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SUMMARY

5+ years experiences in data science and machine learning, a well-trained scientist in mathematical optimization and algorithm development, passionate presenter with extensive knowledge in numerical methods for solving large scale statistical learning problems.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Operations Research, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ 2010-2016 B.A. in Mathematics, Minor: Statistics, Rutgers University, NJ. Magna Cum Laude 2006-2010

RESEARCH

Ph.D. Dissertation: Approximate Versions of Alternating Direction Method of Multipliers

- Developed 3 new numerical algorithms for multi-block optimization models in machine learning
- Implemented new engine for common optimization problems in ML with **Matlab**, wrote a library including **conjugate gradient**, **L-BFGS** and **gradient decent** algorithms as sub-solvers
- Overall computing overhead is reduced by 30% compared with classical frameworks

WORK EXPERIENCE

Honeywell International Inc. Data Scientist, Data Science CoE Oct. 2016 - Present

- Lead data engineers to cleanup over 1 TB raw power consumption data consists of 1.5 million text files on **Azure** cluster through creating reusable **pyspark** library and establishing **Hive** database
- Selected features from weather data, day of week and partial ACF, implemented a **RBF Neural Network** model with **R** for short-term power load **time series** prediction
- Utilized external property data, carried out univariate analysis and segregated population into 15 micro segments by maximizing the margin of average power consumption
- Trained unusual usage model on segment level on cluster using **sparklyr** for specifying abnormal observations to convert extremely imbalanced population into balanced training dataset
- Using water usage, smart meter events/status data, trained a energy theft detection model
- Received Bravo recognition award, heavily interacted with implementation team, data scientists and business via advising, mentoring and presenting

Chubb Corporation Claim Actuarial Modeler, Advanced Analytics May 2015 - Oct. 2016

- \bullet Performed data engineering on ~ 10 million rows of claims/medical data to create ~ 100 variables
- Built decision tree severity model for 7-Eleven bodily injury claims at first contact and logistic regression model including **text mining** variables at 6-month evaluation point using **SAS EG**
- Conducted **social network analysis** and established network-revenue model for underwriters with **iGraph**, helped lower performs to create more revenue by a margin of 5%
- Created SAS codes for monitoring and tracking models performance in production system

Novartis Pharmaceuticals Intern, Advanced Quantitative Science May - Aug. 2014

- Designed an interactive web application for clinicians to compare numerical simulation results of dosage selection for different groups of patients
- Implemented the web service using Linux, Apache web server, along with MySQL, Python and R for server-side, Javascript and HTML5 for client-side programming

DHS - Rutgers CoE (CCICADA) Advanced Analytics Researcher Jan.-Jun. 2013

- Captured and analyzed complex information given by U.S. Coast Guard to establish the optimal boat-allocation integer programming model with **Xpress-Mosel**
- Recommended the best boat-sharing plan for U.S. Coast Guard to cover required mission hours under tight budget and presented the analysis and delivered the product to the C-level management

Eli Lilly and Company Intern, Data Visualization May - Aug. 2012, and Jul. - Dec. 2013

- Tested extensively the Bioprocess Data Collection System Data Mart(BDCSDM) with SQL
- Automated the visualization tool to be database driven, eliminating maintenance overhead
- Developed automated filtration experiment data acquisition application to interface with previously under-utilized costly advanced **IoT** equipments