

# Zhengqi(Drago) Dong

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## EDUCATION

**Boston University, College of Engineering, Boston, MA (GPA: 3.9/4.0)** **Expected 12/2022**

MS in Robotics & Autonomous Systems

**The Ohio State University, College of Engineering, Columbus, OH (GPA: 3.67/4.0)** **05/2021**

B.S Computer Science Engineering (Minor in Statistics)

Graduated with Honor in Engineering, and Honor Research Distinction in Agricultural Engineering

**Related Coursework:** Medical Robotic, Robotic Autonomous System, Machine Learning, High-performance Deep Learning, Natural Language Processing, Algorithm & Data structure, Operation System, Networking, Information Security, Web Development, Database Systems, Probability & Statistic, Statistical Modeling, Excel and Access, Analog & Digital Circuits

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**BU Spark!, Boston, MA, United States** **09/2021 - 01/2022**

*Software Developer Intern*

- Created a website that loads mutual aid resources from Postgres database, then displays all food resources and mutual aid locations around Greater Boston area in an interactive map by using mapbox API.
- Designed and developed the front-end in Gatsby to improve user experience by adding multi-language feature.
- Deployed frontend via GitHub Pages with https secure access, and utilized Docker Compose to containerize back-end application, then deployed on AWS EC2 instance, and secured the communication between front-end and backed with TLS/SSL certificate.

**The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, United States**

**08/2020 - 05/2021**

*Student Instructional Assistant*

- Teaching assistant for CSE 3461 (Computer Networking and Internet Technologies), supervised by Prof. Jim Vickroy.
- Hold weekly office hours, oversaw lab sections, and answered students' questions regarding homework and labs.

## PROJECTS AND RESEARCH

**Multi-threaded MapReduce Emulator (Multithreaded programming, C, Makefile, Valgrind):** **01/2021 - 05/2021**

- Created and implemented a multi-threaded version of MapReduce Emulator for counting the number of occurrences of words for a given file, which potentially can be used for search engines or web crawlers in text processing.

**"CORE" Language Interpreter (python, kernel of interpreter):**

**01/2021 - 05/2021**

- Designed and implemented a self-defined "CORE" language interpreter from scratch, with features including program scanner/tokenizer, semantic checking(syntax, type, function definition, scope, object binding), program executor, garbage collector, and recursive function call.

**Deep-Learning Based Plant Disease Detection (Python, TensorFlow, Slurm/PBS scheduler):**

**06/2019 - 12/2020**

- Awarded \$5500 scholarship by proposing an image-based deep learning approach and application framework design for plant leaves disease detection.
- Compared pros and cons between machine learning and deep learning-based detection.
- Conducted sequences of experiments on multiple factors including train-validation split ratio, batch size, and complexity size of pre-trained models, which resulted in 99.5% and 98.11% accuracy in training and validation respectively.
- Completed "Honors Research Distinction" thesis by authoring and presenting multiple deliverables works of literature, including over 70+ pages thesis, presenting a poster in two research forums, and oral defense presentation

## SKILLS

*Programming languages:* Python(Django, Flask, PyTorch, and certified [Google TensorFlow Developer](#)), and C(GDB, Valgrind, Makefile), R(tidyverse and shiny), Java, Ruby(Ruby on Rails), SQLite, X86 Assembly Language, HTML, CSS(Bootstrap), JavaScript(React.js, Gatsby, Prisma), MATLAB, Bash Script, LaTeX

*High-Performance Computing Applications:* TensorFlow/PyTorch/LBANN deep learning framework, Horovod/Dask/mmpi4py library, and Slurm/PBS scheduler, distributed training concept (model/data/hybrid parallelism, MPI operations)

*Software Tools&Technologies:* Visual Studio, Linux, Github, AWS(Cloud 9, EC2), Docker, Heroku, CAD(SolidWorks)

## LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

**WebMaster, IEEE at OSU Undergraduate chapter, Columbus, OH**

**01/2018 - 05/2021**

**Vice-president, OSU Table Tennis Club, Columbus, OH**

**05/2019 - 05/2020**

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- Dean's List (>3.5 GPA) over five semesters and graduated with Honor Research Distinction.
- Awarded 2020, 2021 IEEE Excellent Service Award, active IEEE members (Student Member, 2018–Present).
- Awarded Table Tennis Team Champion at 2018-19 NCTTA Midwest Tournament.