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Efficient, highly-motivated, hard-working with 3+ years of experience. Capable of adapting to various software development processes and technologies.

## **Professional Experience**

Gavagai AB Stockholm, Sweden

Gavagai AB is a Stockholm based startup which performs big data analytics on large incoming data streams, in real time, using unsupervised machine learning algorithms.

Software Developer

July 2013 - June 2015

- Part of continuous delivery/agile process
- Accomplishments:
  - o Introduced system-wide integration tests using the Arquillian framework
  - Initiated and facilitated system-wide migration of cache implementation
  - o Implemented a scalable solr-indexing scheme to speedup word comparison and retrieval

<u>Intern</u>

August 2012 - June 2013

- Introduced to agile and lean-startup methodologies
- Involved in development of products, core technology and algorithms
- Hired as full time employee after duration of internship
- Accomplishments:
  - Used Google Web Toolkit, Bootstrap and HTML5 to develop the GUI in different portions of the system
  - Involved in development of the RESTful API using the JBOSS RESTEasy framework
  - o Involved in migration of system from JBOSS 5 to JBOSS 7
  - Facilitated integration with Apache Solr as a datastore using the SolrJ library
  - Facilitated integration with Liquibase for database schema refactoring and versioning

**IBM Singapore** 

Intern

Singapore, Singapore

May 2012 - July 2012

Developed a web portal for the Sales and Marketing division of IBM Singapore to display aggregated data from several databases, to replace the existing Excel spreadsheet solution.

- Accomplishments:
  - Aggregated data from several IBM sales databases (DB2, SQL Server) and displayed them
  - Implemented a login system for the portal with different levels of access and corresponding features
  - Developed a bug tracker for the same portal to allow user feedback and feature requests

## Research

#### Scaling up Machine Learning Techniques via Parallelization for Large Data

June 2014 - April 2015

Final Year Dissertation at National University of Singapore.

Formulated and implemented a novel Parallel Support Vector Regression algorithm to ensure scalability of the Support Vector Regression algorithm for large data, through usage of Parallel Computing and Matrix Approximation techniques.

#### **Indoor Navigation Assistance for Visually Impaired**

June 2014 - November 2014

Designed and developed a wearable belt equipped with ultrasonic sensors, Arduino and RaspberryPi to assist with obstacle detection and indoor navigation for the visually impaired.

## Education

### **National University of Singapore**

Singapore, Singapore

• Undergraduate Studies, Bachelor's Degree in Engineering.

August 2010 - June 2015

- Major Computer Engineering; Specialization in Large-Scale Computing.
- Minor in Technopreneurship.
- Graduated with First Class Degree with Honours (Highest Distinction); CAP: 4.68/5.00
- Achievements:
  - o Recipient of Dean's List Award (Top 5% of the cohort) Academic Year 2011/12 Semester 1
  - o Recipient of Dean's List Award (Top 5% of the cohort) Academic Year 2011/12 Semester 2
  - o Recipient of Dean's List Award (Top 5% of the cohort) Academic Year 2013/14 Semester 2
  - o Recipient of Dean's List Award (Top 5% of the cohort) Academic Year 2014/15 Semester 1
  - Recipient of Dean's List Award (Top 5% of the cohort) Academic Year 2014/15 Semester 2
  - Recipient of NUS Overseas Colleges (NOC) scholarship
  - o Secretary, NUS Sathya Sai Society Community Service

#### **KTH Royal Institute of Technology**

Stockholm, Sweden

• Exchange Studies, Computer Science

August 2012 - June 2013

#### **Stockholm School of Entrepreneurship**

Stockholm, Sweden

• Exchange Studies, Entrepreneurship/Entrepreneurial Studies

August 2012 - June 2013

## **Technical Skills**

- **Programming Languages:** Java, Java Enterprise Edition, C++, C#, C, Python
- Web Development: HTML5, CSS3, Javascript, JSP, ASP, Google Web Toolkit
- Database Technologies: MySQL, PostgreSQL, SQLite, Apache Solr, Redis, Cassandra, ElasticSearch, MongoDB
- Application Development: Android, Windows Phone
- Tools and Frameworks: Subversion, Git, JUnit, TestNG, JBOSS, Liquibase, Jenkins, EhCache, Maven, Selenium, Apache Tomcat, Maven, OpenCL, OpenGL, VHDL (Hardware Description), Shell Scripting, MPI
- Operating Systems: Linux, OSX
- Other: Machine Learning, Parallel Computing, Distributed and Scalable Systems, Computational Linguistics, Computer Networks