TJ Slezak

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Skills

Programming
Python
SQL
R
Unix/Linux
Scala

Machine Learning
decision trees
random forest
linear & logistic regression
gradient boosting
time-series analysis & forecasting
predictive modeling
data structures & pipelines
web scraping & data mining
dimensionality reduction
bayesian inference
natural language processing
A/B testing
recommenders

Tech Stack
Docker, Tableau
Cloud: AWS, GCP, Azure
Hadoop, Spark, & Dask
PostgreSQL & mongoDB
ArcGIS, QGIS, & GDAL

Education

Certificate | Data Science
Galvanize Inc. | 2019

MS | Geology
Brigham Young University | 2017
- Research: shape analysis of craters
- Advisor: Jani Radebaugh

BS | Earth & Space Exploration (Geological Sciences)
Arizona State University | 2015
- Minor: Sci., Tech., & Society

Community

DesertPy Co-Organizer
2018 - Present

Experience

Galvanize | Data Science Fellow
Fall 2018 - Present
- advanced data science skills through projects and collaboration
- analyzed Phoenix metro hit & run accident prevalence using open data
- examined use cases for modern satellite data in machine learning applications

Brigham Young University | Research & Teaching Assistant
Fall 2015 - Winter 2017
- investigated how landform morphology relates to geologic processes
- delivered science content and materials at the university level
- developed course curriculum to meet new educational objectives

Lunar and Planetary Institute | Graduate Exploration Intern
Summer 2016
- planned a human-telerobotic mission on an international team for NASA HQ
- prepared & analyzed global lunar datasets
- identified high-value science targets for future lunar exploration

Arizona State University | Pancam Team Research Aid
Fall 2013 – Summer 2015
- processed & calibrated raw imagery acquired by the Opportunity (Mars) rover
- co-managed science team workstations, servers, & scientific software

Jet Propulsion Laboratory | NASA PGGURP Research Intern
Summer 2014
- updated slope stability analysis for thermal constraints to refine predictions
- constrained the mechanical strength and composition of Io's upper crust

U.S. Geological Survey, Astrogeology Branch | Research Associate
Summer 2013
- tested the strength of Io's crust using observations and proposed compositions
- performed slope stability analysis on 50+ physical and material variables

Projects

Slezak, 2019: "Geomapper" https://github.com/tjslezak/capstone </>
- A predictive geologic mapping tool using multi-spectral satellite imagery and a convolutional neural network model to map regions of Arizona's geology.

Allender E.J., et al. 2018. Traverses for the ISECG—GER Design Reference Mission for Humans on the Lunar Surface. Advances in Space Research.

Slezak T.J., J. Radebaugh, and E.H. Christiansen 2018. Quantitative Morphological Classification of Craterforms Using Multivariate Outline-Based Shape Analysis. Lunar Planet. Sci. XLVIII, #2640.