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# **FDUCATION**

# UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

B.S. COMPUTER SCIENCE 2015-2018 | GPA: 3.88/4.0 Focus in Big Data and Intelligence Dean's List | James Scholar

# LINKS

Github: dillondavis LinkedIn: dillon-davis

# **COURSEWORK**

### **FUNDAMENTALS**

Introduction to Computer Science Discrete Structures Data Structures Systems Programming Applied Linear Algebra Numerical Methods Algorithms and Models of Computation

#### **ADVANCED**

Database Systems
Introduction to Data Mining
Advanced Data Science
Applied Machine Learning
Artificial Intelligence
PL and Compilers
Computer Vision
CNNs for Visual Recognition

# **SKILLS**

# **PROGRAMMING**

Over 5000 lines: Java • Python Over 1000 lines:

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Familiar:

Javascript • MySQL • iOS • Clojure • HTML/CSS • R

## **DEVOPS/TECH**

UNIX/Bash • Git • SVN • AWS • Jupyter Notebook • NumPy/pandas • Tensorflow • PyTorch • Flask • Cascading • MongoDB • PostGres • Redis • MariaDB • Hadoop • Keras

# **EXPERIENCE**

#### **AIRBNB** MACHINE LEARNING INTERN

May 2018 - Aug 2018 | San Francisco, CA

- Built a custom end to end pipeline for scene verification using computer vision and deep learning techniques combined with out of the box clustering methods.
- Experimented with three different face verification techniques for our task: Siamese Networks, Hadsell Loss, and Triplet Loss, significantly outperformed baseline methods with cluster purity of 78-83%
- Built data pipelines to compute and store image sizes for all listing images at Airbnb which are critical for metrics, experiments, and teams across Airbnb.
- Integrated room classification model on search to reorder listing images by room type.

### **RESEARCH** Undergraduate Researcher | Computer Vision

Sep 2017 - May 2018 | Urbana-Champaign, IL | Professor Svetlana Lazebnik

- Worked on improving object visibility classifiers with domain adaptation/transfer learning by finetuning CNNs on real/synthetic imagery.
- Arun Mallya, Dillon Davis, Svetlana Lazebnik "Piggyback: Adapting a Single Network to Multiple Tasks by Learning to Mask Weights" ECCV 2018

#### **UBER** SOFTWARE ENGINEER INTERN | MAPS DATA

May 2017 - Aug 2017 | Palo Alto, CA

- Designed and implemented a Named Entity Recognition system for US, Mexico, and Canada address parsing using big data and sequence based machine learning techniques and received a return offer.
- Built a data pipeline to extract necessary data and build massive, robust training datasets for my models with custom features using Java's Cascading framework on AWS ElasticMapReduce
- Built Conditional Random Field models and a custom BiLSTM-CRF deep learning model achieving full address accuracies of 93-96% and 98.3-99.1% on heldout data.

#### CLIQ SOFTWARE DEVELOPER INTERN | FULL STACK

May 2016 - Aug 2016 | Chicago, IL

- Worked on new features such as intelligently suggesting friends to invite to Cliq and user analytics tools under the CTO using Flask, Mongo, and Redis.
- Developed an experimental web app for the Cliq mobile app that aggregated top events for users' areas and later ported it to Swift/iOS.
- Developed and prototyped a new feature for to connect groups with events

# **PROJECTS**

### **PUP.AI**

 Built a fine grained image recognition system with deep learning techniques in PyTorch to classify the breed of a dog given an image. Worked on a team to build a REST service and mobile app for users to classify dog images.

# WIKIPEDIA VANDALISM DETECTION

- Research project to detect fraudulent or vandalistic revisions on Wikipedia
- Built a Logistic Regression model with 90% accuracy and helped train and improve a Random Forest to achieve 95% accuracy and 98% recall.

#### PICO CLASSIFICATION LIBRARY

• Implementation of classification algos such as Decision Trees and Random Forest in Python and Naïve Bayes and a basic Neural Network in Clojure