Experience

• Kinaxis Advisory Machine Learning Developer, Applied Research

- (Oct 2020 Current)
- Engineering a configurable end-to-end machine learning platform on RapidResponse.
- Led cross-functional design sessions to implement configurable and functionally scale-able feature engineering pipelines and components. Implemented temporal aggregation and expansion functionality to reconcile multiple time-resolutions in Spark.
- Leading documentation efforts and internal technical discussions to improve team expertise and onboard new members. Provided guidance to a MSc student for an academic research project on data linkage.
- Rubikloud Technologies (Now Kinaxis) Data Scientist

(May 2019 - Oct 2020)

- Optimizing promotional effectiveness and inventory for retailers with accurate demand forecasts.
- Developed a general representation for promotion mechanics, reducing forecast errors by 50% and allowed for combining and comparing different promotion types.
- Implemented feature extraction and training pipelines on GCP with Spark and Kubernetes. Deployed visualization service using Bokeh. Prototyped model deployment using MLflow.
- TMX Group Research Intern

(Jan 2019 - Apr 2019)

- Created representations for market volatility state with a variational auto-encoder using Tensorflow.
- Extracted minute-level features from orders and trade tables in Spark.
- Rubikloud Technologies Inc. Data Science Research Intern

(May 2017 - Dec 2018)

 Developed a novel individualized demand forecasting model for joint purchase time predictions over multiple products by adapting a survival loss function to a recurrent neural network in Tensorflow.

Publications

- Badescu A.L., Chen T., Lin S., Tang D., A Marked Cox model for the Number of IBNR Claims: Estimation and Application, 2019, ASTIN Bulletin, Volume 49, Issue 3, pp. 709-739. https://doi-org.myaccess.library.utoronto.ca/10.1017/asb.2019.15
- Chen T., Keng B., Moreno J., Multivariate Arrival Times with Recurrent Neural Networks for Personalized Demand Forecasting, 2018, Published in Proceedings of IEEE ICDM 2018 DMS Workshop. https://arxiv.org/abs/1812.11444

Education

• University of Toronto PhD Statistics, Withdrew from Program

(2017 - 2019)

- Awarded grants NSERC Engage (25,000 CAD) and Mitacs Accelerate (15,000 CAD) for research with Rubikloud Technologies Inc.
- Awarded grants Mitacs Accelerate (10,000 CAD) for research with TMX Group Inc.
- University of Toronto MSc Statistics, GPA: 3.80/4.00

(2016 - 2017)

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