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EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University

Aug 2021 - May 2025

B.S. in Computer Science (Minor in Machine Learning and Mathematics), GPA: 4.0/4.0

• Courses: Distributed Systems, Intro to Deep Learning (PhD), Intro to Machine Learning (PhD), Web Development, Linear Algebra, Probability, Statistical Inference, Mathematical Finance, Discrete Math, Multivariate Calculus

EXPERIENCE

DiderotMay 2023 – Aug 2023

Software Engineer Intern

- Prompt-tuned GPT-4 model with OpenAI API with data from past semesters to answer student questions interactively
- Proposed a iterative-prefix segmentation algorithm on post threads to standardize data for consistent prompt format
- Constructed a chat-bot tutor backend in Python with CoT and self-verification prompt tuning, embedding space search for few-shot learning, and quality check for adversarial injection, improving system safety and user experience
- Deployed the system on AWS and constructed RESTful API for communications between client interface and the server

Robotics Institute - Carnegie Mellon University

Mar 2023 - Present

Research Assistant with Prof. Jeffrey Ichnowski

- Wrote Python scripts to configure BlenderCloth and generate compatible JSON files to automate experiment process
- Implemented new features for ParticleNeRF and Instant-ngp in Python and C++ to enable real-time 3D particle tracking and multi-frame NeRF query for loss calculation and improved performance of our Metric D-NeRF model

Machine Learning Department - Carnegie Mellon University

Jan 2023 - May 2023

Undergraduate Researcher with Dr. Chirag Nagpal

- Researched on firm bankruptcy prediction using time-to-event analysis with neural networks based on corporate data
- Defined 2 types of event indicator to deal with data censorship and conducted data pre-processing and augmentation
- Designed training and evaluation pipeline with PyTorch and Scikit-Learn and conducted parallel grid search for hyper-parameter tuning on auton survival models, increasing prediction accuracy by over 5.8% than baseline models

Computer Science Department - Carnegie Mellon University

Aug 2022 - Present

Teaching Assistant of 15-210: Parallel and Sequential Data Structures and Algorithms

- Led recitation and office hour for 200+ students on advanced algorithm design & functional programming in SML/C++ Course Tutor of 15-251: Great Ideas in Theoretical Computer Science
- Held weekly meetings with students on topics including Automata Theory, Graph Theory, and Randomized Algorithms

PROJECTS

Distributed Search Engine | **Java :** A large-scale text search engine supporting Boolean, BM25, and Indri retrieval models, with result diversification, query expansion, and SVM classifier to improve search result by 12% more relevant

Concurrent Web Proxy | C++: A full-fledged web proxy that can process HTTP requests to servers and fetch content to clients, with multi-threading for concurrent requests and a dynamic cache to boost HTTP request by 60%

MyTorch© | Python: A custom deep learning library in pure NumPy with out-of-the-box usability, inspired by PyTorch, supporting MLP, CNN, RNN with gated recurrent units, and LSTM, with autodiff for efficient backpropagation

SKILLS

Languages/Libraries: Java, Python, C, C++, SQL, OCaml, shell, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, pandas, Numpy, PyTorch Developer Tools/Frameworks: Git, AWS, Docker, Jupyter, MongoDB, WandB, React, Bootstrap, Node.is, Vim

Honors & Awards

- Dean's List, High Honors
- 272th Place (out of 1400), Kaggle Cornell Birdcall Identification Competition (Machine Learning, Python)
- Global Finalist (National top 3, Gold Medal), International Economics Olympiad (Mathematics, Game Theory)