

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Computer Science, Majoring in Machine Learning

University of Queensland

Brisbane, QLD

2022-present

- **Cumulative GPA:** 6.65/7 (Dean's Commendation of Academic Excellence: 2022, 2023)
- **Extracurricular:** General Executive @ UQCS (UQ Computer Science), previous panelist on UQCS' First Year Panel 2024 & involved with event hackathons.

EXPERIENCE

Casual Academic Tutor

School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science - University of Queensland

Jan 2024 – Present

Brisbane, Australia

- Delivered tutorial content to student classes studying an artificial intelligence (reinforcement learning) Python course (COMP3702) about Markov decision processes (MDPs), search algorithms, neural networks and uncertainty.
- Supported students in developing problem-solving skills related to theoretical computation in COMP2048, focusing on Turing machines, recursive functions, and the Church-Turing thesis.

PROJECTS

CodeClash - UQCS Hackathon | *AWS, Flask, Docker, EC2, Git, SSH, Vite, Javascript*

Aug 2024

Developed a full-stack competitive coding web application as project leader and Flask backend developer, enabling users to submit solutions to programming challenges while sabotaging their opponents' code.

- Deployed Judge0 (arbitrary code execution) on AWS EC2 instance with Docker, optimizing API response times from ~15 seconds to under 2 seconds (**7x speed improvement**).
- Designed a Flask backend deployed remotely on EC2 to handle program execution and return detailed test results to the frontend via REST API.
- Developed a language parser to handle test case conversions across multiple programming languages for robust solution evaluation.

Soulsync - Mood Tracking App | *React Native, Expo, TypeScript, Supabase (planned), SQLite*

Dec 2024

Designed and developed a minimalistic mobile app for mood and activity journalling, featuring extensive data visualizations.

- Built a React Native frontend with a clean, minimalist interface, using Expo to simplify builds for differing OS'.
- Integrated SQLite for offline storage of mood, activities, and notes, ensuring functionality without internet access.
- Planned integration of Supabase for secure user authentication and synchronized data across devices.

Alzheimer's Disease Detection using Vision Transformers | *Pytorch, Matplotlib, Numpy*

Aug 2024

Developed a machine learning pipeline to classify Alzheimer's Disease from brain MRI images using Vision Transformers, training the model remotely on UQ Rangpur clusters and contributing to the PatternAnalysis library.

- Implemented a modular ViT architecture with features like confidence visualization, hyperparameter tuning, and a prediction script for unseen images.
- Preprocessed MRI datasets with normalization and aggressive augmentation, achieving a test accuracy of 67.93%, and documented results with plots and reports.
- Contributed to the PatternAnalysis GitHub library through regular commits, detailed README documentation, and a professional pull request workflow.

NanoGPT and Neural Networks from scratch | *Python, Numpy, Pytorch, Github*

Feb 2023

Created a character level Generatively Pretrained Transformer (GPT), following the paper "Attention is All You Need" and OpenAI's GPT-2 / GPT-3, which can load real GPT-2 weights. Visualised statistics about neural networks, and created models from classical bigrams to full MLPs and transformers, trained on Shakespeare datasets.

- Constructed an initial bigram model capable of receiving multiple batch dimensions (size B,T,C) for efficiency.
- Implemented decoder-only self-attention heads, enabling effective sequence information communication within the model. Also added blocks of multi-headed self attention, feedforward layers and layernorms to improve model capabilities.
- Visualised statistics about neuron outputs to increase stability of model training and improve accuracy scores by 25%.

Brute-Force Password Cracking System | C, SSH, Networking, Multi-threading, Unix, TCP/IPMay 2023

Developed a client (crackclient) and server (crackserver) system for password cracking and encryption, showcasing multi-threading and basic TCP communication in C via terminal, along with CLI tool usage.

- Implemented a brute-force decryption algorithm with word-lookups using multithreading for efficient password cracking, which on average sped up processing times by x10.
- Enabled crackserver to manage multiple client connections simultaneously using multithreading and included error handling for network disruptions.
- Designed a modular system architecture and provided comprehensive documentation for each module, ensuring maintainability, ease of debugging, and clear communication of system design.

Dataplanet - UQCS Hackathon | Node.js, Javascript, GlobeGL, HTML, GitAug 2022

Developed a 3D data visualisation project as project leader, allowing users to explore a globe and interact with real-time datasets related to UN sustainability goals.

- Designated project leader, and delegated team priorities, organised deadlines and core priorities for the product goals, which led to a successful and completed project.
- Handled REST API calls to multiple servers and manipulated JSON queries to render poverty and air pollution data in real-time on the browser.
- Used trunk-based development with Git to minimise merge conflicts for pull requests. Read documentation to understand how to manipulate the graphics to desired shape, along with data handling.
- Recognised with multiple awards for innovation and impact:
 - Awarded the Google Generations Scholar grant for Dataplanet, including a virtual presentation at the AUS & NZ Generation Google Scholarships event.
 - Winning solution at the Amazon Sustainability Data Initiative (ASDI) Global Hackathon, selected from 1500 participants, earning \$2000 AWS credits.
 - Received Best Community Award at the UQCS Hackathon for addressing social justice problems through innovative technology.

AI Bot - Dungeons and Data Structures | Python, Docker, GitMay 2021

Developed a bot agent with a team of 4 that utilised techniques such as minimax and value functions to compete against other bots in a bomberman-like game tournament, reaching the game finals. Communicated deadlines and attended meetings for progress checks / pivoting strategies. Wrote a post-event reflection on my blog post [here](#).

- Led the decision-making algorithms approach for the agent (opposed to AI techniques), which was ultimately used in the final version due to a 2 core CPU processing limitation.
- Wrote documentation on program functions and constructed a game wiki to better organise knowledge.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Google Generations Scholar	Google
Awarded a generous grant for creating Dataplanet by the AUS & NZ Generation Google Scholarships event, followed by a virtual presentation showcasing the project.	Oct 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Amazon Sustainability Data Initiative (ASDI) Global Hackathon	Amazon
Winning solution selected from 1500 participants, earning \$2000 AWS credits for a project addressing UN sustainability goals.	Sept 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Best Community Award - UQCS Hackathon	University of Queensland
Recognized for addressing social justice problems through innovative technology with the Dataplanet project.	Aug 2022