Christopher Fox

Experience

May 2015

Software Engineering Intern, Google, New York, NY.

- Aug 2015

- Natural language understanding for Google Now, Google's virtual assistant.
- Used Python and C++ to prototype and evaluate an improvement to the system.

Aug 2014

Research Assistant, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC.

– May 2015

• Built Wizard-of-Oz data collection interface for spoken dialogue system development using the Unity platform and C#.

May 2014

Software Engineering Intern, Google, New York, NY.

- Aug 2014

- Prototyped an improvement to a tool for Adwords customers using a distributed computing framework
- Built a web-based demo with Python, Javascript, HTML, CSS.

May 2013

Software Engineering Intern, Apple, Cupertino, CA.

- Aug 2013

- Researched, implemented, and tested a load balancing algorithm for the Game Center backend in Java.
- Built a web-based visualization to show estimated improvement under the new system.

Jan 2012

Research Assistant, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC.

- May 2013

- Modified Latent Dirichlet Allocation, a probabilistic model of latent thematic structure in a text corpus, to learn topics with both static and time-varying aspects.
- Used Gibbs sampling to fit a model to the corpus of 32K tech news articles gathered using the Twitter
- Documented the model and the results in my master's thesis (figure showing time-specific words for a "legal" topic).

Sept 2009

Research Assistant, University of Washington, Seattle, WA.

– June 2010

- Built an HTML Canvas-based player to display dynamically generated animations of flow cytometry
- Used Python to produce a KML visualization in Goolge Earth from flow cytometry data.

Education

2013-2015 PhD Computer Science, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC.

Not completed.

- 2012 MS Computer Science, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC.
- 2009 BS Mathematics, BS Economics, University of Washington, Seattle, WA.

Projects

- Route Teaching Game Led the development of a web-based game (screenshot) where one user teaches another to draw a route, using Firebase and Google Maps API.
- Walk Your City iOS App Built a Google App Engine backend supporting geospatial queries for an iOS app, for a group project in a class (video).
- SouffléTutor. Built a voice-controlled guide on iOS for making a soufflé, using the Nuance speech API, Pocketsphinx, and a naive Bayes classifier (video).
- Twitter LSI Built a Python web app using the LSI implementation in Gensim to plot Twitter search results in two dimensions, so that similar tweets cluster visually (screenshot).