

# Agata U. Kargol

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## Skills

Languages

- **Native:** English, Polish
- **Proficient:** Python2, Python3, SQL
- **Past:** Matlab, C, C++, bash, JavaScript

Frameworks Flask, Pyramid, Django, SQLAlchemy, alembic, pytest, pandas, celery

Technologies PyCharm, git (preferred), SVN, mercurial, \*nix, PostgreSQL, SQLAlchemy, RabbitMQ, Redis, Cassandra, Jenkins, ansible, Docker, Kubernetes

## Professional Experience

2015-2017 **Software Development Engineer (Pupil Team)** Zonar Systems, Inc. Seattle, WA

*Rider Verification/Route Board: bus driver/dispatcher-facing solution providing feedback on student location*

- Greenfield project where team owned setup, maintenance, and all work on both infrastructure and software
- Acting technical lead in MVP/Beta phase, with positive feedback both internally and from Beta customer
- Worked with Product Owner to trim scope for an on-time delivery of MVP
- Key member of ongoing effort to move product to the cloud (**Google Cloud Platform, Docker, Kubernetes**)
- Coordinated with Android contracting team on technical prerequisites and feasibility of requested features
- Worked on both RESTful API layer and ETL process to ingest data from internal and external sources
- Routinely served as test project/team for evaluation of new products, technologies, and processes
- First product at Zonar to have >75% test coverage for core components, CI/CD pipeline
- **Python3, flask, SQLAlchemy, Postgres, Angular 1.5, pandas, Jenkins, ansible**

*MyBusVue: a parent-facing web app which provides near-real time bus tracking and student scan information*

- Inherited large legacy codebase developed by 3rd party
- Team re-architected, rebuilt underlying RESTful API and backend services, aiming for stability and testability
- First product at Zonar to have automated functional, unit, performance, and E2E tests
- **Python2** (ported to Python3), **pyramid, SQLAlchemy, JavaScript, Angular 1.5, celery, rabbitMQ, Postgres, Cassandra, Redis**

2011-2015 **Graduate Research Assistant** WUSTL St. Louis, MO

*Archive of Many Outdoor Scenes (AMOS) Development*

- Worked AMOS, the world's largest archive of outdoor webcams, which contains over 500 million images
- Built and managed AMOS crowdsourced tasks with Amazon Mechanical Turk
- Developed backend features and optimizations as part of a team
- **Django, Python2, JavaScript, Matlab, AWS Mechanical Turk**

*Pedestrian Detection in Webcam Imagery for Public Health Applications*

- Explored use of existing machine learning tools and algorithms for pedestrian detection in webcams
- Improved detection algorithms through background subtraction and shadow detection methods

*Point-and-click Object Manipulation Interface for PR2 Robot*

- Developed point-and-click interface for object manipulation for Willow Garage's PR2 robot to allow the PR2 to act a surrogate for a paraplegic user
- Learned about robot functionality and limitations, interface design based on user requirements, and the mathematical concepts of robot visual processing
- **ROS, Python, C++, Qt framework, OpenCV**

## Education

May 2015 **Master of Science in Computer Science** NSF Graduate Research Fellow  
Washington University in St. Louis (WUSTL), St. Louis, MO

**Select Coursework:** Mobile Robotics, Computer Vision, Machine Learning

May 2011 **Bachelor of Science in Computer Science** cum laude  
University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

**Minors:** Mathematics, Computer-Based Honors Program, Telecommunication and Film

## Select Publications

- [1] A. Hipp, D. Adlakha, R. Gernes, A. Kargol, and R. Pless, "Learning from outdoor webcams: Surveillance of physical activity across environments", in *Workshop of Big Data and Urban Informatics*, 2014.
- [2] A. Hipp, D. Adlakha, R. Gernes, A. U. Kargol, and R. Pless, "Do You See What I See: Crowdsource annotation of captured scenes", in *SenseCam*, 2013.