

EDWIN NG

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Technical Skills

Programming Languages: Python, R, C++, PySpark, bash, HIVE, MS SQL, C#, Java, HTML, CSS

Libraries & Software: PyTorch, TensorFlow, PyStan, Pyro, PyMC3, Tableau, R-Shiny

Statistics & Machine Learning: Bayesian statistics, marketing and sales models, multi-armed bandit, forecasting, AutoML, LSTM, RNN, CNN, gradient boosting, random forest LTV models, causal inference, experimentation analysis and design, optimization

Engineering: Docker, Git, TravisCI, Jenkins, Hadoop, AWS, Linux

Experience

Grocery Science @ Amazon.com Inc

San Francisco, CA

Senior Applied Scientist

May 2022 - Present

- Scope out my team tasks as the first and most senior scientist of the team by collaborating with PMs and Eng Managers
- Help team develop the right vision and mission, continuous communication system such as JIRA ticket system and team wiki
- Facilitate ASIN level forecast innovation and inventory planning in various stages such as scoping, modeling, data pipelines, productionization and stakeholders communication
- Host talks and workshops at team-level and org-level on topics such as productionizing scalable forecast, multivariate state-space forecast models, ensemble methods in forecasting and forecasting with casual components etc.

Uber Technologies Inc

San Francisco, CA

Manager II, Applied Science

March 2021 - Apr 2022

- Manage a team of applied scientists to support centralized and scalable data-driven solutions for marketing measurement and growth strategy in various lines of business including drivers, riders, eaters, couriers and restaurants etc.
- Run and grow a team of scientists including setting right vision and mission, mentorship, knowledge hub, sharing sessions, trust building etc.
- Encourage production-level code within marketing science org such as code review and documentation guidance, unit-tests and best-practices discussion with invited speakers
- Host and speak in team-level and company-level talks, workshops and training sessions
- Collaborate with HRs on strategies of hiring and team-building
- Lead scalable customers value (deep-learning) forecast platform as the pillar of return on advertisement spending (ROAS)
- Lead multi-touch attribution (MTA) models to provide impression level actionable insights
- Lead city level channels mixed hierarchical-forecasting models to provide cross-channels optimization strategy
- Lead centralized market level test platform for experimentation design and causal inference analysis using synthetic controls and interrupted time-series techniques
- Lead a time-series modeling platform and package as a general service to support projects such as infrastructure planning, fraud detection and budget planning in operations
- Collaborate with ops and marketers in advertisement bidding algorithms, budget optimization and performance reporting
- Collaborate with engineers to automate machine learning products with version control, monitoring system, data pipelines and dashboards
- Support uplift modeling to drive incremental gross-booking through intelligent targeting
- Support dynamic creatives on digital advertising display optimization through continuous Bayesian multi-arm bandit framework

Senior Applied Scientist I / TLM

Jan 2019 - March 2021

Applied Scientist I, II

Jan 2017 - Dec 2018

Ten-X.com (formerly Auction.com)

Belmont, CA

Data Scientist

Mar 2015 - Dec 2016

- Improved daily emails open rate by 50% with tree-based uplift model and look-alike algorithm
- Created a predictive model for residential properties valuation to enhance UX
- Designed A/B test for user experience/auction system experimentations

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- Built and maintained pipelines and dashboard to monitor auctions performance and predictive models health

PayPal Holdings, Inc.

Data Scientist

San Jose, CA

Mar 2014 - Mar 2015

- Provided analytics and modeling (random forest) for user acquisitions strategy
- Developed time-series model synthetic control to quantify impact from policy changes in different markets
- Automated pipelines and dashboard tracking PayPal Digital Gift-card(PPDG) store daily performance which generated 5 million plus annual revenue
- Led offshore team daily to provide various analytics for CRM campaigns over 50M+ active users

Tanius Technology, LLC.

Quantitative Developer

Alamo, CA

Jan 2013 - Feb 2014

Education

University of California, Los Angeles

M.S. in Statistics

Mar 2013

M.S. in Financial Engineering

Jan 2010

B.S. in Mathematics, Economics and Minor in Statistics

Jan 2009

External Influence

Open-Source Projects

- A python package for Object-Oriented Bayesian Time-Series Models *Oct 2020 - Present*
<https://github.com/uber/orbit>
- Rlgt: Bayesian Exponential Smoothing Models with Trend Modifications *Jan 2019 - Present*
<https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/Rlgt>

Public Speech

- KDD 2021, AdKDD “Bayesian Time Varying Coefficient Model with Applications to Marketing Mix Modeling” *Aug 2021*
<https://www.adkdd.org/2021-papers-and-talks>
- The 41st ISF – “Orbit - An Object-Oriented Python Package for Time-Series Models” *Jul 2021*
<https://isf.forecasters.org>
- San Diego State University, MKTG 480 - Marketing Analytics – “Marketing Science Overview @Uber” *Dec 2020*
<https://youtu.be/tHDgdcy8LVA>
- The 40th International Symposium on Forecasting (ISF) – “Probabilistic Forecasting applications in Uber” *Oct 2020*
https://youtu.be/LXDpq_iwcWY
- StanCon – “Orbit: Probabilistic Forecast with Exponential Smoothing” *Aug 2020*
<https://mc-stan.org/events/stancon2020/>

Publications

- Ng, Wang and Dai. “Bayesian Time Varying Coefficient Model with Applications to Marketing Mix Modeling” arXiv preprint arXiv:2106.03322 (2021)
- Ng, Wang, Chen, Yang and Smyl. “Orbit: Probabilistic Forecast with Exponential Smoothing” arXiv preprint arXiv:2004.08492 (2020)

Other Achievements

- Uber Eng Blog: Introducing Orbit, An Open Source Package for Time Series Inference and Forecasting *May 2021*
<https://eng.uber.com/orbit/>
- Top 10% (Bronze Medal) with Team ”CEZ” in M5 Forecasting - Accuracy *Aug 2020*
<https://www.kaggle.com/c/m5-forecasting-accuracy>
- Patent: Recommendation System Associated With an Online Market Place (Filed) AUCT.P040 : 504360126 *May 2017*