinted, Vilnius

Nov 2023 Helped make decisions more data-based in full-stack development teams

- Proposed, defined and implemented various metrics for the team. OKRs at the top level, but also their decomposition into drivers.
- O Contributed to exposing our data to the rest of the company by developing data models, developing nightly jobs to calculate them, and finally expose this data through *Looker*.
- O Organized and overlooked AB experiments on both internal and customer-facing features: proposed and defined measures and how to measure them, calculated sample sizes before the experiments and result statistical significance after.

Nov 2017 - Data analyst, UAB Scorify, Vilnius

May 2020 A position that expanded as I spent more time in the company and got to know the infrastructure better.

- Started with tasks in data extraction, such as imports from raw sources, some light web scraping, and automating these ingests into our databases.
- Moved on to building predictive models for projects, working mostly with *Tensorflow* and *xgboost* respectively convolutional neural networks and random forests.
- On the side, worked to revive and took on administrating one of our older servers, in which I set up and started promoting our internal Wiki page and Gitlab server.
- O Developed a few internal webapps, using the amazing *Shiny* framework, which we used to spread our data insights within the company.

2017-2018 **ETL/web scraping**, upwork.com, freelancing platform Freelanced on the Upwork platform

Mar 2016 - Chemical analyst, Smithers Rapra, Shrewsbury, UK

Jan 2017 Prepped and carried out analyses of pharmaceutical polymers for leaching

Technical skills

- \circ For data analysis and modelling, I absolutely love R with 5+ years of experience. I have worked with Python for a similar amount of time, just not as recently.
- 5+ years of SQL usage. For complex queries, I however prefer frameworks (*ibis*, *dbplyr*)
- 3 years of Scala Spark
- o git
- Technologies I don't consider my main strengths:
 - guile scheme and Emacs Lisp
 - Linux and bash
 - C
 - Basic knowledge of how Web works (**HTML**, vanilla **JS**, **CSS**).
 - **Docker** containers and other **virtualization** stack.

General skills

- O Native Lithuanian
- o Fluent English
- O Very basic French, German
- O Drivers License

Education

2011-2015 Vilnius University, B.Sc. Chemistry, Vilnius, Lithuania

2016 Coursera, 3 month course in data science

3 courses, 1 month each, covering basics of R, basic data analysis and visualisations.