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Experience

• Rubikloud Technologies Inc. Data Scientist

(May 2019 - Current)

- Building demand forecasting models for retailers to balance supply chain considerations and promotion campaign effectiveness.
- Developed a general representation for promotion mechanics in order to produce accurate forecasts and to compare among different promotion types.
- Implemented cloud-based feature extraction, training and inference pipelines on GCP with Dataproc and Docker-based virtual machines.

• TMX Group Research Intern

(Jan 2019 - Apr 2019)

- Developed a generative model for latent representation of market states and dynamics.
- Clustering on latent representations reveals the market features that are useful in producing intuitive understanding of market state predictions.
- Implemented an efficient algorithm in PySpark to extract high-resolution features from orders and trade tables to capture detailed information regarding order book state and flows.
- Rubikloud Technologies Inc. Data Science Research Intern (May 2017 Dec 2018)
 - Developed a novel individualized demand forecasting model in Tensorflow for joint predictions for purchase arrival times over multiple products using a Recurrent Neural Network (LSTM).
 - The model adapts log-likelihood losses which exploit partial information to obtain accurate and flexible predictions, beating state-of-the-art machine learning approaches with minimal hyper-parameter tuning.

• University of Toronto Student Researcher - Reserving

(May-Aug 2016)

- Implemented a Cox Process with random arrival intensities in R.
- Latent states determine true claim arrival intensity and reporting delay determines thinning parameters for the reported claim arrival process.
- Showed that this model is much better able to predict the number of unreported claims compared to aggregate models.

Technical Skills

• Proficient in implementing and developing neural networks using Tensorflow, Keras, Torch.

- Experienced in machine learning packages such as scikit-learn, XGBoost, LightGBM.
- Proficient with programming languages such as Python, R as well as database management and distributed computing frameworks such as Pandas, SQL and Spark.
- Experienced with *version control tools* such as Git and operating in Linux environments.

Education

• University of Toronto PhD Statistics, Withdrew from Program

(2017 - 2019)

- Coursework includes topics in Statistical Learning Theory such as PAC learning, Online learning and Boosting.
- Received NSERC Engage (value of 25,000 CAD) and Mitacs Accelerate (value of 15,000 CAD) funding from 2017 to 2018 for research in demand forecasting at Rubikloud Technologies Inc.
- Received Mitacs Accelerate (value of 10,000 CAD) funding in 2019 for research in market forecasting at TMX Group Inc.
- University of Toronto MSc Statistics, GPA: 3.80/4.00

(2016 - 2017)

- Coursework includes topics in Applied Statistics, Measure Theory and Machine Learning.
- Performed teaching and grading duties for Probability, Multivariate Data Analysis and Statistical Methods for Machine Learning.
- Awarded Ontario Graduate Scholarship Masters (value of 15,000 CAD).
- University of Toronto Hons BSc Statistics, GPA: 3.83/4.00

(2012 - 2016)

- Awarded Dean's List (top 20^{th} percentile) for Years 2, 3, 4.
- Awarded the Morneau Shepell Scholarship in Actuarial Science in Year 2 (value of 2,500 CAD) for coursework in Actuarial Science.
- Received Undergraduate Student Research Awards (NSERC) in Years 3, 4 (value of 6,000 CAD each) for research in Loss Models and Reserving.

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

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