Albert Shi Zhu

Education

Rice University Houston, TX

B.S. in Computer Science, Mathematics; Minor in Data Science; 3.98/4.0 GPA

May 2026

Coursework († graduate-level): Machine Learning†; Tools and Models for Data Science†; ML Optimization†; Algorithms; Concurrent Program Design; Computer Systems; Probability and Statistics; Stochastic Models.

Experience

Enuit LLC — Pandas, C#, React, Docker, Microsoft SQL Server

Houston, TX

Quantitative Developer Intern

May 2024-Present

Designed and implemented liquified natural gas shipment scheduler using mixed integer programming model, improving performance by over 200%. Performed data preprocessing and cleaning with Pandas. Implemented REST API for

OptimaLab — *NumPy*

Houston, TX

Undergraduate Researcher

May 2023-Present

 Conducted research in machine learning optimization; specifically investigated novel methods of solving large-scale linear systems distributively. Implemented algorithms based on feature subsampling; experiments varying hyperparameters and step-size schemes achieved a mean-squared error below 0.001.

RiceApps — React

Houston, TX

Software Engineer Intern

May 2023-Aug 2023

 Built a marketplace web app with MERN stack as part of a 9-person team; development followed scrum-sprint agile methodology. Implemented landing/home pages and site routing using React Router and Material UI libraries.

Rice University

Houston, TX

Teaching Assistant

Jan 2024-Present

Held twice-a-week office hours; graded assignments and exams for classes with over 300 students (linear algebra, intro and advanced algorithms, statistics). Met with professors to improve class materials and teaching strategies.

Jane Street Capital — Python

New York, NY

First-Year Trading and Technology Program Participant

Mar 2023

- One of 94 invitees to freshman education program; learned about fair value estimation and market making.
- Designed and implemented automated trading bot for Electronic Trading Competition, ultimately achieving the highest PnL of the field across 60+ simulated market rounds.

Projects

Concurrent Web Proxy — *C*

Apr 2024

- Designed and implemented a high-performance web proxy for tracking HTTP/1.0 and HTTP/1.1 GET requests.
- Utilized producer-consumer model to implement efficient concurrency capable of simultaneously handling over 100 client HTTP requests. Thread synchronization was achieved using POSIX mutex and condition variables.

Deep Learning Novel Classifier — TensorFlow, NumPy, AWS

Apr 2024

 Implemented deep learning architectures (CNN, RNN with and without time warping, MLP) from scratch and benchmarked their performances on classifying lines of text from three novels. RNN with time warping achieved highest test accuracy of 91% on random sample of 3000 lines.

Skills

Languages: Python, Java, LaTeX, C, C++, C#, SQL, HTML/CSS, JavaScript/TypeScript, Bash/Unix Shell **Technologies:** Git, React, Pandas, Scikit-Learn, TensorFlow, Docker, Apache Hadoop, Apache Spark, Microsoft SQL Server, AWS (EC2), Frontend Development, Backend Development, Machine Learning, REST APIs, .NET framework

Awards

Rice Datathon, Best Visualization Award 3x AIME Qualifier

Feb 2023

Mar 2019, 2021, 2022

Hewlett-Packard CodeWars Competition, 3rd Place, Advanced Division

Mar 2020