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EDUCATION

Rutgers University

New Brunswick, NJ

B.S. in Computer Science

Sep. 2020 - May 2024

• Relevant Coursework: Algorithms, Intro to Artificial Intelligence, Intro to Data Science, Principles of Information and Data Management, Software Methodology, Discrete Structures, Data Structures, Physics 1 & 2

Experience

Software Engineer Fellow

July 2024 - Current

HeadStarter AI

New York

- Built and deployed 5 AI projects in 5 weeks using React JS, Next.js, Firebase, following agile methodologies with weekly sprints and incorporated CI/CD practices for iterative deployment
- Participate in weekly sessions with engineers from Google, Y Combinator, Stanford, Amazon and venture-backed startups

Research Extern

June 2023 – Aug. 2023

Rutgers MBS

New Brunswick, NJ

- Researched ways to identify and mitigate evolving cybersecurity threats to Maritime IoT devices, focusing on innovative solutions like the Zero Trust Model.
- Conducted an in-depth analysis of past cyber-attacks on the maritime industry, assessing their impact on operations, finances, and safety.
- Implemented risk assessment models to evaluate potential vulnerabilities and proposed solutions to enhance security measures for maritime operations.
- Presented findings throughout the week with a team of advisors, receiving feedback and iterating on proposed solutions to ensure a successful project outcome.

Projects

Streaming App | Java, XML, SQLite, Android Studio

Summer 2024

- Developed an IPTV streaming application featuring secure user authentication, favorite channels for sub-users, streaming channels, and searching across all categories.
- Implemented custom fetchers and parsers to process M3U playlist data for live TV channels, movies, and TV shows, and integrated RecyclerView with custom adapters to display categorized content.
- Designed the app to support compatibility with Google TV, Amazon Fire TV, and various Android TV devices.

Face and Digit Classification | Python, Machine Learning, Neural Networks

Spring 2024

- Implemented and trained a three-layer neural network from scratch using a ReLU activation function and L2 regularization to classify handwritten digits and detect faces in pre-processed images.
- Created a Perceptron classifier to conduct the same experiment, leveraging a simpler algorithm to provide a baseline for comparison against the neural network.
- Achieved classification accuracies of 81% (digit perceptron), 90% (face perceptron), 83.8% (digit neural network), and 92% (face neural network).
- Developed features based on raw pixel data and additional quadrant-based features for digit images, which optimized perceptron and neural network performance.

Auction Platform | Java, MySQL, Tomcat

Spring 2024

- Developed a comprehensive online auction platform using Java Servlets, MySQL for database management, and Apache Tomcat as the web server.
- Developed background tasks to monitor and process new item listings and bids, ensuring real-time updates and notifications.
- Generated detailed reports and analytics on auction activities for administrative insights.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Java, Python, C, JavaScript, HTML, JSON Frameworks: React, Next.js Node.js, Django, JUnit

Developer Tools: Git, AWS, Google Cloud Platform, Visual Studio, IntelliJ, Eclipse, Android Studio

Libraries: Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, Pygame