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PROFILE

Computer Science Engineer, Master in Systems Engineering and PhD in Economics. Has extensive experience leading and working on experimentation and data science projects to strategically support decision-making and drive business results. Has developed experimentation and data science apps, supervised and unsupervised machine learning models using Python and SQL, Power BI dashboards and statistical analyses using Python, Stata and SPSS to support decision-making and the development of improved business strategies. Skilled in Python, SQL, Machine Learning, NLP, Pandas, Numpy, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Scikit-learn, Keras, Streamlit, FastAPI, VS Code, Git, Amazon SageMaker, Postgres, Power BI, Stata and SPSS. Interested in data science and machine learning roles with career development as a technical leader.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Ministry of Information and Communication Technologies of Colombia
Data Scientist   *03.2023 – 12.2023*
- Implement extract, transform and load (ETL) processes and components that support data science initiatives
- Develop data science and machine learning products to support decision-making in different areas and drive business results
- Manage data science projects addressing data collection, preparation and storage and its exploitation for evaluating strategies and value generation

Achievements
- Led the construction of a composite index in Python with more than 40,000 school records to support the Internet connectivity prioritization policy
- Developed Python code to clean and extract data from legal documents using regular expressions and ChatGPT through the OpenAI API
- Built 5 dashboards using Power BI to track the effectiveness of Internet connectivity and Information Technology training projects
- Created 2 updated map templates of Colombian towns and departments using Python and Power Query for the standardization of Power BI dashboards

Correlation One
Data Science Fellow   *03.2022 – 07.2022*
- Identify relevant data sources and collect the data necessary to address business problems using tools such as Python and its interaction with APIs
- Perform data preparation processes (cleaning, transformation and feature engineering) to ensure data quality and integrity
- Build and train predictive models using data science and machine learning techniques to support decision-making

Achievements
- Performed an extract, transform and load (ETL) process with more than 1.5 million traffic accident records using Python, SQL and Postgres
- Built heatmap visualizations using Python, SQL and Seaborn to analyze motorcycle accident risks, identifying that more than 50% of accidents occur with passenger vehicles and other motorcycles
- Developed an unsupervised machine learning model using Python and SQL that clusters highway corridors for road safety operations, prioritizing corridors that total close to 50% of accidents and more than 40% of fatalities

Universidad del Rosario

Associate Data Researcher   *09.2021 – 01.2022*

- Design, direct and coordinate research programs and projects that generate insights for decision-making using data science solutions
- Collect relevant data using experimentation, A/B tests and surveys, among others, to address and provide solutions to strategic business questions
- Implement data science and machine learning solutions that drive business results using Python, R, Stata and other analytics tools

Achievements

- Designed and directed the implementation of a decision-making experiment with more than 500 participants to generate strategies to improve organizational service levels.
- Trained supervised machine learning models using Python that show that expedited shipping increases inventory availability by around 20%

Universidad del Rosario

Assistant Data Researcher   *04.2016 – 09.2021*

- Direct, coordinate and participate in research and innovation spaces that support decision-making and generate value using data science and machine learning solutions
- Design and implement data collection instruments such as experiments, A/B tests, surveys and interviews that support analytics initiatives
- Develop machine learning models using analytics tools such as Stata, SPSS and similar to evaluate the impact of inventory policy and risk management on business performance

Achievements

- Designed and led the implementation of a decision-making experiment to test risk mitigation strategies that scale manufacturing levels
- Built supervised machine learning models using Stata that show how risk-sharing contracts increase inventory availability by around 5%
- Performed data science analyses that show how inventory transshipment increases supply chain efficiency by more than 10%

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), *Data Researcher - Postdoctoral Fellow 2014 - 2015*
Università della Svizzera italiana (USI), *Data Researcher - Doctoral Assistant 2009 - 2013*

EDUCATION

Università della Svizzera italiana, *PhD in Economics 2009- 2013*
Universidad Nacional de Colombia, *Master's in Systems Engineering 2008 - 2009*
Universidad Nacional de Colombia, *Bachelor's in Systems and Informatics Engineering 2003 - 2007*

SKILLS

Technical skills: Data science, Machine Learning, Analytics, Natural Language Processing (NLP), Extract Load Transform (ETL), Web scraping, Data wrangling, Data visualization, Pandas, Numpy, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Scikit-learn, Keras, Streamlit, FastAPI, VS Code, Git, Amazon SageMaker, Postgres, Power BI, Stata, SPSS, Excel, Qualtrics
Soft skills: Rigor, Organization, Teamwork, Proactivity, Planning, Communication