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EDUCATION

Columbia University *M.A. in Statistics, New York*

GPA: 4.00

Expected Dec 2018

Fudan University *B.A. in Economics, Shanghai*

GPA: 3.53/4.00

Sept.2012 - July.2017

Model: Lasso Ridge, SVM, AdaBoost, Bagging, K-means, Logistic, Hierarchy Bayesian, EM algorithm, lightGBM

Tools: SQL, Python, R, Git, Opencv, Scikit-learn, D3, Tensorflow, Tableau

WORK EXPERIENCE

Adatos A.I., New York, *Machine learning engineer Intern*

Jun.2018 – Present

- Implemented a Deep Learning, powered model for palm tree detection and localization, yield estimation on high resolution satellite images
- Designed the automated end-to-end data pipeline for the Alpha2 product on satellite image analysis via python.
- Build a dashboard for internal use to help geospatial analysts learn and use Deep Learning models and Computer Vision algorithms to analyze satellite images (image segmentation, classification, regression, clustering, feature importance analysis, and etc.)

Fudan Institute of Data Science: Analysis of Electricity User Behavior Under Different Pricing Policies in Shanghai

Aug.2017

- Found an interesting time gap between the hourly electricity consumption of flat-rate and non-flat rate users from the relational database
- Quantify the price elasticity between the two group users and propose a new pricing policy for the Electric Power Company

Guotai Junan Securities, Shanghai *Intern, Commodities Research*

Mar.2016

- Completed a historical correlation analysis of NYMEX crude-oil and palm tree oil price for investment recommendations
- Wrote consistently three months technical investment daily reports which were pushed onto the Guotai Junan Group's website

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Data Mining for Target Marketing (1st Place Award) – 2018 American Statistical Association DataFest

April.2018

- Discovered the dominant features like license-required, job description that can boost job-matching efficiency
- Analyzed the current market for Indeed and leverage external data like Social Capital Index to evaluate the potential market

Sentiment Analysis and Topic Modeling with twitter comments on US-China Trade War:

<http://statisticspower.ml/>

April. 2018

- Use interactive D3 to visualize the retweet relation networks and found those influential opinion leaders on this topic
- Visualize majority opinion's shift across a series of events after performing sentiment analysis on all the comments
- Use LDA for topic modeling and found pro and cons argument for both sides in this debate

Image Classification Project on Dog, Muffins and Fried Chickens

Top 1 out of 8 teams

Mar.2018

- Improved a classification baseline model (GBM with decision stumps) with lower running time cost and higher prediction accuracy
- Used three image feature selection models, including SIFT, RGB, ORB with eight classification models
- Implemented GBM, SVM, XgBoost, Random Forest, Neural Network, AdaBoost, Logistic Regression and Classification Trees.

R shiny App: Visualization For Fire Accidents in NYC

https://jz2891.shinyapps.io/fire_rescue_nyc/

Mar.2018

- Build an interactive map using R shiny to visualize the fire incidents location in the New York City to raise people's awareness
- Create a d3 data-driven interactive plot for distribution changes of fire incident type across time

Recommendation System: Collaborative Filtering Algorithm with MS Website and Movie Score Dataset

April.2018

- Implement a memory-based strategy Bayesian Clustering with EM algorithm from scratches
- Evaluating different algorithms based on a rank-scoring system

Colloquial Trend in President Inauguration Speeches

<https://bit.ly/2KDLxv8>

Feb.2018

- Quantify the difficulty of each speech by grammar complexity and choice of the word
- Found that the presidents inauguration speeches have a steady decline in using "educated" languages across time

Alibaba Cloud Algorithm Competition: Future Challenge Helping Balloons Navigate the Weather

Top 5%

Jan.2018

- Planned safe and fastest flight routes for ten unmanned balloons to deliver packages to their destination
- Creatively implemented the A-Star algorithm in 3-Dimension space to solve the obstacle changing problem

INTEREST

- Swimming (2000m nonstop with medley)