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EDUCATION

University of Pittsburgh	Aug 2022 – May 2026
Bachelor's, Computer Science	
Bachelor's, Data Science	GPA: 3.915

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Federal Specialized Services , Pittsburgh, PA	May 2024 – Present
<i>Software Developer and Data Analyst Intern</i>	

- Developed and deployed web-based software applications to streamline internal company processes, enhancing efficiency and productivity.
- Utilizing Python for analysis of large datasets, providing real-time insights via custom tools.
- Led software development from concept to implementation, delivering fully functional web solutions.
- Implemented algorithms to optimize data processing and ensure scalability for large data handling.
- Collaborated with lawyers to conditionally sift and extract data from legal documents, databases, and internal networks.

SKILLS

- **Programming:** Python, Java, JavaScript, SQL
- **Data & ML:** Pandas, NumPy, Scikit-learn, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Neural Networks
- **Analysis & Viz:** Statistics, Risk Management, Tableau, Data Analysis
- **Tools & Dev:** Git, HTML/CSS

SELECTED PROJECTS & PORTFOLIO

Concept Extraction Pipeline (Python, NLP, GPT API)

Capstone Project — University of Pittsburgh

Developing a large-scale concept extraction system for educational content. Built a pipeline to process and annotate 4,000+ lecture slides using natural language processing, LLM-based annotation scripts, and a structured codebook for semantic concept identification and evaluation. Used the annotation pipeline to tune and train the overarching model.

Machine Learning Regression & Classification – PPG Industries (R)

University of Pittsburgh, Data Science Coursework

Applied ML to proprietary RGB/HSL paint color data for both continuous and binary targets. Conducted EDA, feature engineering, and logit transforms; developed, tuned, and evaluated linear, regularized, Bayesian, neural network, random forest, and gradient boosting models; analyzed feature importance and uncertainty; documented results under privacy requirements.

Fractal Cascade & Synthetic Data Modeling (Python)

Personal Project

Engineered a synthetic data generator using fractal cascade models to replicate volatility clustering and heavy-tailed distributions, enabling scalable testing of time-series models and anomaly projection.

LLM Compression & Bias Analysis (Python, Hugging Face, scikit-learn)

Research Replication Project

Replicated and extended Gonçalves & Strubell (2023) to analyze how quantization and knowledge distillation affect social bias in large language models. Evaluated BERT, DistilBERT, and RoBERTa using Crows-Pairs and StereoSet datasets, applying regression-based bias metrics and statistical testing for fairness evaluation.