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Education

The University of Iowa | Iowa City, IA

Anticipated May 2024

Master of Electrical and Computer Engineering (M.S)

The University of Iowa | Iowa City, IA

Aug 2019-May 2023

Bachelor of Computer Science and Engineering (B.S.E)

Technical Experience

University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Aug 2023-Present

Graduate Research Assistant

- Played a key role in developing machine learning models using Random Forest and SVM, achieving 80% accuracy in predicting hearing loss gene mutations.
- Refined data preprocessing techniques and addressed class imbalance to enhance model performance.

AMD, Fort Collins, CO

May 2023-Aug 2023

Software Engineer Intern

- Orchestrated the unification of three distinct apps into a single interface, resulting in a 60% increase in work efficiency.
- Collaboratively designed and deployed debugging tools across cross-functional teams, streamlining debugging processes.

John Deere, Moline, IL

May 2022-Aug 2022

Software Engineer Intern

- Spearheaded the implementation of robust Kubernetes security measures, fortifying the infrastructure and enhancing system resilience.
- Innovatively employed Rego code to optimize security operations, achieving a 50% surge in efficiency.

Collins Aerospace, Cedar Rapids, IA

May 2020-Dec 2021

Software Engineer Co-op/Intern

- Developed analytical tools that enhanced avionic program accuracy and increased error scanning efficiency by 98%.
- Led a strategic initiative to consolidate five disparate tools into a single platform, reducing work time by 92%.

Leadership & Teaching Experience

University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Aug 2021-May 2023

Teaching Assistant

- Educated 600+ students in C++ and Java, significantly elevating their grasp of software design.
- Achieved a 90%+ positive feedback rate, showcasing communication skills vital for client-facing roles.

Ulowa Hyperloop Club, Iowa City, IA

Aug 2020-Dec 2022

Executive Board/Systems Lead

- Managed a 15-member team in the SpaceX Hyperloop challenge, showcasing technical and strategic leadership.
- Garnered \$5,000 in project funding, emphasizing skills in resource mobilization and stakeholder collaboration.

Business Experience

BRDBOX, Iowa City, IA

Jul 2022-May 2023

Founder and CEO

- Successfully initiated a startup, acquiring a comprehensive grasp of end-to-end business operations.
- Excelled in supplier negotiations and customer relations, boosting supply chain efficiency and client satisfaction.

Projects

Omnilense

- Built a social media app with React Native and Firebase, featuring rapid 1-second facial recognition.
- Awarded "Best Senior Engineering Project" at the Iowa College of Engineering, outperforming 30 other teams.

DeSollarFitness

- Rapidly developed a feature-rich fitness app in two weeks, incorporating real-time progress tracking.
- Incorporated a smart goal-setting module that dynamically tailors workout plans, boosting user engagement.

Skills

- Technical: Python, Java, C++, JS, SQL, React, React Native, Flask, MySQL, Firebase
- DevOps & Version Control: Kubernetes, Docker, CI/CD, Git
- Specialized Technology: Machine Learning, OpenCV, Scikit-Learn, Neural Networks
- Management & Soft Skills: Agile, Scrum, Effective Communication, Customer Service