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EDUCATION

New York University, Tandon School of Engineering

New York, NY May 2025

Master of Science in Computer Science (Cumulative GPA: 3.88/4.0)

Relevant Coursework: Big Data, Algorithms, Advanced Database, Deep Learning

New York University, NYU Shanghai

New York, NY and Shanghai, China

Bachelor of Science, Data Science, minor in Computer Science (Cumulative GPA: 3.91/4.0)

May 2023

Magna Cum Laude; NYU Honors Scholar; Dean's List 2019-2023

Relevant Coursework: Applied Internet Technologies, Computer Architecture (Objective C), Data Structures (OOP), Databases, Machine Learning (TensorFlow), Natural Language Processing (PyTorch), Data Analytics, Decision Model and Analysis

SKILLS

Coding Languages: SQL, R, Python, JavaScript, TypeScript, Java, Objective C

Software Tools: PostgreSQL, MySQL Pandas, NumPy, SciPy, R Studio, Matplotlib, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Seaborn, Scikit-learn, React.js, Vue.js, Django, Express.js, Spring Boot, Maven, JPA, Thymeleaf, Git, Docker, Kubernetes, Chart.js, OpenCV

Other Tools: Circle/Travis CI (CI/CD), AWS EC2/EB/RDS, Agile Dev, Linux/UNIX, Tableau, Office/Google Suite

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

eBay Inc., Software Engineering Intern – Cloud Infrastructure Team, (Shanghai, China)

Sept. 2022 – Aug. 2023

- Innovated an Average-Time-to-Business (ATB) dashboard using *Redux*, *React.js*, and *Spring Boot* to monitor cluster statuses and send checkout alerts, reducing crisis response time by 25% and boosting service availability from 99.14% to 99.8%
- Implemented a predictive analytics model using *Scikit-learn* and integrated it to ATB Dashboard to forecast system load and potential downtime, further reducing system downtime by 40%
- Developed a *SQL-based tool* for automating anomaly detection by *analyzing patterns and metrics* in eBay's cloud infrastructure performance data, benefiting 100+ infrastructure engineers by providing predictive insights into system reliability

Kaizntree Co., Co-founder and CTO, (New York, NY and Remote)

Sept. 2021 – Feb. 2024

- Built a one-stop management solution for small businesses using *Vue.js*, *Django REST framework*, and *PostgreSQL*, earning 100+ happy customers by reducing their time spent on management tasks from 15 to just 2 hours per week
- Designed and executed a data-driven market analysis strategy using *Pandas* and *Seaborn*, identifying key growth opportunities for customers, resulting in an estimated 35% increase in customer acquisition during the roll-out window of this feature
- Collected and analyzed 1000+ user feedback using *Pandas* and adopted *Scrum Development, Circle CI/CD* with *Heroku* to minimize friction throughout the software development lifecycle (SDLC), enabling Kaizntree to address BUGs under 24 hours
- Spearheaded the *2-way integration* between Kaizntree and 4 major sales channels using *OAuth2* (Shopify, Square, Etsy, and Xerox) and automated stock & order sync across platforms, putting an end to manual updates and stock inconsistency on different channels
- Won the 2023 NYU Summer Launchpad and 2023 NYUxYale Startup Competition, with a reward of \$15,000 non-dilutive funding
- Earned investment from 3 individual investors and received a total of \$250,000 investment with Kaizntree valued at 5 million

Expsoft LLC., Software Engineering Intern, (Wuxi, China)

May 2021 – Sept. 2021

- Leveraged the power of *Spring Boot*, *Thymeleaf*, *JPA*, and *Maven* to build robust, user-friendly, and highly customizable online auditing platforms for governments
- Secured a project from the Soochow government worth \$400,000 to supply a customized audit platform

RESEARCH & PROJECTS

Parkrowd NYC, a Crowd-sourced Parking Info Sharing Platform based on NYC Open Data (repo link) Sept. 2023 – Dec. 2023

- Conceptualized a parking info-sharing platform by listing MVP, MLP, and API documentation, and using Figma prototyping
- Implemented Parkrowd as a Diango RESTful app integrated with Google Maps API through ZenHub Scrum with a team of 5
- Employed Travis CI, AWS Elasticbeanstalk, AWS RDS, and Coveralls.io to build a seamless CI/CD pipeline

Rate My Professor, a redesigned Single-page App for Students to Upload/View Professor Ratings (repo link) Sept. 2023 – Dec. 2023

- Coordinated efficient full-stack development using scrum sprints and backlogs, allowing my team of 2 to roll out the app in 2 months
- Utilized Maven, Spring Boot with JPA, Spring Security, and multi-threading to build a robust, highly concurrency-capable backend

Few-shot Segmentation with Adaptive Data Augmentation and Cross Attention (link to paper on arXiv) Mar. 2022 - May 2023

- Proposed an instance-aware data augmentation strategy to improve support image diversity and reduce distribution inconsistency
- Incorporated a 4-D consensus cross-attention module to align query and support features, increasing accuracy by 5.4%