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## SUMMARY

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Driven and principled professional with over five years of experience as an analyst in accounting roles. Recent graduate with a master's degree in Data Analytics, with a strong interest in utilizing machine learning & artificial intelligence to solve problems and develop actionable insights.

## EXPERIENCE

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### **Accounting Analyst II** **Crestwood Midstream Partners LP** **April 2018 – January 2021**

- Cleaned, analyzed, and aggregated accounting transaction data to produce monthly preliminary forecasts and financial reconciliation statements to support bulk NGL production and trading
- Orchestrated settlements for complex multi-modal transactions by standardizing data and developing detailed tracking of NGL transactions from multiple sources
- Developed Python script to automate expense entry into ERP system

### **Accounting Analyst I** **Crestwood Midstream Partners LP** **August 2015 – April 2018**

- Collaborated with traders and logistics coordinators to oversee daily contract allocations and billing for LPG commodities trading, and analyzed accounting transaction data to detect and resolve discrepancies

## SKILLS

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**Programming Languages:** Python, SQL, R

**Tools:** Pandas, PySpark, MLlib, OpenCV, NLTK, Numpy, Scikit-learn, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Tableau, Alteryx, Matplotlib, Git

## EDUCATION

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### **M.S. Data Analytics** **Kansas State University**

- GPA: 4.0
- Relevant Coursework: Programming for Data Science, Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, IT Strategy, Statistics, Applied Marketing Analytics, Data Mining, Econometrics

### **B.S. Finance** **Kansas State University**

## PROJECTS

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**Image Feature Extraction & Classification (2021):** Evaluated feature extraction methods and performance of classification algorithms with a data set of satellite images, implemented 10-fold cross validation with a paired t-test to validate evaluation results, and deployed on a Spark cluster with AWS. Python, PySpark, MLlib, OpenCV, Numpy, GCP, AWS

**Deep Reinforcement Learning (2021):** Evaluated methods of improving a Proximal Policy Optimization Deep RL model with modifications to the state-space, the action-space, and the reward function for a game-playing agent. Python, OpenAI Gym Retro, OpenAI Baselines, TensorFlow, GCP

**Deep Learning Text Generation (2022):** Trained and evaluated unconditional text generation natural language models for generating song lyrics. Python, PyTorch

**Statistical Analysis of Home Pricing (2022):** Conducted statistical analysis of home pricing and evaluated a linear model versus a more-complex generalized additive model. R, ggplot2

## CERTIFICATIONS

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**CompTIA Cloud Essentials+** ([issued 12/2021](#))