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Summary

Data-driven problem solver working as a data analyst. Have collected, analyzed, and visualized interactive web maps in Streamlit, GitHub pages, and Google Colab using Python's Folium, PyDeck, and GeoPandas libraries, as well as JavaScript's Mapbox GL JS and Deck GL libraries. Scraped, geocoded, analyzed, and visualized residential real estate sales in metro Atlanta counties using Python's Seleium and Pandas libraries. I have worked in various analytical roles but have thrived most when working with quantitative datasets which can be visualized in a dashboard or mapping environment.

Have previously worked as a commercial real estate appraiser for a small firm in Hall County, a business analyst for an electric cooperative in Jackson County, and a business analyst for a small hiking boutique in Portland, Oregon. Helped streamline the CRM and workflows through Smartsheet platform. Created various data dashboards for hiking tour logistics. As a research analyst for Johnson Economics, I assisted senior staff with gathering, analyzing, and visualizing data of multi-family development projects around Portland, Oregon.

Technical Skills

Tools: JupyterLab, VSCode, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, Python, Pandas, GeoPandas, Streamlit, Folium, Pydeck, Mapbox GL JS, Deck GL, scikit-learn, Excel VBA, QGIS, ArcGIS, Esri Business Analyst Online

Databases: PostgreSQL, MongoDB

Projects

Forsyth County Housing Dashboard | <https://forsyth-housing.streamlit.app/>

- Scraped and geocoded over 32,000 home sales in the metro Atlanta county of Forsyth from 2018 to early 2023
- Utilized Python framework Streamlit, as well as custom web styling, to build fully interactive and 3D geospatial dashboard showing trends in home sale prices over time
- Incorporated sidebar UI components to allow filtering of data based on year sold, year built, and neighborhood of sale

Homeownership Blog Post |

<https://33n.atlantaregional.com/data-diversions/homeownership-rates-by-race-and-ethnicity-a-closer-look>

- Analyzed Census tracts using ACS data to determine locations of Black homeownership rates around metro Atlanta
- Visualized 3D geospatial data showing homeownership rates by color shading and

overall Black population by polygon extrusion height for 11 counties of the metro area

Demographic & Infrastructure Map | <https://github.com/svnresearch/general>

- Lead research initiative and used automation in Python to collect, analyze, and visualize geospatial data using Jupyter notebook and libraries such as Folium, Pandas, Geopandas, and GeoJSON formatting
- Generated interactive, web-based custom maps visualizing data on demographics, DOT traffic and infrastructure projects, geocoded public records data, and school ratings
- Deployed visualizations using Github pages

Python API Challenge | <https://github.com/wwright21/python-api-challenge>

- Created Python script to visualize weather of a randomly-generated set of 500+ international cities
- Generated a series of scatter plots to visualize relationships of various weather phenomena to the distance of each city from the equator
- Used Python and Matplotlib library for the visualizations

Experience

Sr. Data Analyst | August 2022 – Present Atlanta Regional Commission

- Creating automated pipelines of data to frontend web visualizations and dashboards using a combination of Python, JavaScript, HTML, CSS.
- Contributing regularly to Atlanta Regional's 33N blog on matters relating to housing affordability, migration, demographic shifts, workforce, and others
- Providing actionable and relevant analysis to local policy makers on community-driven topics

Commercial Real Estate Appraiser | July 2018 – August 2023 J. Lawson & Associates

- Providing appraisal expertise for industrial, retail, and office properties located predominantly in Forsyth, Hall, Gwinnett, and Barrow counties
- Communicating regularly with local jurisdictions and professionals in real estate and finance to assist in performing market research
- Performing regular site visits to subject properties as part of the appraisal process

Market Analyst (Part-Time) | May 2015 – Present SVN Hokayem Co.

- Providing analytical research and mapping support to a local commercial real estate company
- Leveraging Python programming for GIS applications, as well as Jupyter notebooks and Selenium for web automation geocoding
- Deploying custom, presentation-ready visualizations to GitHub pages

Business Intelligence Analyst | Sept. 2017 – April 2018 Jackson EMC

- Aided with key performance indicator (KPI) tracking and benchmarking
- Created dashboards in web-based solution for departments across the cooperative
- Developed automated Excel workflow processes for greater efficiencies

Policy Analyst | Oct. 2016 – Sept. 2017 Western Economic Services (Portland, OR)

- Provided GIS analysis of demographic data for fair housing assessments around the US
- Analyzed factors that affect fair housing choices among residents
- Wrote Python scripts for map-building automation

Assistant Planner Oct. 2015 – June 2016 Mackenzie (Portland, OR)

- Prepared GIS maps and other research support for senior staff

Education

Full Stack Development with MERN: Massachusetts Institute of Technology

[*expected completion:* February 2024]

A 32-week software development program focused on the popular MERN stack in web development: MongoDB, Express, React, and Node.js. The course covers the basics of JavaScript, HTML, CSS, as well as server-side development.

Data Science & Analytics Boot Camp Certificate: Georgia Institute of Technology

[September 2022]

A 24-week intensive program focused on gaining technical programming skills in Excel, Python programming, JavaScript, HTML5/CSS, API Interactions, PostgreSQL, Tableau, fundamental statistics, machine learning, Git/GitHub.

Master of Urban & Regional Planning: Virginia Commonwealth University

[May 2015]

- Post-baccalaureate certificate, GIS
- Winner of 2015 Claudia Paine Memorial Award for top research presentation
- L. Douglas Wilder Graduate Scholars Fellow (2014-2015)
- Graduate Teaching Assistantship (2013-2014)

Bachelor of Science, Math & Economics: Furman University

[May 2011]

-Recipient of Achievers Scholarship (2010)