# Benedict McGovern - CV

#### Software Engineer

Currently seeking a rewarding and challenging position in the Software Engineering / Data Engineering field

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#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

# **Software Developer** Ekco Ireland

09/2019 - 05/2021

Ekco are a cloud backup service provider. They specialise in providing a highly supported backup service. I worked on a web portal to manage backups

Achievements/Tasks

- As a full stack software developer on a three-person team. I was highly engaged in all areas of development for the company's software offering. I developed in a python backend, react front end. I was also heavily involved in the dev ops for this web application
- I acted as software lead and was in constant communication with various teams in the business. I provided a clear vision in terms of software design and promoted a culture of strong communication within the team
- I created a CI/CD pipeline using GitLab, Docker and automated testing. This helped the company increase code release frequency hugely, code reliability and overall efficiency within the development team

# Software Developer Intern SAP Dublin

01/2018 - 08/2018

Dublin, Ireland

At SAP I was part of the Advanced Analytics team which specialised in engineering software to utilise machine learning to offer business solutions. Achievements/Tasks

- Python was the main language I used on my internship and I gained strong skills in efficient python engineering in key areas such as inheritance, classes and unit testing
- I was placed in a team of over fifteen developers where I was integrated to work on an ongoing project within SAP. I consistently had to co-develop features with other developer and contribute in team meetings. This increased my understanding of what a key team player is
- While at SAP I assisted and developed on a data science project that aimed to make data science analysis easier to business users. I worked with the Apache Spark framework and python's pandas and numpy

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#### **EDUCATION**

# **Computer Science and Software Engineering** Maynooth University

09/2015 - 05/2019

Description

 I completed a four year undergraduate degree in May 2019 with a first class honours grade

- I took classes in mathematics and philosophy in my first two years of my degree

First Class Honours 73.2%

- I undertook a final year project which investigated modern machine learning. I achieved a score of 78%
- I achieved an annual grade of 79.6% in my third year. Also achieved grades well over 80% mark throughout my degree

#### **SKILLS**



## PERSONAL PROJECTS

#### **Evaluating Generative Adversarial Networks for** Timeseries Prediction (2019)

- I completed a thesis for my final year project of my undergraduate degree. The aim was to investigate if generative adversarial networks could be a viable prediction mechanism for the time series problem, predicting bitcoin price.
- I built a model based on market indicators which was able to offer a prediction for price in one hours into the future.
- The project was completed using python with the use of the packages keras, pandas, numpy and matplotlib.

#### Generation Song Lyrics through a Recurrent Neural Network (2018)

- I undertook a music programming project as part of my undergradute degree. I built a web application using a python backend that utilised a model that I trained to predict and generate music lyrics.
- The model was trained on a bank lyric data that aimed to capture the rhyming scheme and structure of various music artists.
- The front end application was built using the Angular 5 framework and the finished project can be seen at the link.

# **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

# **Python Training** SAP

2018

Tasks/Achievements

 I was tasked to give an introduction to python 101 course to my colleges on my team at SAP. I prepared slides and material for the course. Then presented it to twenty plus colleagues over two days.

# CoderDojo

## Maynooth University

2017 - 2018

Tasks/Achievements

 I volunteered at CoderDojo in my time at Maynooth University. I helped young students gain an introduction to programming through the simple language, Scratch.

#### **INTERESTS**

Data Engineering	Running	Fitness
Music Production	Gaming	Travelling