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## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Amazon

Jun 2023 – Aug 2023

*Software Developer - Intern*

*Toronto, Ontario*

- Designed and implemented a precompute layer to increase recommendation speed by **99%** from 150ms
- Created automated data analysis tool to ensure predictions are above **75%** accuracy

### PAIR Lab

Sep 2021 – Present

*Researcher*

*Toronto, Ontario*

- Exploring the usage of **MPC**, **VLM**, **LLM** in long term planning of low level task through constant re-evaluation of plans resulting in the completion of multi-step tasks instructed by english, improving on state of the art
- Assisted with **Orbit**, a robotics learning framework built on top of NVIDIA's **Isaacsim** resulting in a publication
- Designed and built **GPU** parallelized state systems with low overhead allowing a **4x** speedup over the cpu solution

### Amazon

May 2022 – Aug 2022

*Software Developer - Intern*

*Vancouver, British Columbia*

- Engineered a modular microservice in **Java** to send notifications to customer of cashback on select products
- Utilize **AWS** webservices such as **Lambda**, **SQS** and **SNS** to ensure scalability of the notification system

### Intel

May 2021 – May 2022

*Software Engineer - Intern*

*Toronto, Ontario*

- Developed support software to generate 4000+ of completely random test-cases for edge-case testing
- Optimized support tool's Ram templates to reduce false positives and failing cases by around **70%**

### Centivizer

Apr 2020 - Sep 2020

*Software Developer - Part-time*

*Toronto, Ontario*

- Designed and wrote backend application using **Node.JS** and **SimplePeer** to connect users via video call

## EDUCATION

### University of Toronto

— cGPA

*MSc in Applied Computing*

*Sept 2023 - Dec 2024*

### University of Toronto

3.84 cGPA

*HBS Computer Science Specialist, Major in Mathematics*

*Sep. 2018 – May 2023*

## PUBLICATIONS (\* EQUAL CONTRIBUTION)

M. Skreta\*, Z. Zhou\*, **J. L. Yuan\***, K. Darvish, A. Aspuru-Guzik, A. Garg. Lidless Eye and Silver Tongue: using Vision and Language for Adaptive Task Replanning, *Submitted to (ICLR) 2024 [under review]*

M. Mittal, C. Yu, Q. Yu, J. Liu, N. Rudin, D. Hoeller, **J. L. Yuan**, R. Singh, Y. Guo, H. Mazhar, A. U. Mandlekar, B. Babich, G. State, M. Hutter, A. Garg. ORBIT: A Unified Simulation Framework for Interactive Robot Learning Environments, *(RA-L) 2023*

## PROJECTS

### CaNetDa: Deep Learning for GeoGuesser in Canada | Link: [GitHub](#)

Jan 2021 – Apr 2021

- Mined dataset and trained an ensemble of **Computer Vision** models: **ResNet**, **EfficientNet** and **Vision Transformer** resulting in a **47%** improvment over random agent in predicting province of image in Canada

### Machine Learning Course Competition | Link: [GitHub](#)

Sep 2020 – Dec 2020

- Achieved the 5th highest score in the unsupervised movie recommendation competition

### Tron UDP Multiplayer | Link: [GitHub](#)

Sep 2019 – Dec 2019

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

### BF-Interpreter | Link: [GitHub](#)

Mar 2018 – Nov 2018

- Built a BF shell that runs all example BF programs found on [Wikipedia](#) in C

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Languages:** Deep Neural Networks, Large Language Models, Latent Diffusion Models, Robotics

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

**Tools:** Huggingface, Oobabooga, PyTorch, Git, React Native, Node.js, MongoDB, SQL (Postgres), Numpy, GraphQL