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EDUCATION

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

Sep 2021 - Jun 2023

- Specialization in responsible AI (safety, transparency) and natural language generation (reasoning, data augmentation).
- Mentored 8 undergraduate students to submit 2+ research papers on vision and language to leading NLP conferences.

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

Aug 2019 - Jun 2022

• GPA: 4.00 | Highest Honors | Distinction in the Major | College of Engineering Honors

EXPERIENCE

Two Sigma | Al Research Scientist, Al Core

Jul 2023 - present

Create diverse financial solutions by utilizing modern deep learning techniques.

Two Sigma | Research Scientist Intern, Al Core

Jun 2022 - Aug 2022

- Explored the influence of noisy financial features to predict the market impact of variable size position changes.
- Applied deep neural network technologies to learn an end-to-end, systematic, real-valued predictor.

Benchling | Software Engineering Intern, Machine Learning & Insights

Apr 2022 - Jun 2022

- Implemented a non-linear regression outlier detection algorithm by testing for statistical significance on robust residuals.
- Engineered a full-stack solution (React/Typescript/Python) to enable users to detect and exclude outliers 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 with 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.
- Devised Python scripts to automate data integrations impacting 10K+ records between business systems.

PROJECTS

Alexmeicooking | alexmeicooking.com

Jun 2017 - present

- Found a React/Flask/Postgres cooking site with 100+ recipes and nutrition analysis to promote healthy home cooking.
- Achieve 100,000+ monthly social media engagements 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.

PUBLICATIONS

Mei et al. Foveate, Attribute, and Rationalize: Towards Safe and Trustworthy Al. ACL 2023. [preprint]

Mei et al. Mitigating Covertly Unsafe Text within Natural Language Systems. EMNLP 2022. [paper]

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

Mei et al. What Does Al Transparency Really Mean? (in review.) [preprint]

Mei et al. ASSERT: Automated Safety Scenario Red Teaming for Evaluating the Robustness of Large Language Models. (in review.)

AWARDS

B.S./M.S. Student of the Year Recognized for passionate, substantial, and impactful contributions to Al research.	Jun 2023
Teaching Assistant of the Year <i>Praised for innovative teaching and quoted to be my advisor's best TA in 15 years.</i>	Jun 2023
University Award of Distinction Awarded for leadership in academic mentorship and promotion of diversity in CS.	Jun 2023
Outstanding Senior Ranked 1st academically among the entire UCSB College of Engineering 2022 graduating class.	Jun 2022
Capstone Best Project Led the 1st place team in UCSB's Computer Science Capstone Series in 2021 - 2022.	Mar 2022

SKILLS

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

Courses: Natural Language Processing, Deep Learning, Computer Vision, Information Retrieval, Data Structures, Algorithms **Toolbox:** Huggingface, Pytorch, Tensorflow, Scikit-Learn, Keras, Pandas, Matplotlib, Jupyter, AWS, Git, Tableau, Flask, React, Rails