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EDUCATION

Doctor of Medicine / Doctor of Philosophy

Jan. 2021 – Jun. 2028

Computational Neuroscience

University of Alberta

Thesis: Time-varying, multimodal network estimation and classification for high-dimensional neuroimaging data

Advisory Committee: Ivor Cribben, Russ Greiner, Bo Cao

Bachelor of Science / Bachelor of Commerce

Sep. 2014 – Jun. 2020

Biological Science and Analytics

University of Alberta

GPA: 3.95/4.0 (top 1% of class)

Courses: probability and statistics, machine learning, time series analysis, network science, artificial intelligence

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming: Python (*pandas*, *numpy*, *matplotlib*, *seaborn*, *scikit-learn*, *pytorch*), R (*tidyverse*, *ggplot2*, *caret*, *e1071*, *randomForest*, *glmnet*, *parallel*), SQL, Matlab, PowerQuery, VBA

Quantitative: Data wrangling & pre-processing, visualization, database querying, experimental design, statistical inference and hypothesis testing, algorithm design, optimization, machine learning and prediction

Deployment: Git/GitHub, Distributed Computing, Unix Shell, SLURM

WORK EXPERIENCE

Data Engineer Intern

Sep. 2021 – Mar. 2023

Northwest Auto Group

Edmonton AB, Canada

- Designed a recurrently updating dashboard for Western Canada's largest automotive dealership group to empower executives and marketing departments towards data-informed decision making in their advertising strategy
- Designed and developed a SQL, Python, and Google Cloud based data transformation and visualization pipeline for over 60,000 semi-structured data points
- Validated key performance indicators with users, and reduced process lead time by more than 50% resulting in 10+ hours saved during marketing campaigns
- Optimized back-end computations and delivered final data product at less than 10% of original budget

Data Science Intern

Jan. 2020 – Apr. 2020

Volkswagen Canada

Remote

- Led a team of 3 student data scientists in modelling 2022-2025 Canadian sales of Volkswagen's most important vehicle release in the past decade, the fully electric VW ID.4
- Built an intuitive Excel-based simulation tool and visualization interface using solver and VBA for back-end computations which optimized allocations to maximize profitability and product turnover of the launch
- Presented deliverable and forecasts to Volkswagen Canada senior leadership and advised on regional allocation of over 6,000 new and highly valuable ID.4 vehicles

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Visiting Research Scientist

Sep. 2021 – present

New York University

New York City, NY, United States

- Developed statistical theory and methods for high-dimensional distributions with applications in brain mapping
- Presented findings and actively participated in discussions during weekly lab meetings, seeking feedback on my work and providing constructive input on colleagues' projects
- Organized an invited session *Frontiers in Graph Learning*, and presented work at the *Joint Statistical Meetings, 2024*, the largest statistical conference in North America

Research Scientist

Jan. 2020 – present

Neuroscience and Mental Health Institute

Edmonton AB, Canada

- Created a novel anomaly detection method called FaBiSearch, for high-dimensional time series data, which includes an R package implementation, and was accepted in the journal *Neurocomputing*
- Validated methodology with simulated and real neuroimaging data, used A/B testing to show improvements of 2 times in true positive rates and 10 times in false positive rates over the state-of-the-art
- Disseminated research insights at the *Organization for Human Brain Mapping 2024* conference, effectively communicating technical methodologies and results to an interdisciplinary scientific audience