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SKILLS

Programming	Python • R • Javascript • SQL • SAS • Java
DB/Big Data	Oracle • MySQL • MongoDB • Hadoop (MapReduce, Hive, Pig, Spark, Mahout)
Data Analytics	Scikit-Learn • SciPy • NumPy • Pandas • Gensim • SpaCy • NLTK • Tableau • Excel • SPSS
Web Development	Node.js • Express • WebSockets • HTML • D3
Environments/Tools	AWS (EC2, S3) • Jupyter Notebooks • Linux • Git

EXPERIENCES

- Research Assistant - DePaul Center for Data Science, Chicago, IL** July 2020 - Present
- Developed unsupervised learning model to segment a large dataset of medical teaching files by their literary uncertainty levels into 4 clusters. This helped my research team develop a classification model based on the uncertainty levels my model identified.
 - Responsible for building NLP topic modeling pipeline using NLTK and Gensim, and building a machine learning model using Scikit-Learn.
- Data Science Intern - Urban Outfitters, Philadelphia, PA** June - August 2020
- Built a classification model to determine which marketing channels were most effective in leading to a sale.
 - Transformed raw customer data into MySQL and conducted dimension reduction and attribute encoding in order to prepare data for machine learning.
 - Visualized my results using Python and R and presented my finding to the marketing team.

PROJECTS

- Bitcoin Ocean** Summer 2020
- Bitcoin Ocean is a Node.js/Express app that visualizes bitcoin transactions in real time as ocean creatures. Uses Blockchain's WebSocket API to stream data and runs on Heroku cloud. (Can be viewed [here](#))
- Sales Data Cluster Analysis** Spring 2020
- Processed large volume sales transaction data using hadoop cluster on AWS EC2, used Hive and Pig for data transformation, and performed unsupervised learning by applying K-means clustering using Mahout.
 - Resulted in 7 partitions, segmenting the data into groups of customers based on similar purchasing behavior.
 - Gained experience setting up multi node hadoop clusters in AWS EC2, reading and writing data to/from S3, and working in a Linux environment.
- Predictive Bank Telemarketing** Winter 2019
- Built classification models in Python using decision trees and k-nearest neighbors to predict whether or not a bank client will subscribe to a term deposit. Resulted in 84% of positive cases accurately determined and showed that a client's occupation type was the most important feature, among others. (Can be viewed [here](#))
 - Responsible for cleansing and transforming data using one hot encoding to prepare data for machine learning.
- Forecasting Medical Expenses** Spring 2019
- Built a regression model in SAS to forecast annual medical expenses of Americans using insurance data. Used stepwise regression test to determine the best fit model. Ultimately our model predicted 75% of variability in our data and showed that age and BMI were the most influential features on the regression model. (Can be viewed [here](#))
 - Responsible for understanding project requirements, building data pipeline in order to gather, enrich, and cleanse the data, and creating exploratory data visualizations such as correlation matrices and box plots.

EDUCATION

- DePaul University, Chicago, IL** 2020
- B.S, Computer Science, Minor in Data Science, GPA: 3.4
- Relevant Courses: Mining Big Data, Fundamentals of Data Science, Advanced Data Analysis, Regression Analysis, Database Systems, Data Visualization, Data Structures, Statistics