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Skills_

Languages: Python, SQL, NodeJS, TypeScript

Frameworks: Airflow, DBT, Flask, React, Pytorch, Git, AWS, Docker, Kubernetes

Experience _____

Data Engineer | Super

Aug 2022 - Present

- Reduced hotel mapping run times by over **50%** by automating mapping verification tasks
- Designed a pipeline to automate the updating and self hosting of millions of hotel images on CloudFront

Data Scientist | Shopify

Sep - Dec 2021

- Developed reporting to segment marketing channel GMV by user device types
- Collaborated with the product team to develop dashboards measuring the impact of a beta feature
- Upgraded data job to ingest from a new payment api while maintaining compatiblity with the legacy api

Machine Learning Engineer | Zynga

- Integrated **fluent-bit** into ML team microservices, enabling efficient event streaming into **AWS Kinesis**
- Automated microservice deployments to **EKS** development clusters with **Jenkins**
- Developed a dynamic event filter system capable of applying real-time adjustments to filter criteria
- Maintained reinforcement learning pipeline to deliver over 5000 personalized notifications per day

Machine Learning Engineer | PerkinElmer

May - Aug 2020

- Built a custom data loader for a synthetic data generation model to cut down training time by 37%
- Introduced test driven development to the AI Research Team and built out an automated unit testing suite
- Conducted research and proposed the use of **Cramer GANs** for synthetic data generation
- Created image augmentation modules to boost image masking performance in low performing areas

Software Developer | ROSS Intelligence

Sep - Dec 2019

- Developed sign-up free trials to enable prospective clients to try ROSS while maintaining data privacy
- Created an AWS Lambda service to apply event tracking to over 2000 outbound emails per month
- Automated Serverless function deployments with **Travis-CI** to minimize deployment errors

Software Engineer | Super

Jan - Apr 2019

- Improved Lighthouse performance scores over 400% by implementing SSR into React components
- Developed an internal tool with Flask to facilitate and audit hotel bidding on multiple meta-channels
- · Built an internal tool to enable self-serve hotel pricing experimentation for the analytics team

Projects_

Beat 🗐

Name That Genre

Dec 2019

Jan 2018

- Embedding + CNN model that classifies a song's genre based on the song's lyrics
- Model was developed with **Keras** and achieved **F1 scores** of up to **0.79**

- Received the **Best UI/UX Hack** award and ranked in the Top 10 hacks at PennApps Retro
- Designed the UI and contributed to the **Ionic** implementation

Education

University of Waterloo | Cheriton School of Computer Science

2017 - 2022

• Bachelors of Computer Science with Distinction