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Presentation Letter

I am a Data Scientist with a strong background in machine learning, optimization, and MLOps, focused on developing scalable AI solutions and deploying models into production. I hold a Bachelor's in Electronic Engineering and a Master's in Information Systems, with international academic experience across Japan, the United Kingdom, and Canada. This diverse background has equipped me with strong analytical skills, the ability to quickly understand and implement state-of-the-art research, and a scientific approach to solving complex industry challenges.

In my industry experience, I have worked extensively with machine learning and deep learning frameworks to train and fine-tune models for predictive modeling, anomaly detection, and computer vision. My expertise in MLOps enables me to design and implement end-to-end pipelines that ensure reproducibility and scalability. Leveraging tools like MLflow, Docker, and cloud platforms such as AWS and DigitalOcean, I have successfully deployed machine learning models and integrated them into production via API services.

With a strong foundation in statistical analysis and optimization, I am particularly interested in Generative AI and LLMs, actively exploring their potential in real-world applications. I am eager to contribute to cutting-edge AI solutions and look forward to collaborating with professionals and organizations driving AI innovation in production environments.

Professional Experience

WEG

Jaragua do Sul, Brazil

 $Data\ Scientist$

Jun. 2024 - Present

- Predictive Maintenance & Anomaly Detection: Designed and deployed machine learning and deep learning models for predictive maintenance and condition monitoring of wind turbines.
- End-to-End MLOps: Developed a scalable and automated MLOps pipeline using MLflow, Docker, and AWS, ensuring reproducible model training, deployment, and continuous monitoring in production environments.
- AI Deployment & Cloud Integration: Integrated ML models into production via API services, optimizing model inference for real-time anomaly detection and predictive analytics.

Macnica DHW Florianópolis, Brazil

 $Data\ Scientist$

Nov. 2022 - Oct. 2023

• Supervised Learning: Developed machine learning models for data classification to support the development of an intelligent sensor.

- Computer Vision APIs: Built and deployed APIs for computer vision applications, including an anonymization API that removes people from videos.
- IoT Development: Led the development of an IoT product, implementing MQTT communication and used InfluxDB for time series data storage.

University of Warwick, Warwick Business School

Coventry, United Kingdom

Ph.D. Research

Oct. 2019 - Apr. 2022

- Field of Research: Ranking & Selection; Bayesian Optimization; Reinforcement Learning.
- Research: Under the supervision of Juergen Branke, focused on budget-efficient policy learning in sequential decision problems, improving sampling efficiency in Monte Carlo Tree Search (MCTS).
- Collaboration: Worked with Prof. Chun-Hung Chen (George Mason University, US) on Bayesian approaches for optimal decision-making.

Shinshu University

Nagano, Japan

MSc Research

Apr. 2017 - Mar. 2019

- Field of Research: Multi-objective Optimization; Genetic algorithms; Evolutionary Computation.
- Research: Studied the impact of Pareto set topologies on multi-objective evolutionary algorithms (MOEAs) and developed a novel method to enhance their performance.
- International Collaboration: Worked with researchers from Japan, Mexico, and France.
- Recognition: Received the Student Best Paper Award at EMO-2019 (Michigan State University, US).

SSE Gridtech Curitiba, Brazil

• Internship

Oct. 2014 - Dec. 2015

R&D Engineer

Jan. 2016 - Aug. 2016

• Smart Grid & IoT Solutions: Developed a long-range LoRaWAN-based communication system to optimize smart metering infrastructure, reducing GSM dependency.

Education

Shinshu University

Nagano, Japan

Master of Engineering in Electronics and Information System

Apr. 2017 - Mar. 2019

o MEXT Monbukagakusho Scholarship (Japanese Government)

Concordia University

Montreal, Canada

Exchange Student, Electrical Engineering

Aug. 2012 - Aug. 2013

• Science Without Borders Scholarship (Brazilian Government)

Federal University of Technology - Parana

Curitiba, Brazil

Bachelor of Engineering in Electronics

Jan. 2010 - Jul. 2016

Technical Expertise

Programming Languages: Python, C, C++, Bash (Unix Shell).

Machine Learning Frameworks: PyTorch, scikit-learn, XGBoost, FastAI.

MLOps & Deployment Tools: Docker, MLflow, Hydra, Git, CI/CD (GitLab, GitHub Actions), FastAPI.

Data Engineering & Pipelines: Dask, PostgreSQL, Redshift, InfluxDB, SQL.

Cloud Platforms: AWS (SageMaker, ECR, S3, EC2), DigitalOcean.

Optimization: Bayesian Optimization, Multi-objective Evolutionary Algorithms.

Operating Systems: Linux (Fedora, Ubuntu), Windows.

Languages

Portuguese: Native

English: Fluent

Japanese: Conversational

Projects

End-to-End Machine Learning Pipeline for Short-Term Rental Price Prediction

https://github.com/yurimarca/build-ml-pipeline-for-short-term-rental-prices

- Developed a reproducible ML pipeline to predict short-term rental prices in New York City, ensuring scalability for weekly data updates.
- Implemented data ingestion, cleaning, validation, and feature engineering processes to prepare datasets for modeling.
- Trained and optimized a Random Forest regression model, employing hyperparameter tuning to enhance predictive performance.
- Utilized MLflow for experiment tracking and model management, and integrated Weights & Biases for artifact tracking and visualization.
- Designed the pipeline for seamless retraining with new data, facilitating continuous model improvement and deployment.

Publications

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- Y. P. Marca, C. E. A. L. Rocha, B. Schneider Jr, F. K. Schneider. Plataforma de Apoio ao Processo Decisório em Pesquisa e Desenvolvimento Tecnológico em Saúde. Congresso Brasileiro de Engenharia Biomédica, 2012, Porto de Galinhas. ANAIS - CBEB 2012, 2012.
- M. P. Krause, D. M. Nakato, Y. P. Marca, F. K. Schneider. Gerenciamento do Controle da Glicemia Utilizando um Aplicativo para Celular. Congresso Brasileiro de Engenharia Biomédica, 2012, Porto de Galinhas. ANAIS - CBEB 2012, 2012.