David Pitt

Seeking roles in applied science and MLOps

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EDUCATION

Harvey Mudd College

Claremont, CA

B.S., Math and Computer Science - in-major GPA 3.9

Aug 2019 - May 2023 Ex.

Relevant coursework: Stochastic Processes (graduate-level), Advanced Linear Algebra, Geometry of Big Data, Mathematics of Big Data, Intermediate Probability & Stats, Applied Algebraic Topology, PDEs, Dynamics, Artificial Intelligence, Computability and Logic, Data Structures & Algorithms, Object-Oriented Programming

- Honors and awards: Harvey S. Mudd Scholarship, Dean's list every semester.
- Math 157 head grader: Graded all assignments for upper-division probability theory course.
- CS5 grader/tutor: Graded assignments and held weekly TA sessions for advanced intro computer science course.
- Community involvement: Co-founder of HMC Chess, member of Engineers for a Sustainable World

EXPERIENCE

Groundlight AI

Seattle

Machine Learning Engineer Intern

May 2022 - Aug 2022

- Model tuning: Implemented search strategies from literature for optimizing hyperparameters of ML models in vision pipeline. Designed and developed a model-agnostic cost-sensitive calibration framework. Decreased calibration error in production by 88%.
- o Science: Developed and trained new domain-specific feature extractors using self-supervised learning. Explored a novel method for anomaly detection in video. Refreshed internal techwiki, added mathematical proofs. Led paper-reading journal club meetings, presented NIPS/CVPR papers to an audience of engineers and scientists.
- o DevOps: Automated end-to-end ML model testing workflows in production API.

Inspirit AI

Remote

Instructor May 2022 - present

o Teaching AI: Led nightly sessions of a Python-based AI course for high school students.

Granite Point Capital

Boston

Equity Research Analyst

May 2021 - Aug 2021

- Equity research: Led a team of interns to cover 20+ blockchain/digital currency companies and use fundamental tools to deliver investment theses to management
- Trade analytics package: Independently designed and built a lightweight framework to allow PMs to analyze trade flow using prime broker data logs. Used to investigate quality of deal stock sold by smaller brokers.

Nanotronics Imaging

New York

Junior R&D Associate

Jun 2020 - Aug 2020

- **Image preprocessing**: Implemented a U-net in Tensorflow to correct an artifact of high-res microscopy for use downstream in computer vision pipeline.
- Classical computer vision: Implemented image segmentation/stitching to preprocess another imaging artifact.

Harvey Mudd College

Claremont

Machine Learning Intern

Feb 2020 - May 2020

- ML course: Updated a spring lecture series on machine learning topics in Python for students at the Claremont Colleges.
- Coursera administrator: Designed and oversaw a free Coursera program for students during the early months of the pandemic, with 40% of students enrolling.

Projects

- Graph neural network for EEG data processing: (Work in progress) Researching and developing a graph-attention-based approach that structures EEG signals as dynamic networks. Implementing on a series of public EEG datasets.
- Fractal animator: Designed tools to visualize and animate ultra-high-resolution animations of dynamical system end behavior. Uses parallelization to render and save to disk orders of magnitude faster than previous tools.
- Chaotic Encryption: Designed my own encryption scheme based on chaotic behavior to encode text and image data.
- N-body Simulator: Designed my own numerical integrator to simulate solutions to arbitrary N-body problems with intial conditions.

Tools & Technologies

- Languages: Python, C++, SQL, Bash, Java, Maple
- Frameworks: NumPy, Pandas, scikit-learn, OpenCV, NLTK, Pytorch, Pytorch-Geometric, Tensorflow, Keras, WandB
- Tools: Linux, Git, Docker, GitHub Actions, DVC, MySQL, Neo4j
- Communication: English (native), Mandarin Chinese (business proficient)