

# Edgar Xi

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## EDUCATION

**Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA**  
B.S. in Machine Learning, Statistics

Expected May 2019

## EXPERIENCE

**Squarespace, New York, NY**

Summer 2018

### Software Engineering Intern – Machine Learning

- Implemented, optimized, and deployed state of the art saliency mapping network with Tensorflow
- Extended internal streaming ETL library for rapid model prototyping and retraining
- Identified and fixed performance-critical bugs in Theano source code
- Configured and deployed microservices for ML models on Kubernetes clusters along with extensive logging, debugging, and load-testing in Prometheus and Locust

**Percepticsense, Pittsburgh, PA**

2017- present

### Machine Learning Engineer

- Automated road quality assessment using crowdsourced vehicular telematics data
- Conducted extensive feature engineering & hyperparameter tuning across time-series models
- Negotiated contracts with city of Detroit and large Japanese automotive manufacturer

**Curb.ai, Pittsburgh, PA**

Summer 2017

### Data Scientist

- Automated classification of home image data with convolutional neural networks
- 20x speedup over human subject classification

**Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA**

October 2016 – Present

### Research Assistant

- Interpretable and Robust Machine Learning (Prof Zico Kolter)
- Imaging and Genetics Modeling using Deep Graphical Models with a focus on model interpretability
  - Guided Backpropagation, Class-Activation Mapping, DeepDream, Saliency Maps
- Radiologist-Level Pneumonia Detection on Chest X-Rays with Deep Learning
  - DenseNet-121/169/201, ResNet-18/34/101, SqueezeNet

## Publications & Preprints

- Xi, E., Bing, S., Jin, Y. "Capsule Network Performance on Complex Data" accepted to IEEE [arXiv:1712.03480](https://arxiv.org/abs/1712.03480) 10 Dec 2017
- Bhatt, U., Xi, E., Mani, S., Kolter, J. "Intelligent Pothole Detection and Road Condition Assessment" in DSSG@UChicago, 10 Oct 2017 [arXiv:1710.02595](https://arxiv.org/abs/1710.02595)
- Lee, M., Xi, E., Jin, Y., "Optimal Control in StarCraft II with Asynchronous RL" ([Preprint](#)) 8 May 2018
- Xi, E., Bhatt, U. "Mining Urban Systems for Data Analysis" ([Preprint](#)) submitted to NIPS workshop on mobile computing 14 Sep 2018

## Teaching

**TA: Graduate Introduction to Machine Learning (10-601)**

Fall 2018

- Bayesian networks, decision tree learning, Support Vector Machines, statistical learning methods, unsupervised learning and reinforcement learning

**TA: Practical Data Science (15-388)**

Spring 2018

- Data processing & analysis, machine learning (regression, classification, unsupervised learning)

## COURSEWORK

- 10-707 Deep Learning (PHD)
- 10-701 Machine Learning (PHD)
- 15-122 Imperative Programming
- 15-388 Data Science (TA)
- 10-703 Deep Reinforcement Learning (PHD)
- 36-402 Advanced Data Analysis
- 36-401 Modern Regression
- 15-386 Neural Computation

## SKILLS

- Python, C/C++, R, Julia, Java, Matlab || Keras, Tensorflow, Pandas, Scikit-Learn || Unix, Django, MySQL, AWS, Docker, Kubernetes ||