Dennis Lustre

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EDUCATION

University of California, Irvine

September 2020 - June 2024

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Specialization in Intelligent Systems

Irvine, CA

- **GPA**: 3.63/4.0 (8x Dean's List)
- Leadership & Involvement: ICS Student Council Projects Committee | Mentor for FUSION
- Courses: Computer Vision, Artificial Intelligence, System Design, Data Structures & Algorithms

EXPERIENCE

Machine Learning Engineer

May 2024 - Present

Boundary Remote Sensing Systems

Remote

- Leading development of an ML pipeline to generate reports with data visualizations tailored to geospatial data, utilizing CUDA and HuggingFace Transformers for inference
- Improved Microsoft LIDA's optimization capabilities by making an open-source contribution enabling 4-bit quantization for LLMs running locally

Software Developer

November 2023 - Present

ICS Student Council - ZotMeal

Irvine, CA

- Led front-end development by designing Figma mockups, creating Android, iOS, and web compatible React Native components, and integrating with the back-end using tRPC
- \bullet Sped up back-end cron services by 50% by parallelizing async operations for AWS Lambda serverless functions
- Slashed setup and teardown times for PostgreSQL integration tests by 30% by adopting Testcontainers to simplify database test suites in Vitest

Software Lead

November 2023 - May 2024

FUSION Engineering Project

Irvine, CA

- Led the development of embedded systems software within a cross-functional team of 11 engineers for a gesture-controlled robotic arm using **Arduino** microcontrollers
- Achieved 1st place and won 2 additional awards at FUSIONCon: Sponsor's Choice and Most Innovative Design

Software Engineer Intern

July 2023 - July 2024

Thaddeus Resource Center

Remote

- Led a website overhaul that reduced operational costs by 78%, optimized site performance using static generation, and secured more valuable internships for the organization: Pitched the project for CEO approval, transitioned from Webflow to Next.js and Firebase, led a team of 6 using Agile and CI/CD methodologies, and deployed as a Docker container to DigitalOcean
- Saved an estimated 3 hours of CI and developer time per week by building a CI/CD pipeline with GitHub Actions, PNPM, and Docker
- $\bullet \ \textbf{Accelerated} \ \textbf{CI} \ \textbf{execution} \ \textbf{times} \ \textbf{by} \ \textbf{50\%} \ \textbf{by} \ \textbf{parallelizing} \ \textbf{and} \ \textbf{caching} \ \textbf{Jest} \ \textbf{and} \ \textbf{Playwright} \ \textbf{E2E} \ \textbf{test} \ \textbf{suites}$

Projects

Geospatial Web Game | TypeScript, Python, Next.js, Tailwind CSS | GitHub

April 2024

- Won 2 awards at Data@UCI's Atlantis Datathon: People's Choice and Best Use of Melissa API
- Developed a full-stack browser game in 24 hours that utilizes a reverse geocoder API to generate geospatial clues for players to guess Orange County cities

NASA Radiation Microscopy Generative AI Model | Python | GitHub

March 2023 - June 2023

- Furthered research on the effects of cosmic radiation on astronauts by developing a Generative Adversarial Network with PyTorch Lightning to generate synthetic images that mimic irradiated cells
- Classified images with 93% accuracy on a large subset of the domain by leveraging ResNet101
- Presented project results to NASA GeneLab scientists after developing the project in Agile sprints

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: C, C++, C#, Python, JavaScript, Golang, Rust, Java, SQL, HTML, CSS Tech: React.js, Node.js, ASP.NET, MySQL, Postman, Cypress, AWS, Azure, Vercel, NoSQL, CUDA, NumPy, pandas Other: Linux (Ubuntu), Visual Studio, Bash Shell Scripting, Powershell, Google Colab, GitLab, Scrum, Jira (Kanban), HTTP, TCP, SDLC, ORM