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# **PAUL OWE**

#### **EDUCATION**

# **B.A. Computer Science**

**September 2016 – June 2020** 

York University, Toronto, ON, Canada

**Relevant Courses:** Data Mining, Database Systems, Design and Analysis of Algorithms, Fundamentals of Data Structures, and Software Design

# **WORK EXPERIENCE**

### Research Assistant, York University

May 2020 - Present

- Developing a proof of concept for the automatic retrieval and archiving of open educational resources.
- Conducting research on tagging systems, where a logical tag hierarchy is formed, and each OER object receives metadata used for search and information retrieval.

# Data Scientist, PharmAssess Diagnostics Corp.

March 2020 - Present

- I lead overall data management solutions and design for a health diagnostic startup company.
- Versed in architecting and building a solution from conception -> ETL -> modelling -> to deployment of **ML inference** engines on **AWS** using Lambda, Sagemaker, API Gateway and a serverless architecture.

# Analytics Intern, KPMG Data Analytics Virtual Internship

**August 2019 – April 2020** 

- Pro-actively communicated with a business client to identify data quality issues and ways to ensure completeness.
- Prepared a detailed approach for feature engineering, transformations, modelling and reporting.
- Leveraged data visualization tools (Tableau) to develop dashboards and represent data in a business-friendly manner

#### **ACADEMIC PROJECTS**

# **Natural Language Processing**

**January 2020 – April 2020** 

- Predicted sentiment of Yelp Business Reviews with 91% accuracy by applying **supervised machine learning** models on a large review dataset Used the bag-of-words model for text representation.
- Evaluated model performance using accuracy scores, AUC-ROC curves and misclassification costs.
- Wrote a report to discuss and justify methods for preprocessing the data and learning algorithms used for the model.

# Designing Databases for an Online Couch-surfing System

September 2019 – December 2019

 Analyzed the domain, prepared a detailed specification of how information will be represented and stored in a database management system - Used PostgreSQL for this application.

#### **INDEPENDENT PROJECTS**

### Social Network Analysis

December 2019 – January 2020

- Performed social network analysis to understand the structural properties of networks on twitter, or, graph mining. I
  used tweepy to test and integrate twitter's REST and Streaming APIs into my application. This allowed me to model
  twitter conversations and monitor how users interact and communicate in an aggregate manner.
- Created a dynamic map to visualize location of tweets and enhance comprehensibility of my analysis with Folium.

# **Analyzing Big Data with Hadoop**

**February 2020 – March 2020** 

• Launched a fully functional Hadoop cluster using Amazon EMR, defined schema and created a table for log data stored in Amazon S3, and analyzed the data using HiveQL.

# Voice Enabled Banking Assistant

**January 17 – January 19, 2020** 

• Created a voice application for Google Assistant and Alexa to heighten a user's digital banking experience at the University of Toronto Hackathon VII. Used Voiceflow and VoiceXML to specify voice responses and dialogs.

# **SKILLS**

<u>Languages</u>: Python (nltk, scikit-learn, matplotlib, numpy, pandas), SQL || <u>Web frameworks</u>: React, Flask || <u>Cloud</u>: Amazon Web Services || <u>Software</u>: MS Excel, Weka, Tableau, MATLAB, RStudio || <u>Other</u>: Open-source contributions (Github), Data-Driven Presentations, Agile methodology, Docker, Serverless Architecture

## **AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES**

Certificate: Machine Learning Certification (Stanford University on Coursera)
 Certificate: KPMG Data Analytics Consulting Virtual Internship
 April 2020

Award: 1st Place Startup Team (Bergeron Entrepreneurs in Science and Tech.) November 2019

#### **VOLUNTEERING EXPERIENCE**

• *Volunteer:* Service Learning at Akorlikope (Ghana)

July 2016