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EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer Intern

Petuum, Inc.

May 2019 – Aug 2019

Pittsburgh, PA

- Led a team of 4 in the development of Texar-PyTorch, an open-source machine learning toolkit; proposed coding guidelines and was in charge of quality assurance and code review.
- Designed the overall architecture of Texar-PyTorch, and contributed more than 30% of the entire code base.
- Contributed to the design and development of an internal NLP pipeline tool.

Graduate Research Assistant

Language Technologies Institute, Carnegie Mellon University

Aug 2018 – Ongoing

Pittsburgh, PA

- Proposed a neural language model utilizing knowledge base relations to generate Wiki articles, and achieved state-of-the-art results over strong baselines on a large-scale open-domain dataset. Paper published at AAAI 2020.
- Built a neural system for quality estimation (QE) of machine-translated text, ranking 2nd on the WMT 2019 En-De sentence-level QE shared task.

PROJECTS

Texar-PyTorch

An open-source toolkit for machine learning and text generation

Apr 2019 – Aug 2019

[asym1/texar-pytorch](#)

- Developed a machine learning toolkit in Python focused on neural methods for natural language processing, based on PyTorch.
- Open-sourced project on GitHub, gaining over 300 stars.

MercuryJson

Super-fast JSON parsing with SIMD and multi-threading

Apr 2019 – May 2019

[Somefive/MercuryJson](#)

- Built a fast, parallel JSON parser in C++17, achieving 1.29x speedup compared to the state-of-the-art parser simdjson.
- Combined simdjson's two-stage parsing approach with a push-down automata accepting partial JSON strings, which allowed the parser to run in parallel over arbitrarily chunked inputs.

Weibo Analyst

A modern web app to analyze Weibo posts using NLP tools

Feb 2017 – Jun 2017

- Implemented a responsive frontend using AngularJS.
- Designed and coded the backend framework with Flask and MongoDB, and integrated NLP tools as framework extensions.
- Built a distributed work queue with Celery and RabbitMQ.

EDUCATION

M.S. in Language Technologies

**School of Computer Science,
Carnegie Mellon University**

Aug 2018 – Aug 2020 (expected)

Pittsburgh, PA

GPA: 4.00/4.33 Advisor: Graham Neubig

B.Eng. in Computer Science

Tsinghua University

Aug 2014 – Jul 2018

Beijing, China

Major GPA: 90/100 Ranking: 32/152

AWARDS & HONORS



First Place

Bloomberg CodeCon, 2019

Grand Prize

InnovateAsia FPGA Design Contest, 2016

Gold Medal

ACM/ICPC Asia Regional Contest,
Mudanjiang Site, 2014



Outstanding Graduate Award

Tsinghua University, 2018

Award for Excellent Leadership in Student Organizations

Tsinghua University, 2017

PUBLICATIONS

- Latent Relation Language Models
 Hiroaki Hayashi*, Zecong Hu*, Chenyan Xiong, Graham Neubig
 AAAI 2020, Poster presentation
- Stack-Pointer Networks for Dependency Parsing
 Xuezhe Ma, Zecong Hu, Jingzhou Liu, Nanyun Peng, Graham Neubig, Eduard Hovy
 ACL 2018, Oral presentation

SKILLS

Languages: C/C++ Python Java
JavaScript Rust CUDA Bash

Tools & Frameworks: Git \LaTeX PyTorch
OpenCV TensorFlow