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EDUCATION

Rice University, Houston, TX

Master of Science in Industrial Engineering

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National Chiao Tung University, Taiwan, Hsinchu

Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering and Management

July 2019

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

General Inverse Markov Decision Process (GIMDP) Model, University of Houston, May. 2020 - present

- Implemented a GIMDP model using Python and Gurobi to find the optimal policy and optimal reward function based on the noisy (input) actions.
- Extended the model to the finite-horizon version so that GIMDP has more practical applications.
- Currently searching a proper measurement to demonstrate the difference of the performances between IMDP and GIMDP.

RELATED PROJECTS

Capstone Project, SunNet/Rice University, Houston,

Nov. 2019 - present

- Identified SunNet's possible problems regarding the N-sided platform.
- Currently designing the price strategy and proper connecting ways of the different sides to assist Sunnet in making profit.

Coffeeshop Value Chain Management, Rice University, Houston,

Nov. 2019

- Calculated and forecasting the demand of specific inventory(milk) the coffee shop runs out often with statistical survey and the sale record to solve the stockout.
- Applied value chain concept by evaluating their process from inventory to the customer end, and suggested the coffee shop a better policy to improve its performance.
- Demonstrated strong negotiating skill during communication with the coffee shop managers.

Bluetooth Beer Game, National Chiao Tung University, Taiwan,

Aug. 2017 - Aug. 2018

- Built up an APP modeling supply chain to enhance students' understanding by practical operation
- Improved programming languages including JAVA and Python

Campus Restaurant Simulation, National Chiao Tung University, Taiwan,

Aug. 2016

- Built up a model using Flexim to simulate and analyze the campus restaurants' performances.
- Provided advice to the restaurants in order to help them improve their performance.

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

- Simulation and Modeling
- Prescriptive Analysis
- Operation Research
- Mathematical Probability
- Manufacturing Process
- Statistical Inference
- **Human Factor**
- Decomposition approach in large-scale optimization

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Executive, Documentary" Step in Love",

June 2016 – August 2017

Continuous Optimization

Supply Chain Management

- Filmed a documentary of dancing flash-mob at four cities in Taiwan
- Enhanced leadership and management skill through recruiting members and planning schedules