

# Viet Hoang Chu

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## EDUCATION

### Pitzer College

Claremont, CA

#### Bachelor's Degree, Joint Computer Science and Mathematics (Honors)

Expected May 2024

- **GPA: 3.7 / 4.0** (Major GPA: 3.9 -- Cross-registered Math and CS classes at Harvey Mudd College)
- **Coursework:** Data Structures & Algorithms in C++ (**TA 1 year**), Machine Learning, Web Development, Computer Systems, Operating Systems, Database Systems, Computer Network, Computer Science Insights, Theory and Logic
- **Awards:** Codeforces Master, 1st Place: Citadel Datathon, Round 3: Google Code Jam, Winner SIG Coding Challenge.

## SKILLS

- **Programming Languages:** Python, C++, Java, JavaScript, TypeScript, React, Golang, SQL, OCaml, Racket
- **Technologies:** Linux, Flask Microservices, Node.js, kubernetes, AWS, GCP, PostgreSQL, Beautiful Soup, Git

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Periwinkle Trading

August 2023 - Present

Quantitative Developer - Contract for Harvey Mudd Clinic Project

Java

- Contributed performant Java to 15+ interconnected internal components under the Equity Options execution team.
- Implemented helper functions in C++ for robust error handling and trade execution fallback for Options quoting logic.
- Discussed system design enhancement weekly with company CEO Scott Smallwood, former partner at PDT Partners.

### University of Southern California

June 2023 - August 2023

Undergraduate Research Intern - Operation Research and Data Science

Python, MATLAB

Topic: "Last-mile Delivery Optimization with Recurrent Neural Network"

- Developed a pair-wise Recurrent Neural Network with a customized attention-based mechanism to predict the path deviation from the theoretical shortest-distance path a human driver would follow under external circumstances.
- Designed an iterative Sequence Generation Algorithm used after model training to identify the first stop of a route that yields the optimal operational cost and achieve the global efficiency of all routes under 120 different simulations.
- Prediction accuracy from this model **improved by 15%** compared to LSTM encoder-decoder and pointer network.

### Meta

May 2022 - August 2022

Engineering Intern

C++, Hack, React

- Used ReactJS and Hack to develop both the alert inbox page and the Developer Communication Platform (DCP), a tool enabling Meta employees to communicate with third-party app developers.
- Revamped the inbox page using a new React component library to increase consistency of the UI styling throughout the platform, which increased the new library UI coverage from <5% to 90%+.
- Optimized scheduled cache refresh in C++ by user activity prediction resulted in a **30% decrease** in CPU cycles.
- Utilized Directed Acyclic Graph data structure that improved runtime of Meta's generational data workflows by 20%.

### CoHost.ai (Seed-stage Startup)

June 2021 - August 2021

Engineering Intern

C++, TypeScript, React, Flask Microservices, Node.js, AWS

- Deployed a multi-threaded Message Queue with Inter-Thread Communication method which prevents message losses.
- Designed Database ORM and built the company's Chatbot full-stack with test suites reaching 100% code coverage.

## PROJECTS

### ClaremontCourses | Independent

Python, React, TypeScript, Golang, Flask Microservices, Node.js, AWS

- Built a full-stack ([featured](#)) course search UI and with a customized HTTP handler fetching 4500+ courses an hour.
- Designed tree serialization algorithms optimizing the website's PageSpeed **from 30 secs to a consistent 0.8 second**.

### Python to Java for Android Development | [MLH Fellowship](#) Open-Source Contributor

Java, Python, Kafka, Spark

- Wrote helper functions that detect and remove redundant bytecodes and avoid crashes when variables jump addresses.
- Built a deletion state service to store cluster info and transformation history, and support gRPC/HTTP requests.

### Secured P2P File Sharing System | Independent

C++

- Developed a distributed file sharing server that detects malicious attackers while preserving shared file contents.