# Andrew Follmann

# Data Scientist

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# EXPERIENCE

# THOMSON REUTERS SPECIAL SERVICES | DATA SCIENTIST

July 2020 – Current | McLean, Virigina

- → Consult with internal clients about proof of concept research and analysis and customer needs.
- → Lead team in Kaggle-like competition to identify and classify fishing vessels in the open ocean on massive images, using SAR satellite data, coming in 7th.
- → Built bespoke anomaly models using statistical mixture models, in a large web-app, served through docker and flask.
- → Implement extreme classification models for hashtag prediction on Twitter.
- → Lead Ethical AI working group, presenting on current topics, mitigation mechanisms, and facilitating company wide conversations.

## THE OAKLEAF GROUP | SENIOR ANALYST

December 2015 - July 2019 | Bethesda, Maryland

- → Developed ETL routines in Python and SQL for data cleaning, aggregation, and quality control, for use in litigation support and auditing projects.
- → Lead small technology team, coordinating development schedules from management and clients.
- → Built image data pipeline for mortgage loan documents enabling 180 person team and doubling of YoY revenue.

# PROJECTS

## SHIP IDENTIFICATION ON OPEN OCEAN | PYTHON (keras, numpy)

2021

- → Model for predicting ships in the open ocean in gigapixel Synthetic Aperature Radar (SAR) images. Achieved 7th globally, and 4th in the USA, awarded \$4,500.
- → Model was a multi-resolution Constant False Alarm Rate (CFAR) algorithm for object detection, and a Convolutional Neural Network for classification.
- $\rightarrow$  Open source release forthcoming

#### **MIXTURE MODELS** | PYTHON, (scipy, numpy)

2021

- → Mixture Modeling software package, estimating parameters using Expectation Maximization and BIC.
- $\rightarrow$  Several uni-variate distributions and a few multi-variate distributions
- → Open source release forthcoming

# FOLLZAM | PYTHON (bs4, tweepy)

2019

- $\rightarrow$  Music fingerprinter, like Shazam. Built as a final project for statistical computing.
- → Project Page: https://github.com/follperson/follzam
- SMART ALARM CLOCK | PYTHON (flask, circuit-python, pyaudio)

#### 2018

- $\rightarrow$  Raspberry Pi based alarm clock, built in python with a Flask front end.
- $\rightarrow\,$  Slow alarm intensity raising alarm with led lights and USB speaker audio.
- → Project Page: https://github.com/follperson/smart\_alarm

# SKILLS

## PROGRAMMING

Proficient: Python • R • SQL

Experienced:  $\label{eq:hardenergy} \mathsf{HTML} \bullet \mathsf{IAT}_{E}\!X \bullet \mathsf{bash}$ 

## LIBRARIES/FRAMEWORKS

Proficient: pandas • numpy • scipy • flask scikit-learn Experienced: networkx • tensorflow • statsmodels

## **TOOLS/PLATFORMS**

Git • Docker • Linux • WSL • Snowflake • AWS Sagemaker, S3

# **EDUCATION**

## CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY

MASTER'S IN STATISTICS August 2019 - May 2020 | Pittsburgh, PA Cum. GPA: 4.24 / 4.33 Capstone: Estimating Electricity Congestion Pricing with Regularized Vector Autoregression

# **OBERLIN COLLEGE**

BACHELORS OF ARTS IN MATHEMATICAL ECONOMICS (HON.) Aug 2011 - May 2015 | Oberlin, OH Cum. GPA: 3.5 / 4.0 Thesis: Geographic Distribution of Urban Public Services: A Case Study of Sanitation and Law Enforcement Expenditure in New York City