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A data science specialist with years of working experience in data engineering, system design and implementation, predictive modeling, and data visualization. Keen to apply computer science and statistical analysis (machine learning) expertise to data platforms design, implementation, and refining.

A hard worker with excellent learning skills and abilities to work in a fast-paced, dynamic, cross-functional, and highly pressured environment. An enthusiastic heart for data science and IT industries.

Education

University of Chicago - Master of Science in Analytics

03/2016 - 12/2018

Courses: Adv. Machine learning, Statistical Analysis, Time Series, Deep Learning, NLP, Bayesian Methods Honorable Capstone Showcase for Graduation (GPA: 3.9)

DePaul University - Master of Science in Computer Game Development Graduation with distinction (GPA: 3.98)

09/2009 - 03/2012

Skills

Field & Practices: Machine Learning, Database, Data Mining, Distributed Computing, Statistical Analysis, Mobile development, Deep Learning, Web development.

Programming Language: Python, R, Swift, SQL, C#, Objective-C, Java, C++, SAS, CSS, JavaScript, PHP...

Frameworks: Spark, Scikit-learn, Shiny, Torch, iOS, ASP.net, OpenGL, Android, Keras, Vue, React, spaCy

Tools: Linux, Visual Studio, XCode, R studio, git, Azure, AWS, PyCharm, Eclipse, Jira, Unity3D, Snowflake, Tableau

Experience

IM Research Data Analyst @ William Blair & Company

6/2018 - now

- Backtesting, visualization, and NLP projects for finance (Python, R, Spark, Shiny)
- Designed and implemented the internal performance data pipeline; updated related attribution R packages.
- Designed and implemented the data validation framework and related frontend applications.
- Implemented financial valuation modeling API and data pipeline.

Data Science Instructor @ Coding Temple

1/2018 - 6/2018

- Designed and wrote data science curriculums covering machine learning algorithms and programming languages.
- Lecturer of Database Design, NLP, Machine learning, Python, Web development (Flask) classes

Software Engineer @ Echelon Consulting, L.L.C.

5/2012 - 9/2017

- Visualization Price Reporting dashboard for Analysis: SQL Server, ASP Web API, Kendo UI,
- Athletic Club Website and Mobile App: Database design. ASP web API design and implementation. Drupal (PHP) and jQuery frontend implementation. Sales mobile iOS app with transaction functionalities (frontend to backend).
- Synergy Financial Analysis Project: Developed core financial web applications (with analysis and visualization competent) for a global business using ASP.Net MVC, Dojo JS and SQL Server.
- Mobile Apps for a Global Law Firm: Implemented secured iOS/Android apps (front-end to back-end).
- Liferay Portal Site: Upgraded the company website for a global management consulting firm using Liferay. Implementing and supporting the company HR and portal website (Java).
- Location Tracking app: Implemented tracking system with a hybrid app (Cordova) component.

Software developer internships @ Space to Play

2/2012 - 4/2012

• Accomplished a 3Ds Max plug-in in C++, which facilitates editing and visualization of urban 3D building models from a geo-spatial database (Post GIS).

Graduate Assistant and Tech support @ CDM, DePaul University

01/2011 - 03/2012

Network Engineer @ China Mobile

08/2007 - 03/2009

- Analyzed, and refined the central node of the company PSTN network
- Analytics tools development for a multiple million equipment upgrading projects