

# Alan Yuan

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## Experience

### Software Engineer - PEY Intern | Intel

C++, Python, Bash

Summer 2021 - present

- > Python and Bash scripts to automate mass code changes and testing.
- > Worked with program that generates Verilog which is used to test correctness of compilers.

### Software Developer | Centivizer

Node.JS: SimplePeer, Socket.io, Axios

Summer 2020 - Fall 2021

- > Designed and built server that connects "friends" to a video call with NodeJS and SimplePeer
- > Used Socket.io to communicate between the client and backend.
- > Connected the server with the database through a RESTful API using the Axios library.

## Education

### University of Toronto

Sep, 2018 – Jan, 2023

Candidate for Honours B.S. in Computer Science

cGPA: 3.83/4.0

**Relevant Coursework:** Introduction to M.L (95), Data Structures and Algorithms (92), Operating Systems (91), Parallel Programming (94), NNs and Deep Learning (96), Intro to AI (97)

## Skills

**Languages** C/C++, Java, Python, C#, JavaScript

**Tools** PyTorch, numpy, Firebase, MongoDB, MySQL, SFML, Node.JS, React.JS, React Native

## Side Projects

### CFR Minimization (Kuhn poker, Tic-tac-toe and Coup)

Python, PyTorch

May, 2021-Present

[github.com/JaLnYn/pokerbot](https://github.com/JaLnYn/pokerbot)

- > Worked with **CFR, CFR+ and MCCFR** to train agents to find the nash equilibrium.
- > Utilized available resources on the internet to learn these algorithms.
- > Implemented each of the algorithms to play tic-tac-toe.
- > Plan to use the algorithms to solve Kuhn poker and Coup.

### Q-learning M.L algorithm (to play Snake)

Python, PyTorch

Dec, 2020-Jan, 2021

[github.com/JaLnYn/mlsnake](https://github.com/JaLnYn/mlsnake)

- > Read articles and papers to understand **Q-Learning**
- > Implemented a Q-learning snake on top of a existing implementation of the snake-game.

### CSC311 (Intro to M.L) Course Competition

Python, numpy

Nov, 2020-Dec, 2021

- > Achieved the **5th highest score** in the competition and a 99% on the project write-up.
- > Chose and implemented a Matrix Factorization algorithm to recommend a selection of movies to users.
- > Improved on the SGD training process by adding weight regularization and biases based on paper on a different application.
- > Used ensembles to decrease variance ensuring the private score will be similar to that of the validation set.

## Merchant Sensei Scraper

Dec, 2019-present

Python: boto3, bs4  
[merchantsensei.com](https://merchantsensei.com)

- > Created **script to scrape the web** for HTMLs and other useful information to be run on EC2s.
- > Using Python's threading capabilities, gave script ability to scale with CPU power
- > Automated the packaging of the extracted data
- > Sends ZIP files to AWS bucket in a nice ZIP file to minimize storage costs

## Tron UDP multiplayer

Sep, 2019-Dec, 2019

C++, ncurses  
[github.com/JaLnYn/Tron](https://github.com/JaLnYn/Tron)

- > Created a four player game for **local networks** using the UDP network protocol and C++
- > Forked timer from the server to ensure the game runs on time
- > Utilize epoll for both client and server to monitor the socket as well as the timer (server) and stdin (client)

## Web-Chat | (Hack the North)

Sep, 2019-Sep, 2019

Firebase Realtime DB, Azure M.L. API, ReactJS, JavaScript  
[github.com/JaLnYn/DASH](https://github.com/JaLnYn/DASH)

- > Lead a team of 4 to create a web-chat-app that matches strangers based on their current emotion determined by **Azure ML API**
- > Built the frontend of the web-app utilizing **Firebase** and **ReactJS**
- > Utilized **Firebase Realtime Database** to easily facilitate the chat rooms

## Evolutionary M.L algorithm (to play Snake)

Mar, 2018-Apr, 2018

C++  
[github.com/JaLnYn/Machine-learning-Snake](https://github.com/JaLnYn/Machine-learning-Snake)

- > Read articles and papers to understand and implement the N.E.A.T Evolutionary algorithm with raw C++.
- > Tested multiple fitness metrics such as score, survival time, and time between scoring.

## Esoteric Language interpreter

Nov, 2017 - June, 2018

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[github.com/JaLnYn/Bf-interpreter](https://github.com/JaLnYn/Bf-interpreter)

- > Utilized recursion and memory management to implement a simple interpreter for the Esoteric Language: BF