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EXPERIENCE

BlackRock - Systematic Active Equities

London, UK

Researcher March 2023 - Present

- Researcher for ML-driven systematic trading fund, deploying fully autonomous algorithms.
- o Projects:
 - * Prototyping GNN and Transformer-based models for large-scale, structured multivariate time-series forecasting
 - * Developing custom, convex-optimization head for direct mean-variance optimization of deep learning model forecasts.
 - * Implementing DeepMind's DeepEnsemble model for uncertainty quantification of time-series model forecasts, used to scale forecasts.
- Experience training large PyTorch models on multi-node GPU clusters, using Slurm and PyTorch's DDP.
- o Experience with distributed blackbox-optimization methods using Optuna.

Open Climate Fix

London, UK

Machine Learning Research Intern

November 2022 - March 2023

- o Internship at open-source, non-profit research lab, focusing on deep learning methods for meteorlogical spatio-temporal forecasting. Received full-time offer for immediate start.
- Experience with distributed training of large-scale deep learning models (200M+ parameters) on GPU clusters with DDP and DeepSpeed-Zero.
- o Projects:
 - * Implementation, adaptation of Google's MetNet model for solar photo-voltaic (PV) forecasting [GitHub Repository].
 - * Developed and productionized gradient boosted model for national PV time-series forecasting [GitHub Repository]
 - * Contributing to OCF's dataloader, testing chunked-storage compression algorithms for fastest IO in model training.
 - * Working with large zarr-based datasets (> 5TB) of weather and satellite data using xarray and dask.

DRW Holdings LLC

London, UK

Quantitative Trading Research Analyst

November 2020 - September 2022

- Hybrid trading and research position at high frequency algorithmic trading firm.
- - * Developing ML algorithms for non-stationary time-series clustering and forecasting problems.
 - * Developing online state-space models for multivariate time-series forecasting.
 - * Optimization of distributed network signals and order routing for high frequency trading strategies using graph partioning algorithms
 - * Experience writing production Python code and using HPCs for model research.

Susquehanna International Group

Dublin, Ireland

Quantitative Trading Intern

July 2018 - September 2018

- Internship at a high frequency quantitatively-driven trading firm.
- Project: Time-series outlier detection for > 500 concurrent data streams using automated feature extraction and gradient boosted models.

EDUCATION

University of Oxford

Oxford, UK

Master of Science in Mathematical Sciences: Distinction

Sept. 2019 - Sept. 2020

- o Lord Crewe & Sloane-Robinson Scholarships: Prestigious and extremely selective university-wide scholarships.
- o Focus on Deep Learning, Optimization, Network Modelling and Numerical Linear Algebra.
- Notable projects:
 - * Deep Learning project investigating model pruning and optimization in CNNs (PyTorch)
 - * Networks project "Random Walks and Node Centrality on Hypergraphs". Novel generalisation of PageRank to Hypergraphs.

University of York

York, UK

Bachelor of Science in Mathematics; First with Distinction (91%)

Sept. 2016 - July. 2019

- o P.B. Kennedy Prize & York Futures Scholarship: Best examination award and social mobility scholarship
- o Dissertation: 90% "Statistical Inference for Ordinary Differential Equations". Investigation into parameter inference in ODE systems using MCMC.
- Notable results: 96% Statistical Pattern Recognition, 95% Linear Algebra, 99% Numerical Methods for PDEs

Personal Projects

• Precipitation Nowcasting Models

June 2023 - Present:

- o Implementing and applying SOTA next-frame prediction models to Swedish rainfall radar dataset.
- Full implementation of NowcastNet, ConvLSTM and maxViT model, with further aims to test Diffusion models (subject to compute) [GitHub Repository].

• DOTA2 Hero Drafter: AlphaZero Recommender System

December 2022 - Present:

- o Developing DL-based MCTS algorithm for predicting optimal hero choices, for turn based drafting portion of DOTA2 game.
- Developing policy model with self-play, trained on over 3M real DOTA2 drafts.
- Model currently outperforms previous SOTA draft model (generic MCTS) [GitHub Repository].

• Automated Vegetation System

December 2020:

- o Using Arduino and Raspberry Pi to create monitoring software for automated indoor vegetation growth
- o Basic time series forecasting of environment variables to predict system parameter adjustments
- Developed basic familiarity with C++

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

- Interests: Interested in the application of ML and optimization to solve difficult real-world problems, network modelling and general time-series forecasting of particular interest.
- Skills: Python, with classical (sklearn, SciPy, lightgbm) and modern machine learning libraries (PyTorch). Experience with Linux, Git, Slurm, Docker, Airflow, wandb, AWS and GCP.