

OVERVIEW

I graduated in 2016 from the University of Leeds in Economics. My final dissertation was "How important a factor is the Government's role in the success of technology clusters in the United Kingdom? A comparative case study of Cambridge, London and Tech North." I concluded that although the government can't help the growth of technology clusters themselves, facilitation of growth of the work base is possible. By researching trends in the growth of clusters, I determined the main causes of change to be cheap rent and a strong skills bases. Working on the dissertation involved resolving data discrepancies, as large as 50,000 businesses in an area depending on the data source, therefore it was vital to keep sources consistent across regions. The data used was partly from 2008 which made determining how much the financial crisis may have factored into outcomes in different regions especially interesting. During my time at university I completed numerous internships and a placement in the financial industry where I was able to refine my analytical skills and their application in a corporate environment. After my final exams, I travelled alone through Australia, New Zealand and South East Asia for 5 months, where I enjoyed the challenge of adapting to new environments.

WORK

DATA ANALYST – KUBRICK GROUP, LONDON

May 2017 – present

In addition to intensive learning, whilst at Kubrick I have worked in agile teams on many client projects deepening the skills I have learned. The data analytics projects which I have worked on have proven my skills in efficiently sourcing, processing and analysing large datasets both stored on-premises and cloud based. This has enabled me to deepen my analytical skills through data visualisation in: Python integrated Tableau, open source Plot.ly as well as through predictive modelling using the Python SkLearn module. Examples of value I have added to businesses include insight derived from real time streamed social media analytics, as well as predictive insights extracted from client side relational data warehouses and NoSQL systems.

ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND, LONDON, FINANCE TEAM

March 2015 – Sept 2015

While at RBS, I wrote a macro which quickly produced a report on the current status of each open case and how it compared to the previous week. To do this, I used data from a workbook consisting of over 1,000 cases which was constantly being updated by dozens of workers. The department utilised this report to assess the progress of the operations and my work had reduced the time to create the report from 50 to 5 minutes.

JP MORGAN, LONDON. INTERN WEEK ROTATION

August 2013

I spent a week rotating around different areas of the bank from the trading floor to the market and acquisitions. I learnt about the financial industry, as well as the environment of a multinational company.

TOSCAFUND, HEDGE FUND, LONDON, SUMMER INTERNSHIP

Feb – May 2012 & June – August 2013

In 2013, I worked on the operations desk, which gave me invaluable experience on how companies operate internally. I also helped confirm trades to ensure all was processed by the close of markets. In 2012, I worked to compile a report on the state of the UK economy by the year 2025. This was my first experience searching for large sets of data and studying shifts and trends over long periods and through different regions, as far back as the early 1800s. I also assessed the state and prospects of the Moldovan Economy, which I did using sources such as the world bank and IMF. I then determined how their economy was functioning by analysing their strongest industries and how this set them up for the future. This taught me important numeracy and Excel skills.

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS, ECONOMICS, 2:1

2012 – 2016

Notable modules: Industrial Economics: 72; Economic Dissertation: 69; Contemporary issues in Economic Growth: 73; Managing innovation and Technology: 65.

A module which I found particularly interesting was "Managing innovation and technology". This looked at how different technologies had disrupted industries and at the impact new innovations, such as big data and IoT, were likely to cause.

KEY SKILLS

I am experienced and qualified in the following technologies and disciplines:

Data Skills:	SQL, Python, Pandas and SciPy, SkLearn, Tableau, Plot.ly, Hadoop & Apache Spark
Security Skills:	Git, Security and Kerberos, SSH & Linux, GDPR
Data Warehousing:	SQL, Hive (HQL) & Kimball methodology
SDLC:	Agile & problem solving
Documentation:	LaTeX and Markdown
Soft Skills:	Presentation skills
Specialisms trained in:	Retail, AML, Credit Risk
Certifications:	Tableau Desktop 10 Qualified Associate
Expertly trained by Lavastorm in their newest data integration and analysis product - Dataverse .	



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Data Analyst

ABOUT ME

I became interested in data analytics during my first finance internship roles at Toscafund and JP Morgan in 2013. As part of Toscafunds UK economy forecasting reporting, I analysed the value of premier league clubs and the money invested into the industry by TV channels using data about the increase of international players and owners entering the premier league.

As a football enthusiast, this grabbed my attention and inspired me to look further into how data analytics can be used in different industries, i.e. looking at the rapid growth of Uber and mobile game developer King, both have taken advantage of all data available to them to deliver outstanding customer experience and quickly established themselves at the head of their industry.

The consumer side of technology is an area that particularly interests me. I enjoy reading Engadget and the Verge daily as well as listening to Machine Learning podcasts like TWIML&AI.

I also have a keen interest in charity work, since 2011 I have been involved with a local charity called AWTF, which helps disadvantaged teens usually between 14-18 find accommodation and employment where necessary.

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