Sarah Gorton

I'm an **organizer at heart**, whether it's optimizing my personal routines or structuring data systems. This instinct, combined with my **interest in coding and automation**, led me to data engineering. It combines my skills, interests, and attention to detail. In my work, I strive to build scalable, efficient data pipelines that transform raw data into reliably structured outputs for downstream use. Beyond the technical side, I value collaboration and clear communication, working closely with key stakeholders to design and implement **impactful data solutions**.

CONTACT INFO

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EDUCATION

University of Oregon

Obtained a Bachelor of Applied Science in Data Science (Marketing Analytics focus), as well as minors in Computer Science and Business Administration.

SKILLS AND PROFICIENCIES

Languages

Python, SQL

Visualizations

Excel, Looker Studio, Tableau

Data Collection Tools

GTM (Google Tag Manager), GA4 (Google Analytics 4), Funnel

Cloud & DevOp Tools

Google Cloud Platform (BigQuery, Cloud Run, Docker), Git, Linux

DATA ENGINEERING PROJECT

Handling Aggregable and Non-Aggregable Data in an ELT Pipeline

Designed and implemented an algorithm within an automated ELT pipeline to consolidate data at different aggregation levels into a consistent, aggregable dataset. Specifically, daily social media metrics included aggregable data (e.g., daily likes) and non-aggregable cumulative data (e.g., lifetime campaign reach). The algorithm leveraged campaign logs and custom logic to select the most relevant non-aggregable figures, integrating them seamlessly with aggregated media data for accurate downstream analysis. This improved data consistency, reliability, and downstream calculation abilities.

WORK HISTORY

Rescue | The Behavior Change Agency

Jr. Data Science Associate

Jul 2024 - Present

- Contribute to the ongoing enhancement and maintenance of our data infrastructure. Enhancements include the implementation of robust code testing in isolated environments prior to GCP deployment and the expansion of team members' influence on the automated media data segmentation ahead of benchmark creation. Ensure process reliability and maintenance through stakeholder-driven updates, comprehensive documentation, and version control with Git.
- Support the lead data scientist on projects as needed. A notable project included applying computer vision and NLP (BERT embeddings) to cluster labeled image data; integrated cluster probabilities with participants' metadata to identify thematic trends across four participant archetypes.
- Responsible for various brands' client-facing performance reports and
 presentations which portray previously complex media, website, and enrollment
 data as clear and actionable insights relevant to colleagues and clients. Utilize
 tools like GTM, GA4, Funnel, BigQuery, Tableau, and Google Looker Studio to
 build, maintain, and optimize dashboards that streamline campaign reporting
 and data tracking. Further develop strong communication skills by collaborating
 with diverse internal stakeholders and presenting to clients.

Marketing Analytics Coordinator II

Aug 2023 - Jul 2024

- Contributed to the ongoing enhancement and maintenance of our data
 infrastructure. Enhancements included transitioning from manually run
 Python/SQL scripts to cloud-scheduled jobs, and refining quarterly outputs to
 better serve team needs, which in part included producing a BigQuery dataset
 integrated with Tableau dashboards and a well-formatted Google Sheet
 optimized for downstream analysis and reporting. Ensured process reliability
 and maintenance through stakeholder-driven updates, comprehensive
 documentation, and version control with Git.
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 presentations which portrayed previously complex media, website, and
 enrollment data as clear and actionable insights relevant to colleagues and
 clients. Utilized tools like GTM, GA4, Funnel, BigQuery, Tableau, and Google
 Looker Studio to build, maintain, and optimize dashboards that streamline
 campaign reporting and data tracking. Developed strong communication skills
 by collaborating with diverse internal stakeholders and presenting to clients.

Marketing Analytics Intern

Jul 2022 - May 2023

- Lead contributor to the enhancement of our data infrastructure. Enhancements
 included improved data standardization logic utilized by ETL processes, then
 allowing for the consolidation of ELT processes which previously existed across
 multiple BigQuery projects into a single shared script, which eliminated version
 drift and ensured consistent data transformation. This additionally involved
 rewriting the data segmentation logic and calculations, as well as the
 implementation of testing, documentation, and version control.
- Supported various brands' client-facing performance reports which portray
 previously complex media, website, and enrollment data as clear and actionable
 insights relevant to colleagues and clients.