Kevin A. Wang

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Education

University of California, Irvine - BS in Computer Science

2014 - June 2018

GPA: 3.5

Relevant Courses: Approximation Algorithms, Graph Algorithms, Computational Geometry, Statistical NLP, Deep Learning, Cryptography/Security, Digital Image Processing

Research Interests

I'm interested in computational game theory: specifically solving large, partially-observable games, both theoretically and practically.

Publications

Stephen McAleer, John Lanier, **Kevin Wang**, Pierre Baldi, Roy Fox. *XDO: A Double Oracle Algorithm for Extensive-Form Games*. In Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS). To appear: December 2021.

Fellowships

CSGrad4US - NSF Fellowship

2021-Present

NSF fellowship for CS graduate school applicants with \$34,000 annual stipend and \$12,000 annual cost-of-education allowance for 3 years. One of 35 students selected in the 2021 cohort.

Work Experience

Shift - Software Engineer

Aug 2018 - Dec 2020

Shift is an online car marketplace startup. I built and maintained the scheduling system using a constraint programming solver, which assigns an employee to each test-drive appointment. I also did full-stack web development for the website with Golang, Typescript, and React.

Square - Software Engineering Intern

Summer 2017

Wrote a full-stack customer-facing Ruby on Rails project for the Caviar food delivery service. Projects that I wrote and owned are in production, used by 1000s of restaurant clients.

Open Source Contributions

DeepMind's OpenSpiel

Jan 2021 - Present

<u>Submitted</u> pull requests; <u>reviewed</u> pull requests; found bugs, <u>filed issues</u>, and contributed to discussions.

EleutherAl's Language Model Evaluation Harness

Jan 2021

<u>Implemented</u> tasks used to evaluate generative natural language models. Used by Microsoft and Nvidia to evaluate their large language model "Megatron-Turing".

Recreational and Competitive Programming

Algorithmic Programming Competitions

2014-present

- ACM ICPC (International Collegiate Programming Contest) SoCal regional 2017: 3rd place out of 105 teams (beating UCLA, Cal Tech, Harvey Mudd)
- IEEEXtreme 2017: 2nd place out of all US teams; 23rd place overall out of 2,121 teams
- IEEEXtreme 2016: **1st** place out of all **US** teams; **59th** place **overall** out of 2,117 teams
- Hackerrank.com contests: 2248 rating (99th percentile of users on the site)
 - Hack the Interview VI (U.S.) 2020: **1st** place out of 703 (won \$500 Amazon gift card)
 - Celebrate Neurodiversity Contest 2021: **2nd** place out of 847 (won \$200 headphones)

Combinatorial Optimization Programming Competitions

- Google Hash Code 2021 - Extended, Kaggle: **7th** place out of 179

Recreational Programming

- Project Euler Problem 726 (Falling Bottles): 126th person to solve
- Advent of Code 2019 82nd on leaderboard out of ~100,000 participants

Personal Technical Projects

Fantasy Basketball Bot - using algorithms + ML to win daily fantasy sports

2016-2018

The program predicts NBA player performance per game, then uses a knapsack algorithm to pick the optimal lineup of players for the day, with the goal of winning money in Daily Fantasy Sports.

Tech: Python libraries: numpy, scikit-learn, keras, pandas

Pluribus (Poker AI) Hand Parser - a script that parses poker games by the AI Pluribus 2019 Pluribus is a poker AI published in a July 2019 *Science* paper. I wrote a program to parse the data logs released by the authors and convert them into a standard form used in the poker community. The output has been downloaded 100,000+ times and used by other poker fans and professionals in Youtube videos, blogs, and courses.

Leadership Experience

Vice President - ACM @ UCI

2015-2018

I organized artificial intelligence games programming competitions and other events for 100+ ACM members, managed the club logistics, and led ICPC competitive programming teams.

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