EDUCATION

M.S. Computer Science | University of California, Santa Barbara

Expected Jun 2023

Responsible Machine Learning research focusing on Al Safety + Transparency advised by Professors William Yang Wang and Shiyu Chang

B.S. Computer Science | University of California, Santa Barbara

Aug 2019 - Jun 2022

- GPA: 4.00 | Highest Honors | Distinction in the Major
- Programs: College of Engineering Honors, Early Research Scholars, Undergraduate Learning Assistant, Senior Capstone
- Courses: Natural Language Processing, Machine Learning, Data Structures, Algorithms, Linear Algebra, Vector Calculus, Discrete Math

EXPERIENCE

Two Sigma | Research Scientist Intern, Al Core

Jun 2022 - Aug 2022

Explore the influence of noisy features to predict market impact by leveraging modern deep neural network technologies.

Benchling | Software Engineering Intern, Machine Learning & Insights

Apr 2022 - Jun 2022

- Implemented a non-linear regression outlier detection algorithm using significance tests on residuals in a robust regression fitting.
- Engineered a full-stack solution (React/Typescript/Python) to enable users to detect and exclude outliers automatically from their data.

Amazon | Software Engineering Intern, AWS Workspaces

Jun 2021 - Sep 2021

- Scoped, designed, and implemented an internal billing auditing API to provide customers insightful data usage metrics.
- Leveraged AWS microservices (i.e., DynamoDB, Lambda, API Gateway) to improve existing Java-based billing service.

Procore | Software Engineering Intern, Business Systems Engineering

Mar 2020 - Mar 2021

- Delivered solutions to support new pricing models for a React on Rails pricing calculator used by 500+ sales reps during negotiations.
- Devised Python scripts to automate data integrations impacting 10K+ records between business systems such as Zuora and Salesforce.

PROJECTS

Alexmeicooking | alexmeicooking.com

Jun 2017 - present

- Found a modern React/Flask/Postgres cooking site featuring over 100+ recipes to promote healthy home cooking.
- Integrate with the Edamam API for automatic comprehensive nutrition fact analysis for all newly posted recipes.
- Achieve 85,000+ monthly social media engagement and 900+ active users from over 40 countries.

Stock Value Calculator | github.com/alexmeigz/StockValueCalculator

Nov 2019 - Feb 2020

- Developed Python Selenium-based Javascript web scraper to gather and clean financial statistics for data analysis.
- Programmed financial calculator utilizing the Pandas module to derive stocks' intrinsic value from company finances.

LEADERSHIP

CodePath at UCSB | Co-Founder

Oct 2020 - Jun 2021

- Piloted CodePath at UC Santa Barbara, teaching 16 students iOS design principles and app development with Swift.
- Cultivated students' capstone projects from design to implementation, employing Agile practices for clarity and efficiency.

UCSB Robotics | Software Team Lead

May 2020 - Jun 2021

- Designed 12+ technical workshops to empower members of all majors with foundational software and robotics concepts for success.
- Led 20+ members in small team project development, exploring the intersections of machine learning and robotics.

PUBLICATIONS

Mei et al. Mitigating Covertly Unsafe Text within Natural Language Systems. (in review for EMNLP 2022.)

Mei et al. What Does Al Transparency Really Mean? (in review for JAIR.)

Mei et al. Learning to Prioritize: Precision-Driven Sentence Filtering for Long Text Summarization. LREC 2022. [paper]

AWARDS

Undergraduate Research Excellence Demonstrated excellence in leadership of research projects

Jun 2022

Outstanding Senior Ranked 1st in the graduating class of 2022 UCSB Computer Science

Jun 2022 Mar 2022

Capstone Best Project 1st place team in UCSB's Computer Science Capstone in 2021 - 2022

SKILLS

Programming: Python, C++, Ruby, Java, Javascript, SQL, HTML, CSS

Toolbox: Git, Jupyter, AWS, Huggingface, Pytorch, Tensorflow, Pandas, Matplotlib, Tableau, React, Rails, Flask, Selenium, Postman