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## WORK EXPERIENCE

### **Centuria, Inc.**

**Remote**

*Application Programmer II*

*Nov, 2023 - Present*

- Developer on multiple front and back-end weather systems of the National Data Buoy Center (NWS/NOAA)

*Application Programmer I*

*Nov, 2022 - Nov, 2023*

- Coordinated with SOFAR Ocean - a partner organization that sails out drifting buoys - to ingest and process their realtime data in WMO code standard, adding hundreds of new datapoints to the network
- Rewrote MATLAB projects into native Java for AWS cloud migration, saving hundreds a year in licensing fees
- Peer-reviewed the full website redesign, correcting dozens of PHP and JS bugs that would have caused crashes
- Wrote a technical document laying out developer best-practices for sanitizing user input

### **College of Computing, Georgia Tech**

**Barcelona, Spain**

*Study Abroad Program and Teaching Assistant*

*May, 2022 - Aug, 2022*

### **CHAI Lab, Georgia Tech Research Institute**

**Remote**

*Graduate Research Assistant*

*Aug, 2021 - Dec, 2021*

- GRA for CHAI - a lab at GTRI that conducts natural language processing tasks for CDC healthcare projects
- Webscraped and parsed hundreds of companies' return-to-work policies with BeautifulSoup and spaCy
- Tracked Covid-19 infections through thousands of doctors' notes using Python, aiding the CDC's health response

### **Assurant, Inc**

**Remote**

*Data Science Intern*

*May, 2021 - Aug, 2021*

- Lead a research initiative to reduce client round-trip times by caching machine learning model decisions, achieving an over 50% speed reduction in client SLA time
- Presented methodology, data visualizations, and statistic conclusions to technical and non-technical VPs
- Documented IBM Fairness 360's efficacy in reducing model biases, motivating a future bias-reduction project

## EDUCATION

### **Georgia Institute of Technology**

**Atlanta, GA**

*MS, Computer Science*

*Dec, 2021*

- GPA: 3.8
- TA for Natural Language Processing

*BS, Computer Science*

*Dec, 2020*

- GPA: 3.9

## PROJECTS

**Culinary Recipe Generation:** Compared quality of recipes generated with a GPT transformer versus custom Keras RNNs

**Video Stabilizer:** Smoothed video motion by translating a novel Linear Program equation into a Python application

**Gait Evolution:** Simulated and recorded the types of locomotion a body evolves through genetic algorithms

## SKILLS

**Programming:** Python (PyTorch, PySpark, Scikit-Learn, TensorFlow, NLTK, Flask), Java, SQL, C, Javascript, Bash, MATLAB

**Technical:** Jupyter, Databricks, Tableau, Docker, Latex, MySQL, MongoDB, Rest API, AWS S3

**World Languages:** English (Native), Portuguese (Native/Spoken), Spanish (Advanced)

**Hobbies/Volunteer:** Reading (SciFi, History), Watch Repair, Homebrewing, Group Facilitator, Volunteer Webmaster