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EDUCATION

University of Southern California

Computer Science, B.S. + Financial Engineering, M.S.

August 2022 - May 2026

GPA: 3.80

Relevant Coursework: Software Engineering, Artificial Intelligence, Operating Systems, Internetworking, Algorithms, Data Structures, Applied Python, Probability Theory, Multivariable Calculus

Extracurriculars: Business Technology Group, Asian Pacific Cinema Association, Student Symphony Orchestra

PROJECTS

Poker Bot September 2024

- Designed and implemented neural network to predict optimal poker moves based on player hands, table cards, and opponent actions
- Preprocessed and encoded poker data for model training, enabling effective representation of game states
- Trained the model on simulated game data, improving decision-making accuracy by 15% after training on 10,000 simulated hands
- Utilized: Python, Numpy, Tensorflow, Scikit-learn (supervised machine learning)

Options Trading Bot July 2024

- Developed automated bot for trading options contracts using Interactive Brokers Trader Workstation API
- Implemented strategy to buy and sell call options based on **real-time** moving average thresholds using **multithreading** for reduced latency and **error handling** to ensure robust and reliable trading operations
- Tested and validated bot through historical data, increasing profitability by 8% during backtesting
- Utilized: C++, JSON for Modern C++, real-time data processing (algorithmic trading)

StoreIt November 2023

- Led team to develop web app for students to rent storage spaces near USC campus with interactive map using Google Maps API, review system, and seller system to post and manage listings
- Implemented **chat and file upload feature** between customers and sellers using React user interface, Node.js back end, Java servlets with AJAX, and MySQL database to store information
- Held weekly scrum meetings to coordinate strategy, ideate, debug, and run tests for quality assurance
- Utilized: Java, MySQL, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, React, Node.js, Git (full-stack development)

Custom Cache with Dynamic Memory Allocation

November 2023

- Replicated behavior of CPU cache, handling memory traces with FIFO and LRU eviction policies
- Independently implemented malloc, free and realloc functions for improving memory modification efficiency by 15%
- Utilized: C, Linux, Docker (computer architecture)

EXPERIENCE

Course Producer August 2023 - Present

USC Viterbi School of Engineering - Los Angeles, CA

- Lead 7 hours of office hours weekly, teaching 300+ students to master Java, C and x86 assembly programming, resulting in 15-point increase in median assignment grades after 10 weeks
- Analyze data and feedback from assignment and exam grades to implement targeted strategies to address shortcomings in class curriculum with goal of improving student performance and comprehension

Data Engineering Intern

June 2023 - August 2023

Federal Reserve Bank - Chicago, IL

- Scanned and migrated thousands of physical document archives to Federal Reserve's online NED server using Python and MySQL,
 making files searchable by keyword through Federal Reserve's servers and strengthening bank's security and backup systems; received
 recognition from Federal Reserve Board of Governors for completion of project
- Used Python libraries to filter, edit, and send Excel data through Microsoft Exchange, saving legal team over 2000 work-hours in determining which documents in archives had received clearance for declassification or destruction

SKILLS

Code: C/C++, x86 assembly, Python, Java, MySQL, HTML, CSS, JavaScript

Technologies: React, Node is, Git, Pandas, Numpy, Tensorflow, Scikit-learn, Unix, Linux, TCP/IP, Docker

Methodologies: Agile, Scrum, unit testing

Certifications: Akuna Capital University Options 101

Languages: English, Mandarin, Spanish