Crystal (Yirou) Su

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EDUCATION

Columbia University in the City of New York,

New York, NY

B.S. in Computer Science, Minor in Applied Mathematics

Expected May 2026

- **GPA:** 4.00/4.00
- Honors and Awards: Dean's List (all semesters), Interdisciplinary Contest in Modeling (ICM) Final List + MAA Award

EXPERIENCE

Square (Block Inc.)

San Francisco Bay Area, CA

Software Engineer Intern (Internally titled as Data Science Intern due to team alignment)

May 2025 – Aug 2025

- Architected a Looker-based MCP server for AI Agent Goose using asynchronous programming and timeout configuration, exposing the LookML semantic layer to a prompt-engineered RAG natural-language-to-SQL engine via Looker SDK Integration, reducing manual SQL authoring by 90% and automating SAML provision for 10k+ internal users.
- Integrated the internal **full-stack data-platform** tool Bellhop into the **Looker MCP**, leveraging **AI-driven workflows** such as fetch_roles and security_lookup, to enable self-service access checks within the Goose agent, reducing support tickets and resolution time across 10+ internal data teams.
- Built **Prefect-based Python workflows** to automate audits for sprawling Looker instances lacking ownership and cost oversight, identifying expensive queries and validating layers, cutting manual cleanup effort across **200+** objects.

Rebel New York, NY

Software Development Engineer Intern

May 2024 – Aug 2024

- Architected and maintained robust serverless backends with **Python**, **Firebase Functions**, and **Google Cloud**, optimizing for scalability, reliability, and efficient handling of millions of **API requests** in a distributed environment.
- Designed and implemented high-performance RESTful APIs using FastAPI, Firebase Authentication, and rigorous API schema testing with APIFox, reducing response latency and delivering secure data services to frontend and mobile clients.
- Engineered personalized, event-driven push notification infrastructure by integrating **Python**-based **APN**s with Firebase Cloud Messaging, upholding **99.9%** system uptime via **automated QA** workflows and **CI/CD** pipelines.

WebEyeNanjing, JS, ChinaData Engineer InternJul 2023 – Aug 2023

- Designed and implemented serverless ETL pipelines using AWS Glue, Python, and SQL to ingest and model 5 M+ daily records into Amazon Redshift, reducing end-to-end processing time by and cutting pipeline failures by 95%.
- Architected an end-to-end streaming data lake on AWS—**Kinesis Data Firehose** → **S3** → **Redshift**—queried via Lambda **microservices**, enabling **sub-5-minute** refreshes of market-impact metrics and slashing ad-hoc analytics requests.
- Automated data-quality validation and anomaly detection by deploying Spark jobs on AWS EMR (ingesting via Kinesis), storing exceptions in DynamoDB, and triggering Lambda-driven Slack alerts—boosting SLA compliance.

PROJECT

Gardening Diary Web App: https://github.com/SuYirouCrystal/Gardening-App

- Built a responsive **Next.js/React** gardening platform, integrating Firebase for secure authentication and data storage, which allows users to log diary entries, track plant growth, and visualize virtual gardens.
- Designed modular, mobile-responsive UI components using Tailwind CSS, Headless UI, Heroicons, react-icons, mdb-react-ui-kit, and Styled JSX—leveraging React hooks and react-firebase-hooks for scalable state management.

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

- 2025 AIChE: Integrating Ontologies with LLMs for Enhanced Control Systems in Chemical Engineering.
 - Integrated domain ontologies with fine-tuned LLMs to automate control parameter tuning, cutting manual effort by 40%.
- 2025 AIChE: Knowledge-Graph-Powered Interpretable AI for Drug Safety Monitoring.
 - Built scalable knowledge-graph ingestion and GNN anomaly detection for real-time drug safety, cutting false alerts by 30%.
- 2025 CHASM: Seasonality Patterns in 311-Reported Foodborne Illness Cases & ML-Identified Yelp Indicators.
 - Built an NLP classifier seasonality model to detect illness signals in 311 reports and 100K+ Yelp reviews at 92% precision.
- 2024 Data Science Day: Text-Based Indications of Foodborne Illness vs. NYC Health Inspections.
 - Implemented a Python/Flask service mining Yelp reviews for illness cues and correlating them with inspection records.
- 2024 CUSJ: Algorithmic Architecture and Computational Fluid Dynamics.
 - Integrated procedural geometry generation with parallel CFD to optimize airflow, slashing design iterations by 60%.

SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, Java, HTML/CSS, JavaScript, SQL, R, LookML, C/C++, Objective-C, Swift, Kotlin, OCaml **Tools & Framework:** Looker SDK, React & Next.js, FastAPI, Flask, Django, Firebase, AWS, Google Cloud Platform, Prefect, APIFox, Snowflake, Databricks, Git & CI/CD pipelines, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Figma, LLVM, GNU