# **Akshay Chalana**

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#### **EDUCATION**

## **University of Washington**

Sept. 2015 – June 2019 (Expected)

- Major: Computer Science (Data Science) and Mathematics (Philosophy Track)
- Relevant Coursework: Distributed Systems, Machine Learning, Algorithms, Discrete Optimization, Linear Optimization, Modern Algebra, Systems Programming, Data Structures & Parallelism, Discrete Math, Probability, Data Management, Real/Complex Analysis, Data Visualization

# **TECHNICAL SKILLS/LANGUAGES**

- Machine Learning: Python (Apache Spark, sk-learn, Tensorflow [Keras CNNs, RNNs, Autoencoders]), R
- Other: Racket (dialect of Lisp), C, C++, x86 Assembly, Java
- Web: MEAN stack, Python (Flask), React.js, Java, PHP, SQL (Postgres), React Native, Android Native

### RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

## Facebook (Menlo Park, CA)

**Software Engineering Intern** 

June 2018 – September 2018

- Design and development of opset version converter for ONNX (Open Neural Network Exchange)
- Enabling continuous backwards compatibility of dozens of standard models and hundreds of internal/external users

## UWashington Hyperloop (Seattle, WA)

**Control Systems Engineer** 

August 2015 – Present

Designed C++ Firmware, GUI, and Telemetry for Top SpaceX Hyperloop Pod Team in the US (2018)

## JumpStart (San Francisco, CA)

**Machine Learning Consultant** 

September 2017 – August 2018

Leading development of scoring, ranking, and feedback backend services in Python with PostgreSQL

# Doppler Labs (San Francisco, CA)

**Machine Learning Intern** 

June 2017 – September 2017

Developed Tensorflow (Keras) models in Python for Audio Scene Classification to improve breadth of classifiers by several environments, improving accuracy by 10%

# University of Washington (Seattle, WA)

**Research Assistant** 

Dec. 2016 – June 2017

Work on SIMPL: Partial Evaluation of Inference Algorithms (Bayes Networks) in Racket

## Tesla (Palo Alto, CA)

**Software Engineering Intern** 

June 2016 – September 2016

Developed Features of PHP Hardware Test Data Visualization/Analysis App, firmware (C++) for STM32 and PIC-based Test Boards, and Python interfaces for test equipment and vehicle components for use by dozens of engineers across test teams

### GiveSafe (Seattle, WA)

**Software Development Intern** 

December 2015 – June 2016

Built features of native Merchant Android application for interacting with beacon-holders (homeless individual

# PERSONAL PROJECTS

### Bodyguard (Top 30 @ PennApps Jan. 2016)

Android app for automatic emergency notification to friends/family/emergency services through voice commands. (built backend and various components of frontend)

# MoneySen.se

Personal Finance Videogame (SVP Fast Pitch 2011 Winner)

# Playsmid (DubHacks 2016)

Online videogame platform (Node.js app) for Synthetic Biology education and simulation (built backend and some frontend functionality).

# Algorithmic Trading Club@UW/Blockchain Society@UW

Cryptocurrency Trading Algorithms, 2018 Conference