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Personal Profile

I am a Senior Research Programmer at the Decision Science Center, Tecnológico de Monterrey, specializing in data science and machine learning for climate action, urban development, and sustainable policy. I hold an M.S. in Computer Science (Machine Learning) from Georgia Tech and have experience developing predictive models, data pipelines, and simulations for large-scale socio-economic and environmental analysis. My background includes research roles at IPICyT and Harvard Medical School, where I applied ML, software development, and 3D bioprinting techniques. Fluent in English and Spanish, I am a research-driven professional passionate about applying data science and ML to solve challenges.

Skills

Programming Python (Pandas, NumPy, Scikit-learn, XGBoost, Statsmodels, Matplotlib, Seaborn, SHAP), SQL, Git, Jupyter Notebooks

Machine Learning

Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA), Model Selection & Evaluation, Forecasting & Time Series (ARIMA, ETS), Classification, Regression,

Clustering, Feature Engineering, Dimensionality Reduction, Data Visualization

Tools Tableau, Amazon Web Services (AWS), Git/GitHub, Conda, VS Code

Work Experience

Senior Research Programmer

Benito Juarez, Mexico City, Mexico

Tecnologico de Monterrey

October 2024 – Present

- Implemented system dynamics models in Python, including a societal collapse model and a housing affordability model.
- Developed ensemble experimentation pipelines and applied unsupervised learning (GMM, KMeans) on time series outputs to identify scenario taxonomies.
- Built an XGBoost-based surrogate model to approximate SISEPUEDE outputs, enabling faster optimization workflows.
- Engineered a **PSO-based calibration pipeline** for complex simulation models, improving predictive accuracy.
- Supported World Bank teams with mitigation pathway simulations via SISEPUEDE, contributing to CCDR reports for multiple countries.
- Created a hybrid forecasting framework combining Random Forest with ARIMA to project CO₂-equivalent emissions.

Research Engineer San Luis Potosi, Mexico

IPICyT

August 2021 - July 2022

- Developed **Python-based ETL pipelines** to collect, clean, and store **air quality sensor data** for large-scale analysis.
- Applied **regression models** to calibrate sensors, achieving $R^2 > 0.9$ when validated against commercial monitors.
- Implemented data preprocessing and visualization workflows using Pandas and Matplotlib to analyze time series trends.
- Automated data acquisition and reporting, reducing manual work and improving the efficiency of analysis pipelines.

Research Trainee Boston, MA, USA

Brigham and Women's Hospital / Harvard Medical School

June 2019 – January 2020

- Developed a **3D printer** for creating small **biomaterial constructs** aimed at **tissue engineering applications**.
- Built control software and a user interface for the 3D printer using Arduino, C++, and Python, enhancing system automation and usability.
- Designed paper-based devices for in vitro tissue modeling, utilizing extrusion-based hydrogel bioprinting techniques.
- Conducted original research resulting in publications in renowned academic journals.

Education

Georgia Institute of Technology

Atlanta, GA, USA

MS in Computer Science

August 2022 - May 2024

Courses: Algorithms, Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Data and Visual Analytics, Computer Vision, Robotics

Tecnologico de Monterrey

San Luis Potosi, Mexico

B.S. in Mechatronics Engineering

August 2016 - June 2021

Courses: Control Theory, Robotics, Intro to Programming, Linear Algebra, Statistics and Probability

Teaching.

Computer Science for Public Policy (Teaching Assistant)

Mexico Citv. Mexico

Tecnologico de Monterrey

Jan 2025 – Mar 2025

- Developed assignments, held office hours, and supported students with course material.
- · Assisted in teaching key concepts such as databases, data structures, algorithms, Python, Pandas, and SQL.

ECE 3741 Instrumentation & Electronics Lab (Teaching Assistant)

Atlanta, GA, USA

Georgia Institute of Technology

Aug 2022 - May 2024

- Led four weekly laboratory sessions per semester, guiding 120+ students in circuit analysis and electronics.
- Designed lab exams, graded assignments, and provided hands-on support for circuit implementation.