Statistical Finance Analyst - Intern

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Brocade Communications Systems

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Agenda

- How to find an internship?
- About Brocade
- Work in Brocade Some of the projects I was assigned for
- Coursework
- Advice



How to find an Internship?

- LinkedIn
- Networking
- Job Fairs
- Job portals (such as : Indeed, Dice, Glassdoor...)
- Staffing agencies



About Brocade

- Technology company specialized in data and storage networking products
- Brocade was founded in August 1995
- Headquarters in San Jose
- Portfolios: Storage Area Network (SAN) and Local Area Network (LAN)

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Work in Brocade – Projects I am working on

- Assisting on quarterly forecasting products' revenue/units on different company levels
- Data cleaning
- Exploratory Data Analysis
- Predictive Analysis (Linear Regression, Time Series forecasting, Classification trees)



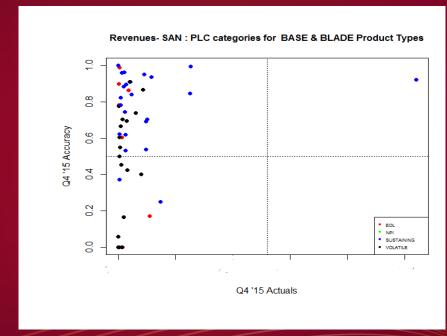
Work in Brocade – Exploratory Data Analysis

- Summarizing and visualization the important characteristics of the data set
- Taking corrective actions
- Graphical techniques used to present efficiency of statistical methods in forecasting revenues/units for a specific categories of Product Types that products belong

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Revenues vs Forecast Accuracy Q4 2015

Visualization of efficiency of statistical techniques in forecasting revenues of the specific subsets of products regarding the four PLC categories those products belongs.



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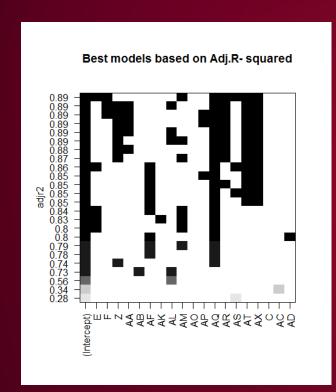
Work in Brocade – PLC classification (ongoing project)

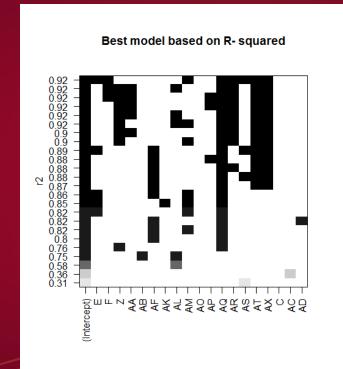
- Decision Tree algorithm to classify product lines in four categories (using rpart and C50 packages in R):
- 1. SUSTAINING
- 2. VOLATILE
- 3. EOL (end of life)
- 4. NPI (new product lines)

Work in Brocade – Linear regression and model selections

- Revenue of SAN vs numerous predictors
- Variable selection: (packages in R: MASS and leaps)
- Stepwise Procedures
- Criterion-based procedures (AIC, BIC, Adjusted R- squared, Mallow's Cp Statistic)

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Coursework

- MATH261A: Regression Theory and Methods
- MATH285: Multivariate Data Analysis
- MATH 267: Computational Statistics
- MATH 265: Time Series



Advice:

- Be assertive do not hesitate to contact people directly
- Be active on LinkedIn
- Be patient- sometimes it takes time
- Be confident



Contact that can be of a great help:

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Best of luck in your job / internship hunting!



Thank You