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SUMMARY

Data Scientist with dual master's degrees in STEM and a solid foundation in physics, specializing in portfolio optimization, machine learning, and quantitative finance. Proficient in Python and data analysis, seeking to apply my expertise in AI, Data Science or Quantitative Analysis roles to solve complex, real-world problems and contribute to impactful research.

SKILLS

Programming	- Python (advanced) – NumPy, Pandas, PyTorch, SciPy, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Scikit-learn - SQL, MATLAB, R, C (basic).		
IT Skills	- AWS Sagemaker	- Git	- VS Code
Certifications	- Linux Terminal 1. <i>Quant Bootcamp</i> – ARPM - July 2024. 2. <i>Quantitative Finance with R</i> – Udemy – July 2023. 3. <i>Introduction to Portfolio Construction and Analysis with Python</i> – Coursera – April 2023. 4. <i>Data Analysis with Python</i> – freeCodeCamp - March 2023.		
Soft skills	- Problem solving	- Thinking Differently	- Analysis
	- Communication skills	- Planning	- Teamwork

WORK EXPERIENCE

04.2024 - NOW	Visual Data Scientist ARPM – Advanced Risk and Portfolio Management, Italy. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Managing a codebase of 600+ Python scripts, translating research theory into production-ready code and complex visualizations for weekly Git deployments.Deepening expertise in Quantitative Research through ARPM's professional curriculum, mastering advanced topics including Optimal Transport, Random Matrix Theory, and Causal Inference.Delivering business intelligence insights to Sales and Operations teams by analysing user databases and leading post-production for lecture and marketing videos.
03.2023 - 03.2024	AI Scientist - Intern Iipazia, Milan, Italy. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Analysed large-scale time-series datasets and implemented LSTM and Transformer models for optimizing portfolios, using PyTorch Lightning and AWS SageMaker.Engaged in pioneering research to develop a novel architecture, incorporating Hopfield layers for portfolio optimisation, contributing to a peer-reviewed publication.Explored emerging areas like extreme multilabel classification and conformal prediction for uncertainty quantification.

11.2022 - 03.2023	Master's Thesis Student University of Padova, Italy.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducted extensive study of 4 real-space renormalization group methods applied to Ising and Potts models on lattices. Implemented Monte Carlo method for renormalization group using the efficient Wulff cluster sampling algorithm.
11.2018 - 07.2019	Master's Thesis Student Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developed a C program for phase-field modelling of eutectoid transformation in ternary systems, analysing growth constants with Stefan boundary conditions.

PUBLICATION

11.2024	Hopfield Networks for Asset Allocation <i>ICAF '24: Proceedings of the 5th ACM International Conference on AI in Finance</i> https://doi.org/10.1145/3677052.3698605
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EDUCATION

10.2019 - 07.2023	Master's degree in Physics University of Padova, Italy.
08.2018 - 07.2019	Master of Science in Materials Science Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru
08.2014 - 05.2018	Bachelor of Science (Research) in Materials Science Indian Institute of Science

PROJECTS

12.2023 - 01.2024	Corporate Credit Rating Forecast using Machine Learning Methods https://monishagopal.github.io/projects/credit-rating/ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implemented machine learning models, including XGBoost and RandomForest, to predict corporate credit ratings from historical financial data. Applied techniques such as SMOTE to address class imbalance in datasets, and hyperparameter optimisation to improve the classification models. Gained proficiency in financial ratios and understand a company's fiscal strength.
02.2024 - 03.2024	Extreme Multilabel Classification and Conformal Risk Control <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explored challenges in Extreme Multilabel Classification (XML) and developed python implementation of relevant metrics such as precision@k, discounted cumulative gain @k and propensity scored losses. Applied conformal risk control techniques in the multilabel classification scenario, particularly in the context of assigning candidates to job profiles, aiming to quantify uncertainties and enhance decision-making processes.